

CHC Board of Directors Meeting Minutes Apr 2026, 7:30pm In Person only

CALL TO ORDER 7:35 PM

ROLL CALL

ACCEPT THE MINUTES

REPORTS

President: Dawn Bryson - Several updates for USA Hockey regarding Tier 2/Rec rostering. We have two agreements. One is New England District plus Massachusetts and Connecticut, and the other one is Massachusetts, New York, Connecticut and the Atlantic Amateur Hockey. Which is New Jersey and parts of Pennsylvania. It's an open agreement that we don't need waivers for each player, allowing players to play for teams in neighboring states.

Vice President: Stephanie Secreto - Please remind your families that issues should go to the organization first to see if you guys can resolve the issue. If the issue cannot be resolved at the local level, then it should come to us and the appropriate department here, via the CHC rep or president.

Secretary: Shawn Conner - The Following Programs were vote back into good standing Avon, Ct Chiefs, East Haven, Elite, Enfield, Greenwich Skating Club, Southern and West Hartford.

We will most likely be changing the provider from Zoom to Teams this fall

Treasurer: Michael Federico- I've started the billing for this past season. So I've got the 8U and half of the 10U done. If your team is on that billing, they're on the billing because they were in a bracket. If something happened where they backed out or they didn't play, just inform me and I'll do the legwork to find out the information behind it. But you're not going to get teams are not going to get billed for a team that didn't play in a tournament. So if you paid for a deposit for 10 teams and only nine made the tournament, well, that deposit is going to go to the other nine teams.

I've reconciled through March on all of our bank accounts.

Guest Speakers: None

Tournament Committee: VACANT we have a candidate for the tournament committee. If anybody else would like to, is interested, you can email the executive committee.

Referee in Chief: Kevin Redding – 2026-2027 is not a rules change year. Several of the officiating organizations have a lower age limit. For IHONC, the minimum age is 12. Central and Southern Connecticut groups have a minimum age of 14. This is because assignment opportunities are limited for people under 14. The guidance from USA Hockey is that officials do not officiate age groups at their age and above. They can still register with USA Hockey to work house league games and 8U cross ice games that are assigned internally.

Disabled Hockey: Trevor Doyon – I have a brief report from Trevor. The youth sled program is going forward and they are working on that. Also,, a pucks for autism program is being worked on.

Webmaster: Mike McCullough - we will be opening up declarations for national tournament bound teams. And that would also include 12 U girls basically next week, first week of May and they will close June 15th.

New England District/Team Connecticut: Sarah Fraser – Early this month, both the boys and girls player development camps for the oldest age groups were completed, with Connecticut players representing us very well. Girls selections will not be announced by USA Hockey until late May. Boys selections to national camp were announced at the conclusion of camp. We are sending 18 players to the 2009, 10, and 11 camps combined.

Women's & Girls' Hockey: VACANT we have a few candidates for the position. If anybody else would like to, is interested, you can email the executive committee.

Growth Coordinator: Dave Fritz -

Goalie Development Coordinator: Matt Allatin – we are progressing forward with our high development or high-performance camp. All the kids that were selected to development camp across the ages will be brought back to Quinnipiac for two evenings. We'll be doing this on both the boys' side and the girls' side.

The other thing that we're exploring is trying to make training more available to all of our CHC goalies. Looking to find ways to subsidize some of their clinics and training over the summer.

Marketing: Ken Dixon - working with the new group to create an introduction to the youth sled hockey program for video and social media posts. And also, they've conducted some interviews.

Coaching Education Program: Marisa Berti - coaching development standpoint, we have two coaching education program sessions coming up. The first one is this weekend, May 1st to the 3rd.

And then the next one is in June. I think that weekend of June 20th. I spoke to Larry Rocha and he's thinking that at the end of July, early August, we will start posting coaching clinics. So be on the lookout for that.

Registrar: Mary Turner- July 28th Registrars meeting in West Haven.

very vital information about Tier 1, Tier 2, and rec teams and reiterating to the registrars the new rules.

District Commissioners: Stefanie Mount

We came in at about 40 match penalties for the season. Two self-reported, two upgrades, two downgrades. Coaches are responsible for the roster.

Complaints should be made directly to your own program and then can be escalated to CHC if appropriate.

Eligibility Committee: Mary Turner – Nothing to Report at this time

Safe Sport: Traci Lacoseglio / James Carney – No Report please also contact our local CHC Safe Sport rep before passing on to USA Hockey safesport.

Player Safety Coordinator: **VACANT** - If anyone is interested, please email the Executive Committee.

OLD BUSINESS:

South Kent School – Membership Application 26 Yes 3 No 4 Abstain SKS is now a full voting member of CHC and will serve a year of probation before being possibly eligible for tournament play.

Tryout Committee – Committee has met and created a list of suggestions for consideration by membership. a formal proposal will be forthcoming after discussion by membership

Girls Rule Change – Proposal Pending USA Hockey Allocation Announcement - Allocations Still not provided by USA Hockey

Tier 1/ Girls Rulemaking Change – Mike McCullough

ByLaw Committee update – still under review looking to meet over summer to finalize for membership

NEW BUSINESS:

Election of Officers:

Chuck Wilkerson – There are only one candidate for the position of President and one for Treasurer. No nominations were received from the floor.

President Dawn Bryson – 1 Vote from Chuck Wilkerson as Dawn is unopposed

Treasurer Michael Federico – 1 Vote from Chuck Wilkerson as Michael is unopposed

MOTION TO ADJOURN 8:42

NEXT MEETING: May 25, 2026, 7:00 pm Zoom Only