## **Chris Prentice:**

As a parent of two children in the Whalers organization (Max into U11 and Charlie into third year U7) I have an invested interest in their development and experience. Although I'm unable to help out on the ice as much as I'd like to, I can help in other ways and feel like being a valuable contributing member of the board should be it.

With running businesses in the Dartmouth Community for the last 15-20 years I am comfortable with everything from day to day operations to producing & analyzing financial statements.

I also know people, and if being an entrepreneur and parent in sport has taught me anything over the past few years, communication & managing people is 99 percent of the work. I realize there will be some uncomfortable meetings / conversations from time to time but I believe with good communication & staying within the principles below, everyone should have a happy and safe year.

- 1. Kids should be safe
- 2. Kids should be having fun
- 3. Kids should improve in their skills / character
- 4. Zero tolerance or time for abusive behaviour from players, coaches or parents (physical / verbal)

At the end of the day U7 and U9 age groups are meant to develop a love of the sport with development, fun, friendships and healthy competition. If you align with these thoughts, vote for me!