## Mike Bowman – Bio

With a lifelong passion for hockey, Mike has been involved in the sport in various capacities. This includes refereeing in his teens, playing as a youth from house league to rep levels, and continuing up to present day as a player in the GMSHL adult league. He has also actively contributed to the development of young players for over five years through being involved as a coach, trainer, and on ice helper with his children's teams, where he focused on fostering not only skill development but also teamwork and sportsmanship. Mike has volunteered as a director on the WMHA board for the past three seasons, demonstrating a dedication to the operational aspects of the sport at the community level, with an interest in creating a fun, competitive environment where participants can foster the same passion for hockey he has been afforded throughout his lifetime. This multifaceted involvement provides a deep understanding of the challenges and opportunities facing hockey organizations, from player development pathways to the importance of community engagement.

Motivated by a desire to contribute his varied experience to the continued success of hockey, Mike seeks to continue as an active member on the WMHA Board of Directors. With a vision for the organization to continue enhancing player development programs and strengthening community outreach in a responsible and sustainable manner, reflecting a forward-thinking approach aligned with the potential strategic goals of a hockey organization in today's ever changing landscape. Mike is driven by a belief in the positive impact of hockey on individuals and the community and is eager to leverage his leadership and analytical skills to support and participate in the board's objectives