

**FIELD HOCKEY ONTARIO**

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Field Hockey Ontario Board of Directors Expression of Interest Package**Section 1: General Information**

Full Name: Suzanne Robertson

Hometown: Mississauga

Please check one: **Affiliated with a Club** **Non-Affiliate**

If Affiliated with a Club, please list it here: _____

of Years Involved in Field Hockey: 10 years

I have served on FHO's Board before: **YES** **NO**

If yes to above, please list years and role: 4 years as Secretary of the Board

I am a current FHO Member (2021-22): **YES** **NO**

Please list your FHO Number (found on Power-Up): FHO#1342693

Nominated By: Richard Crowell, Non-Affiliate, FHO#1340208

*Note: Nominators/Seconders must be current FHO Members - (Name & Club/Non-Affiliate & FHO Number)

Seconded by: Sara Restani, Halton FHC, FHO#365750

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Section 2: Board Position

The following positions are up for election in 2021:

- 1. Secretary – 2 Year Term (1 Position)**
- 2. Treasurer – 3 Year Term (1 Position)**
- 3. Director-at-Large – 2 Year Term (2 Positions)**
- 4. Director-at-Large – 3 Year Term (2 Positions)**

I am interested in serving on the FHO Board of Directors in the following position (Please include term length): Secretary – 2 year Term





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Section 3: Questions

In 100 words or less, please provide background on your current or prior professional experience relevant to being on the Board of Directors.

As Secretary of the Board for FHO for 4 years (2 x 2yr terms) I have been privileged to be part of a significant change in governance practices. Vital positive change occurs slowly. As secretary I have had an important organizational role for the board. I have a methodical approach to management with a good eye for detail. I work well with the President of FHO to set up all Board meetings and provide necessary information for all meetings so that Directors can make effective decisions.

In 100 words or less, please provide background on any previous Board and/or committee experience.

During my Secondary School teaching career I was Chair of the Family Studies Subject Council for DPCDSB for 8 yrs. I went on to hold the positions of Secretary and Treasurer on the Provincial Subject Council Board for Family Studies for 7 yrs. During this last year I was Chair of the Participation Committee responsible for the review and development of the Membership Structure for FHO and for the development of the Beginner in a Box program for Grassroots players. Member of the 1985 Women's Fund Committee for 4 yrs.



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In 100 words or less, please provide background on any relevant Field Hockey or other sport industry experience.

- Team manager for Mississauga Hurricanes (Girls) Rep Hockey teams - 3 years
- Team manager for FHO Provincial Teams at Nationals – 3 years. This experience provided valuable insight into the High Performance programming with FHO.
- High School Coach and/or manager for many teams during career – volleyball, table tennis, rugby

Please list your skills and competencies related to field hockey or sport. (i.e. Knowledge of member structure within field hockey clubs and FHO, community level field hockey in Ontario, coaching or officiating requirements, volunteer sport-based organizations, Long Term Athlete Development (LTAD), high performance athlete development, etc.).

- Community Umpire Course completion
- Level 1 Technical Official qualifications completion
- Volunteer as tech official for OUA and OFSAA

Please list your skills and competencies related to your business or professional background. (i.e. Specific industry experience, not-for-profit governance, strategic planning, risk management, accounting/financial analysis, previous board/committee experience etc.).

- 4 years on FHO Board as Secretary
- Sport for Life – Not for Profit Governance Course - completed
- Development of FHO Strategic Plan 2021-2026



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Using the 2021-2026 Strategic Plan (and the 5-year targets for success), please outline what you see as being the FHO Board's top 3 priorities over the length of your term and how might you contribute to the achievement of these targets?

1. It is important to support as many opportunities for play at all age groups. This needs to be done with/through partnerships with other clubs/organization. These play events are also necessary for the training, development, and assessment of Coaches and Officials.
2. Continue the good work established through the committees this year. Community involvement through committee work is a very valuable method to help with the work of Field Hockey promotion/organization in ON and to achieve the targets in the Strat Plan. It establishes connections in the community, brings in needed perspectives and broadens the leadership base.
3. We need to continue to work to get our Officials trained and certified. This is vital to the health of any sport and it is a mandate from our Provincial government partners.

Section 4: Declarations

- I hereby confirm that all information submitted in this package is accurate and correct.
- I also confirm that I comply with all the requirements for a Board of Director member and the additional requirements of a Secretary or Treasurer (if apply for one of these positions).
- I understand that the first meeting of the Board of Directors will be on **Monday, December 6, 2021**, and that I must be in attendance.
- I understand that FHO Board members are expected to participate in a two hour Zoom meeting approx. every 6 weeks and devote one hour to preparation for these meetings.
- I understand that two of the year's Board meetings are to be held in-person/face to face.
- I understand that portfolio designations for Directors are reviewed at the start of each year after the AGM and that each portfolio includes committee work. To date these committees are Club Support, Coaching and Officiating, Facilities, High Performance, Participation, Membership, and Grants.



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I understand that I must complete the Sport for Life Effective Board Governance course within one month of the AGM should I be voted in as a member of the FHO Board.

I understand that I must complete a Police Background Check through Sterling Backcheck should I be voted in as a member of the FHO Board.

Signed: Suzanne Robertson Date: Nov. 3/2021

