



### **CIHA Board Application – Tyler Schaff**

I was raised in Cambridge from the age of six and currently live here with my family pictured above (wife Kerry, son Walter-age 8, son Sylvester-age 10). Both boys have participated in various Cambridge-Isanti Hockey activities (Learn to Skate to Squirt B1), and have loved the experience. Kerry and I work at St. Francis High School in ISD15. Kerry is the Special Education Instructional Lead and I am a grades 9-12 Physical Science/Earth and Space/Chemistry Teacher. We have worked as teachers at SFHS for the past 20 years.

### **Why do you wish to be part of the CIHA Board?**

I have developed a lifelong passion for teaching, learning, and for the sport of hockey. Volunteering as a Board Member and Coach are valuable roles that allow me to positively give back to the Cambridge-Isanti community. In terms of our Youth Hockey program, I plan to continue to implement a skills based development model that supports the growth of our players at all levels. Teaching, learning, and understanding the game of hockey at a deeper level will help our athletes and families to experience more success. I love the game of hockey and the life skills that it helps to instill in our student athletes. In order for our Association to grow, we need honest and loyal volunteers who wish to dedicate their time for the betterment of the entire Association. I have been lucky enough to experience hockey at many different levels and have learned to view the larger picture of player and Association development. I will do my best to foster a culture of transparency, honesty, and a drive to do what is morally and ethically correct for our Association as a whole!

### **What is your background in hockey, other sports or coaching?**

- Played Varsity hockey, baseball, and football at Cambridge-Isanti High School.
- Played College hockey and baseball at St. John's University.
- Isanti Redbirds Amateur Baseball Team Member (18 seasons)
- Have coached HS Football (3 years – 9<sup>th</sup> Grade), Baseball (10 years – Varsity Assistant/Pitching Coach), and Hockey (17 years – Varsity Assistant for Girls, Head Varsity Girls, and Head Varsity Boys).
- MN High Performance Section 7AA (Head Coach for Multiple Teams for 8 seasons)
- USPHL Junior Hockey Scout for the Minnesota Moose (5 seasons)
- Director of HS/Youth Summer Training Program (13 seasons)
- SFHS Fall and Summer Strength and Conditioning Coach (9 years)
- Experienced Youth Hockey coach at every level as a Head/Assistant Coach.
- Co-Director of Learn to Skate and Learn to Play at SFYHA
- Board Member as ACE Coordinator – 4 years for SFYHA
- Board Member and Hockey Director – 3 years for CIHA
- USA Hockey Education Program – Level 4 Coaching Certificate

### **Have you served on this board or another sports or non-profit organization board?**

- Hockey Director – 3 years for CIHA
- ACE Coordinator – 4 years for SFYHA
- Isanti Redbirds Amateur Baseball Board
- St. Francis Blue Line Club (Boys High School Hockey Booster Club)