

Motion to GFWMHA for debate at 2023 AGM

Motion:

To reduce the decision making executive to the following positions:

**President
Vice-President
Treasurer
Secretary
Rep Director
Registrar**

Remaining Positions:

Divisional Directors including U7, U9, U11, U13, U15, U18, as well as Female Director which includes divisions FU9, FU11, FU13, FU15, & FU18 would be a subcommittee of the association. The divisional directors would meet with the Rep Director as their Chair person. The Rep Director would then bring any and all divisional issues to the executive if the issue cannot be resolved by the respective Rep Director.

The Ice Scheduler is a position that already exists in our constitution therefore would be appointed by the Executive as per the constitution.

Rationale:

The executive is simply too large. The positions listed in the motion should be the decision makers for the association. Directors represent their divisions and answer to the Rep Director first. The president or executive as a whole can deal with issues that cannot be resolved at the Rep Director level. This subcommittee can attend executive meetings by invite if needed to present ideas, issues, etc.

The positions listed in the motions mandate is to make decisions that are in the best interest of the association as a whole. They are responsible to plan budgets, season ice allocation, fund raising and the general operation of the association. All divisional issues will still be tabled and represented at the executive level.

Having a large executive makes meeting very difficult. Coordinating so many schedules is difficult and meetings sometimes go on for long hours due to the fact that all divisional issues are being dealt with on their agenda. By separating the divisional directors into their own sub-committee which is already allowed for in our constitution, will allow their group to decide on their priorities and needs which can be summarized and presented at the executive table.

The ice scheduler can be invited to Executive Meetings to present their issues and for the executive to provide information on the ice resources we have available. They would only be present for that agenda item only and would not have a vote. This would be the same as us inviting our Chief Referee to discuss refereeing or our TD Provider to discuss TD Program details, etc. as has been a normal practice for years.

In conclusion, reducing the size of the executive helps them focus on the core mandate of our association, would allow them more time to focus on Constitutional Reviews and changes, and removes the divisional decisions.

Having a Director sub-committee empowers the directors to focus on the core issues in their respective divisions, come to a consensus to ensure consistency in all house and rep league programs, and ultimately will bring a single message to the executive at large to review, debate and vote on.

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