

Siouxland Youth Hockey Association (SYHA)

Minutes – Board of Directors Regular Meeting



Meeting Date/Time: Wednesday, July 15, 2026 at 6:00 pm

Meeting Location: STF Expo Center

Board Member Attendees. Koskovich, Andersen, Nemechek, Pinney, Reel, Cubellotti, Overgaaauw (via speaker phone)

Board Member Absences. Mills

Guests. Cody Echols

Call to Order. President Paul Koskovich called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

June minutes. Motion to approve. Pinney (Second Nemechek). **Motion carries.**

July Special meeting minutes. Motion to approve. Cubellotti (Second Nemechek). **Motion carries.**

June Financial Report. Motion to approve. Reel. (Second Pinney). **Motion carries.**

Between Meetings:

Apparel Store. Angie has been working with General Sports to get the store finalized to send out.

Committee Reports:

Appointing Committee Leads & Members. Tabled. Koskovich sending email seeking interest from board members.

Registration. Registrations are coming in after opening last week.

Try Hockey. Koskovich met with Travis (Musketeers) to organize Floor Hockey for the month of October and is meeting with Salvatore soon to reserve the space. October 4th and 11th requesting Metros' help. The Musketeers are available to help October 18.

Tryouts on Ice. Still working to secure a coach to run tryouts.

Tryouts Inside. Jerseys are ordered.

Tournaments. Nothing to report.

Policy Review. Two members volunteered to help with policy during registration. Nemechek reported another is wishing to head the committee. Pinney is contacting those members who expressed interest.

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Equipment. Mindy Spenner is still interested in running this committee. She's working with Scheels for the equipment discounts that will be sent to members.

Greens. Gill has ordered the documents from Sherwood.

Pancake Day. Donnie needs to know how many teams we'd like to bring in. Andersen mentioned it may be less this year due to no girls.

Fundraising. Security National approached Koskovich and included Junior Musketeers and Metros on the banners they hung around the parking lot.

SafeSport. Koskovich shared Midwest updates from the annual meeting.

Code of Conduct. McCarthy to meet with Cubellotti to share information.

Ice Schedule. Fall beginner league and Metros preseason practices have been scheduled. Merasty is working to schedule Metros preseason home games, as well.

Director of Development. Nothing to report.

Coaching Development. Applications are in for coaches, and team assignments will occur after evaluations. Andersen has been in contact with former Metros who would be interested in coaching and suggested an email to alums letting them know about coaching opportunities. The organization now pays for coaching certification expenses, and Andersen knows of businesses who would sponsor these expenses, as well.

Finance Committee. Nothing to report.

Executive Committee. Nothing to report.

Travel Teams Lead Coordinator. Nothing to report.

Registrar. Nothing to report.

PCDC. Nothing to report.

Public Comment

No public comment.

Old Business

Hotel Compliance Policy. Pinney will check with those interested in helping with policy.

Fundraising Structure. The Metros fundraising structure is in violation of laws passed over the last several years and jeopardizes our tax exempt status as a nonprofit. We have to change the structure, and Koskovich will send an email notifying all Metros families with the updated fundraising directions attached. Pinney will provide.

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Travel Jerseys. Updated pictures were distributed. The board selected the traditional logo and kelly green change. The hockey Joe logo jersey could be sold as a novelty item.

New Business

Metros Budget. The number of players will remain similar to last year. We need the Midwest schedule in order to budget travel expenses. Echols provided numbers for last season and projections for this season. Board members will come prepared to the next meeting to set Metros budget and fees, including for double rostered freshmen.

Season Schedule. Discussion regarding the following:

- Tykes and Mites starting the season earlier will lead to football kids missing even more of the early season practices, especially with Mites being evaluated for travel teams.
- House games - offer for HL players to play with Squirt White during friendlies.
- Friday other half of the ice possibilities or they could schedule games during this time.
- City Learn to Skate dates interfering a few times.
- Everyone agreed to Hallmark and Pinney finalizing based on these considerations.

Crossbar App. TeamSnap cost per year is \$1,400. Some board members have been trying the Crossbar app. Several features seem not as complete. Pinney will work with some members to try more of the features and report back before next meeting. Regardless of the platform, we need to ensure coordinators only use the SYHA account when changing or creating teams.

Mixing Console Motion to approve the purchase of a mixing console for Metros broadcasts. Nemechek (Second Andersen). **Motion carries.** Cubellotti found a less expensive version on Sweetwater Audio online.

Metros Golf Tournament. Echols provided the numbers from the golf tournament that showed a profit of \$7,395.42. This applies to the 2026-2027 season budget. Andersen reported hearing that it went well.

Vacant Board Seat. Motion to approve Colligan filling the vacant board seat, a term with two years remaining. Andersen (Second Koskovich). **Motion carries.** Koskovich will ask Brad to join the board. His Midwest relationships through Code of Conduct were a missing piece to the board.

Rink Safety. Cubellotti has experienced IBP staff not knowing where the AED is located in the rink. Doctors have been donating that to area youth sports programs, so we could possibly look into that. Pinney will discuss with Sean Jackson.

Adjournment. President Paul Koskovich adjourned the meeting at 7:45.