



Field Hockey Canada Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, October 8, 2013

Time: 4:00AM PST, 5:00AM MST, 6:00AM CST, 7:00PM EST, 8:00PM AST, 8:30PM NST

Attendance: Ian Baggott (Chair), John MacMillan, Robin Richardson, Kim Ewasechko, Gord Plottel, Matt Guest, Jeff Sauvé;

Regrets: Ann Doggett, Rhonda Lewis, Thea Culley

1. President, Ian Baggott calls the meeting to order at 4:05 PST. Welcomes all to the conference call.
2. The agenda is presented and reviewed. It is determined there are no conflicts of interest on agenda items reviewed.

Motion: To accept the agenda as presented for the October 8th, 2013 Board Meeting.

Moved: Robin Richardson **Seconded:** John MacMillan **Result:** Carried, unanimously.

3. The minutes of the August 27th, 2013 Board meeting are presented and discussed. There are no additional revisions to be made.

Motion: To accept the minutes for the August 27th, 2013 Board of Directors Meeting.

Moved: Robin Richardson **Seconded:** John MacMillan **Result:** Carried, unanimously.

4. Various topics are presented for discussion as follows:

Human Resources & Financial Management:

It is reported that all full-time staff members now all have contracts in place and the High Performance Manager & Communications and Partner Services Manager roles are currently being interviewed for.

All inventory in Ottawa have been sent to UBC or Red Fern offices. Red Fern will store all financial documents. We are close to a point where we can issue a meaningful financial update for the Board of Directors.

The CHIMP platform was discussed. It was well utilized and a great success for the PanAm Cup experience for our Men's National Team. CHIMP was timely and communicative in transferring funds to the Field Hockey Canada operating account. The CHIMP platform has proven to be an excellent resource, particularly for our athletes who are faced with the prospects of having to pay a levy to compete for Canada.

Partner Relations & Programs:

Meetings have taken place with the new UBC Athletic Director (Ashley Howard) along with Thunderbird Park facilities director, Kavie Toor. With the Athletics Review in place at UBC there is little opportunity to look for a broader partnership at this time. Matt Guest suggests other options that may work for the Men's National Program.

ACTION: Jeff to explore options as home base for MNP.

On November 14, Ian Rutledge and the new High Performance Manager and Jeff Sauvé will be meeting with Own the Podium in Ottawa. The meeting is a review to ensure we are on track and able to retain and potential increase our funding for the second year of a two year funding envelope. The funding is exclusively for the Women's National Program. In a year's time we will be able to apply for new funding for our MNP.

The Canadian Olympic Committee held a Best-In-Class debrief with Field Hockey Canada. The focus is "operational" and the intention is not to review Field Hockey Canada specifically, but rather the NSF sector as a whole. The findings will be shared at the COC Leadership Congress in November.

Observations on the 2013 Women's Pan Am Cup and the Pan Am Hockey Federation Congress are discussed including the strong Canadian delegation at the Congress. Sue Neil was a special

guest of outgoing President, Tony von Ondarza who after 27 years in the position, stepped down. Alberto “Coco” Budeisky of Argentina was elected as his replacement as PAHF President. There is a great deal of respect for Sue, Yan Huckendubler (Chair of the Communications Committee), Mary Cicinelli (PAHF and FIH Board Member) and Derek Sandison (Honourary Treasurer). Additionally, Ann Doggett of the Board joined for her first Congress and was successful in getting on the influential Competitions Committee. Additionally, Canada had three umpires earning appointments in pivotal fixtures (Meghan McLennan, Megan Robertson and Lelia Sacré) and Paula Parkes served in the capacity as Tournament Technical Director. On the field, the bronze medal victory over Chile was a tremendous highlight and provided validation for the athletes and team management on all recent efforts and strategic direction.

Canadian Interuniversity Sport is discussed. The CIS is a league Field Hockey Canada is involved financially and with player identification. The CIS, with the support of Field Hockey Canada is hosting their Women’s National Championship from October 31 to November 3 at the University of Victoria. We will be speaking at their banquet and engaged in a round- table discussion.

The Junior Men’s World Cup campaign, Richmond Olympic Oval and the UVIC COE topics are discussed by a CEO update.

The meetings in October with the Provincial Organizations are planned. Sport Canada is providing support in forms of a meeting facilitator for the Coaching Pathway and Competition Structure conversations. Gordon Plottel will lead the governance update and discussion.

5. The next Board Meeting is set for Tuesday, December 9, 2013. The meeting for October 8, 2013 is adjourned at 6:16PM.

Motion:	To adjourn the meeting.				
Moved:	Gord Plottel	Seconded:	Robin Richardson	Result:	Carried, unanimously.