**ATHLETICS ONTARIO TERMS OF REFERENCE**

**HUMAN RESOURCES AD HOC COMMITTEE**

The Human Resources Committee exists to assist the board in fulfilling its obligations related to human resource and compensation matters including succession planning and associated policies.

**AUTHORITY**

The Committee is an ad hoc committee of the board and shall develop a work plan with specific deliverables and timelines. Once these deliverables are achieved, the Committee will be dissolved. The Committee has the authority to advise the Executive Committee. As such, the Committee will review, research and provide recommends on matters relating to AO Human Resources. As required and with the approval of the Executive Committee, the Committee may consult with independent professional experts to assist with the execution of its duties.

**COMPOSITION**

The Human Resource Committee shall include:

* Chair (elected director & non-Officer)
* two appointed members
* AO Chair (ex-officio)
* Executive Director (ex-officio & non-voting)

The ED shall attend all meetings of the Committee except for portions declared by the Chair to require in-camera deliberations.

**APPOINTMENT**

The board will appoint the Chair of the Committee who will have overall responsibility for the activities of the Committee. The board will select two additional persons to serve on the Committee for a one-year term.

**MANDATE**

The committee shall review, recommend and oversee specific human resources initiatives to:

1. align staff roles and responsibilities with organizational structure, vision, mission and business plan;
2. finalize staff job descriptions including performance management goals;
3. assess the need for additional staff roles;
4. develop compensation guidelines;
5. ensure staff contracts are developed; and
6. ensure HR policies are in place.

A minimum of two committee members should have training and experience in one or more areas directly related to the Committee mandate (finance, human resources, or legal).

**ROLES**

The Committee Chair shall lead meetings, set the meeting schedule, arrange meeting place/call, prepare the agenda and keep (or ensure the keeping of) minutes to record discussions and actions taken at all meetings. In addition, the Chair is responsible for reporting progress, project timelines, or providing written recommendations and reports.

Committee members must participate in discussions and share the workload. Each member’s expertise, whether it is a skill or knowledge, contributes to the Committee’s success. When assigned a task, it becomes each member’s duty to complete the task and report back to the Committee.

**MEETINGS**

The Committee will meet as required or at a minimum, will meet six times per year. Meetings may be held in person or by telephone conference.

Carrying out the work of the Committee effectively requires a commitment to attend all meetings. Any Committee member who is absent, without reasonable excuse as determined by the board, from three consecutive meetings, will be considered to have resigned his/her position and shall be so informed in writing.

**REPORTING**

The Committee will report at every meeting of the board or as required, through its Chair.

**EVALUATION**

The Executive Committee will review the performance of the Committee on an annual basis and these terms of reference as required.