

New Board Member Questionnaire

Name	Kevin Kelln
Email	
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Division(s) of your child(ren) for the upcoming 2025-26 season	U13
Have you served on the Board previously?	No
Position you are currently interested in:	Director at Large (2 year term)

Why do you want to join the Board of Directors?

I would like an opportunity to contribute my time to our hockey association in another context besides coaching. I have been involved with the RMMHA since 2020 and for full transparency I learned how to skate alongside all of the U7 players and received my laces along with all of the players as we transitioned from shuffling to skating. I never had the opportunity to be involved with sports growing up as a kid but many of my closest friends were deeply involved in sports and continued to be involved through coaching and management of associations. These friends were the same friends that roped me into coaching hockey as well as baseball which to this day has become the most rewarding part of my life. I recently had the opportunity to meet with Jonathan Goldbloom the chair of Hockey Canada during the completion of my MBA and I had an epiphany, that joining our board of directors could be another way for me to give back to our hockey community that has given me so much.

What do you hope to achieve while sitting on the Board?

I hope to enhance the positive and collaborative culture of our association through continued strategic initiatives while supporting community projects and infrastructure upgrades that will enhance our association and player's development.

What makes a great Board member?

A great board member can be characterized by having a passion for our organizations mission with commitment to attending meetings to enable maximization of their contribution to the board. Maintaining a willingness to learn and serve while also maintaining the boards and their own personal integrity with confidentiality is also key to being successful as a board member.

How many hours can you commit to the Board of Directors?

Up to 10 hours a week

Previous RMMHA Volunteering

Coach

Other relevant skills, talents, expertise and/or experience:

In my professional career I am currently a senior leader in management on the waterfront that is charged with long term strategic planning, Capex and Opex budget creation with supporting business cases, and

LR strategy and mitigation for Canada's largest terminal operator. I also sit on a committee that steers the waterfront industry strategy in technology, labor relations, training, union negotiations and infrastructure. I have a reputation in all three waterfront union locals for being able to move long standing disputes forward after identifying all stakeholders' positions to achieve the best outcome possible in the interest of all parties. I was hired into management originally to calm a very turbulent scenario and bring an automated rail yard online in a heavily unionized environment. The team I assembled and company structure I put in place enabled the successful implementation of automation beyond projected targets with full union partnership and buy in.

In my personal life I have had the privilege of coaching baseball and hockey with previous RMMHA and RMMBA commissioners and presidents many of whom have taken their turn to support our sports associations and I have heard of many of the challenges they had to overcome for the associations, and I believe it is my turn to do the same.