



Vancouver Minor Hockey Association

Vancouver Minor Hockey Association is currently accepting applications for the contracted position of Director of Hockey. The Director of Hockey will be responsible for developing and implementing a complete hockey program for Vancouver Minor Hockey Association based on the core skills sets and recommendations set forth by Hockey Canada. The program should clearly define player development from Hockey 1 to Midget to establish continuity and direction for our programs that are in line with Hockey Canada's guidelines. The program should include in and off season development and contain a component for players and coaches to pursue excellence. The Director of Hockey will be responsible for bi-monthly program progress reports and for compiling a hard copy of the VMHA hockey program.

In addition to establishing a hockey program, the Director of Hockey will be responsible for coach mentoring, coach evaluation and creating a coach development program through regular coaching clinics. The director of hockey will take on a key role in ensuring that our Initiation Program is properly supported. Other areas of responsibility will include coach and player recruitment, team selection, player evaluations, coach selection, organizing tryouts, articulating our program to our members, and work to resolve hockey related conflicts within VMHA. The Director of Hockey will work closely with Coach Coordinator in this initial contract, ending March 31, 2011, to clearly define the position and responsibilities of Director of Hockey to prepare for a longer term contract. In addition, the Director of Hockey in conjunction with the Coach Coordinator will work with the Executive Board of Vancouver Minor to put forth initiatives and to present reports for approval. The Director of Hockey will work with in a budget under the Coach Coordinator and will be accountable to the Executive Board of Vancouver Minor Hockey Association.

Furthermore, the Director of Hockey is a 35 hour a week contract with the expectation that a large portion of that time, approximately 20 hours a week, being on the ice working with our players and coaches. The contract requires a flexible schedule and weekend work is expected. Compensation will be based on a prorated, competitive yearly salary from the agreed upon start date to March 31, 2011.

The ideal candidate will possess:

- A strong playing and coaching background in hockey
- Excellent communication and organizational skills
- Experience in developing a hockey program
- An extensive background in player development
- Equally adept at working with Initiation players through to our Midget aged players
- A successful coaching background with experience mentoring and developing coaches
- Excellent interpersonal skills and able to mediate conflicts

- Experience public speaking and taking a central role promoting our Association within our membership and in the community
- The ability to create opportunities for our elite athletes beyond the Minor Hockey

Interested applicants please send a resume and cover letter outlining your qualification and hockey history as an application to Dion DeMarco, VMHA Coach Coordinator by July 3, 2010. Only short listed applicants will be contacted.

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