

# HOCKEY IRELAND

Affiliated to the International Hockey Federation and to the European Hockey Federation

A meeting of the Board of Directors of Irish Hockey CLG (“Hockey Ireland”) was held in person at the Clayton Hotel, Liffey Valley on 11<sup>th</sup> June 2023.

**Board Members In Attendance:** Trevor Watkins “Chairperson”, Dan McCormack “Finance Officer”, Aisling Keogh, William Pollock, Iain Kelly, Rachel Barry, Niamh Byrne, Ursula Kilkelly, Claire Savage.

**Staff in Attendance:** Pamela Bastable (Company Secretary), Celine Furey (Finance Director), Matt McKerrow (Interim Chief Executive Officer)

The following is a summary of the main items of note arising from the meeting:

1. Trevor Watkins was appointed as Chair of the Board
2. The Board received a comprehensive update from Finance Director Celine Furey including an updated 2023 Budget, and cash flow analysis.
3. The Board discussed and confirmed the following board committees for the coming 2023-24 year (to 2024 AGM):
  1. Finance, Risk & Audit
  2. Governance
  3. High Performance
  4. Human Resources
  5. Participation & Development
  6. Welfare (Safeguarding). Ursula Kilkelly to fulfil the role of Board Safeguarding Champion.
4. The Board discussed the following committees to be restructured for the coming 2023-24 year (to 2024 AGM):
  1. Disciplinary Panel
  2. Competition
5. The Board agreed the following board committees to be dormant for the coming 2023-24 year (to 2024 AGM):
  1. Marketing & Communication
  2. Coaching
  3. Masters
6. The Board discussed and confirmed the following working groups:
  1. Rules & Disciplinary
  2. Transgender Working Group
  3. Membership working group to review the membership journey via Gameday
7. An update on the CEO Recruitment process was provided. A CEO appointment is expected to be announced before the end of June 2023.
8. It was agreed that the EY Hockey League 2 would be restructured, and games will begin on February 3<sup>rd</sup> 2024 and will run weekly for 8 ‘league’ rounds (not including the weekend of St Patricks weekend and the Easter weekend), with a Quarter-Finals weekend scheduled for April 13<sup>th</sup> and finals scheduled for April 20<sup>th</sup>.
9. The 2023/2024 competitions calendar was approved by the Board.
10. The Board received a CEO update report from Interim CEO Matt McKerrow.

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Following the Board Meeting, a three-hour governance training session was held from facilitated by Rea Walshe from Carmichael Ireland. Provincial Chairs were invited to attend.

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**Attending Provincial Chairs:** David Curran (Leinster), George Wilson (Ulster)

**Apologies:** received from the Munster Branch