



Hockey Manitoba Governance Transition - What This Means for You

As Hockey Manitoba moves into a new governance and operational model, here is what it means in practice for different parts of our hockey community.

For Minor Hockey Associations & Members

What stays the same:

- You continue to deliver hockey in your community
- You continue to support players, coaches, and families
- Your local structure and operations remain unchanged

What improves:

- More consistent policies and decisions across Manitoba
- Clearer communication and support from Hockey Manitoba
- Defined pathways to provide input and feedback

For Council Members

What changes:

- Councils will no longer create or vote on motions or by-laws
- Councils shift to an advisory role

What this means:

- You continue to represent your area or sector
- You provide input, identify issues, and help shape direction
- You support communication between Hockey Manitoba and Members

Your role remains important — it is now more focused and supported.

For Volunteers

What improves:

- Less time navigating unclear processes
- More support built into the system
- Clearer expectations and responsibilities

This change is designed to reduce pressure — not add to it.

For Those Looking to Get Involved

New opportunities are being created through Operational Committees. These will:

- Focus on specific areas of the game (development, officiating, etc.)
- Provide input into policy and programming
- Include Members from across the province

An Expression of Interest process will be launched to allow Members to participate.

What Happens Next

- Transition year through the 2026–27 season. During the transition year, Councils and Committees will both contribute to shaping the direction of hockey in Manitoba.
- Gradual rollout of committees and new processes
- Ongoing communication and opportunities for input

The Bottom Line

This change is about:

- Clarity — clear roles and decision-making
- Consistency — a similar experience across all regions
- Support — better systems for those who support the game

The goal is simple:

Building an organization that works for its members, partners, and volunteers — with clarity, consistency, and support for all.



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