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**To:** HNS Board of Directors (1 Vote ea. per HNS By-Law 11.1)  
HNS Registered Junior Leagues (3 Votes, 1 per league as per HNS By-Law 11.1)  
HNSMC (5 Votes as per By-law 11.1)  
HNSFC (1 Vote as per HNS By-Law 11.1)  
Elite Hockey (3 votes U18 Major, U16AAA and U15 Major as per By-Law 11.1)

**From:** Michael Field, Executive Director

**CC:** Jamie Ferguson, SNS (non-voting)                      HNS Life Members (non-voting)  
HNS Staff (non-voting)  
AUS & Teams (non-voting)  
HNS Corporate Partners (non-voting)  
Jonathan Goldblum, Chair Board Hockey Canada (non-voting)  
Katherine Henderson, CEO, Hockey Canada (non-voting)  
Stephen Gallant, SSNS (non-voting)

**Date:** March 19, 2025

**Re:** 2025 HNS AGM First Notice

Hockey Nova Scotia will host its Annual General Meeting (AGM) from May 2-3, 2025, at Delta Hotels by Marriott Dartmouth in Dartmouth (240 Brownlow Avenue).

Join us as we work to grow the game of hockey in our communities, while keeping the game safe and fun for everyone to enjoy.

In the coming days, we will be sending out registration information. As well, further details regarding the AGM agenda can be found on the HNS website ([www.hockeynovascotia.ca](http://www.hockeynovascotia.ca)) in the coming weeks.

Kindest regards,

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**I. Enclosures:**

- 1) Amendments – By-Law Four
- 2) HNS Voting – By-Law Eleven
- 3) Draft Agenda
- 4) Credential Form (Must Have Appropriate endorsements for delegate eligibility per By-Law 11.1)
- 5) List of Candidates from Nomination Committee.

**II. Amendments (per HNS By-Law Four):**

\*As per HNS By-Law 4.2, all submitted Notice of Motion to change HNS By-Laws will be forwarded 30 days prior to the AGM and posted on the HNS website.

**BY-LAW FOUR – AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS**

4.2 Notices to amend the By-Laws must be received in writing or by electronic mail by the Association Executive Director 60 days before the Annual General Meeting. The Executive Director shall communicate by electronic mail and posting on the Hockey Nova Scotia web site all such proposed amendments to each member thirty (30) days before the Annual General Meeting.

**III. Voting (per HNS By-Law Eleven):**

**BY-LAW ELEVEN – VOTING**

At the Annual General Meeting, Semi-Annual Meeting and Special or General Meetings of Hockey Nova Scotia, the following shall be entitled to one (1) vote each. A member of the Board of Directors who is also an Officer is entitled to only one vote.

- Officers of Hockey Nova Scotia
- Board of Directors of Hockey Nova Scotia
- Junior Council Official Delegates three (3) in addition to the Chair (to be the President or Designate of each of the three (3) Junior Leagues, one (1) vote per League)
- Female Council one (1) in addition to the Chair (to be determined by Female Council)
- Minor Council Official Delegates five (5) in addition to the Chair (to be determined by Minor Council)
- Elite Hockey three (3) votes, U18 Major, U16AAA and U15 Major one (1) vote for each league (to be the President or Designate of each league)



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- 11.2 Any delegate holding a credential signed by the President and Secretary of the registered league or team shall be considered the legal representative of that league or team, but in any case, a delegate cannot represent more than one (1) league or team. All credentials for registered leagues or teams must also be signed by the Chair of the Council or designate.
- 11.3 At all meetings of Hockey Nova Scotia or of its Committees, voting shall be by a show of hands, unless otherwise decided.
- 11.4 For the Board of Directors' meetings only, the President may, of his own volition, order a mail or fax vote be taken by the Executive Director.
- 11.5 No proxy vote will be accepted.

## 2025 AGENDA

**Friday, May 2, 2025 HNS AGM Weekend** (MHA, FHA Presidents and Executive, Elite Leagues, HNS Council, Board, guests)

<b>5:30 PM</b>	5:30-6:00 PM	<b>Registration</b>
<b>6:00-9:30 PM</b>	6:00-6:15 PM	<b>Welcome / Opening Statements</b>
	6:15-7:45 PM	<b>CWIS - Retaining Girls in Sport and Physical Activity Workshop</b>
	7:45-8:00 PM	<b>Break</b>
	8:00-9:00 PM	<b>HA Presidents Meeting</b>
	9:00-9:30 PM	<b>Wrap-Up</b>
	9:30-12:00 PM	<b>HNS Social</b> (Pizza and Refreshments)

**Saturday, May 3, 2025**

**HNS AGM Weekend** (MHA, FHA Presidents and Executive, Elite Leagues, HNS Councils and Board)



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<b>8:30 AM-12:00 PM</b>	8:30-10:30 AM	<b>Minor Congress and Female Congress</b>
	10:30-11:00 AM	<b>Break</b>
	11 AM-12 PM	<b>HNS AGM</b> (voting delegates as per By-Law 11)



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**Nominating Committee Slate of Candidates:** The nominating committee as of Wednesday, March 19, 2025, has received the following candidates for elected and appointed positions.

**Election of Officers 2025 – 2027**

The following HNS Board members shall be elected at the respective Annual Meeting/Congress of their Council:

<b>Elected Positions</b>	<b>Term</b>	<b>Slate</b>
President	2 Years	Brad MacKinley
Vice President Hockey Operations	2 Years	Scott Kennedy
Chair of Minor	2 Years	Marc Blinn
Chair of Female	2 Years	Leijsa Wilton

**Appointment of Officers 2025 – 2027**

The following HNS Board positions shall be appointed by the Board of Directors of HNS in May after an open solicitation for candidates:

<b>Appointed Positions</b>	<b>Term</b>	<b>Slate</b>
Chair of EDI	2 Years	Dean Smith



### Hockey Nova Scotia Minor Council Congress

**Nominating Committee Slate of Candidates:** The nominating committee as of March 19, 2025 has received the following candidates for elected and appointed positions.

14) Conference Coordinators must be a resident of the Conference he/she coordinates and be elected by the members of the Conference at the Council's annual meeting. Nominations for the position of Conference Coordinator must be received by the HNS Executive Director or designate no later than thirty (30) days prior to the HNS Minor Council Annual Meeting.

Elected Positions	Term	Slate
South Conference Coordinator	2 Years	Jimmy Mosher

**\*Candidates for Conference Coordinator may be nominated up to 30 days prior to the AGM (April 3, 2025).**

### Hockey Nova Scotia Female Council Congress

**Nominating Committee Slate of Candidates:** The nominating committee as of March 19, 2025 has received the following candidates for elected and appointed positions.

10c) Conference Coordinators must be a resident of the conference they coordinate and be elected by the members of the conference at the Female Council's annual meeting. Nominations for the position of Conference Coordinator must be received by the Hockey Nova Scotia Executive Director or designate no later than thirty (30) days prior to the Hockey Nova Scotia AGM Female Congress..

Elected Positions	Term	Slate
North Conference Coordinator	2 Years	

- Candidates for Conference Coordinator may be nominated up to 30 days prior to the AGM (April 3, 2025).

Full details on all [positions and requirements can be found here](#).