

Saratoga Youth Hockey Strategic Planning Meeting

July 9th 2026, 5:30pm - 9pm

Saratoga Springs Rec Center

AGENDA

5:15pm Arrive + grab food

5:30pm [Board Meeting](#)

Roll Call: Michael Kelly, John Mulledy, Melissa Fitzpatrick, Matt Vagvolgyi, Tara Garrett, Georgana Hanson, Shane Forguites, Tina Villa Gac, Derek Solek, Eileen Ellis

Virtual: Tim O'Brien

Abset: Maria Bashford, Ashley Underwood

Minutes approved

Finance—Derek updated May and June. Need to figure out Quickbooks.

Governance—Nothing to report

Marketing and Communications-posting on social

Scheduling and Facilities—practice schedule posted. Waiting on city and haven't been able to lay out games. Facilities news: Vernon is down through mid August. One known issue. One mystery. City Council meets later July and need to get bids from new contractor. Water pressure issue.

Need to adjust programming on Vernon. Refunded.

CPDC-Coaching info being collected. Reimbursement form works. In the process of scheduling skills.

Girls-registration is open. Enough for two 8u, 10, 12, teams. Fundraising this summer. Girls try hockey planned.

Tournaments—10u almost full. Will assess using MHR. Working on vendors.

Kickoff-includes ice Friday night to be used for Try Hockey. Older kids start early Saturday and accommodate fall sports for littles.

Fundraising—golf tournament planning is underway. 9/4. Need direction on goals.

Mites—nothing to report

Summer programming—numbers good. The changes met the needs of our membership.

LTP→house going in the right direction.

Meeting closed 6:25

6:00-8:15 pm Strategy Session: 2026-27 Season - Challenges, Opportunities + Needs
*Break @ 7

Purpose of the meeting→Identify areas of opportunity.

Topic 1: Golf Tournament

Bring in \$15k. Discussion on how to collect money. Register foursomes via Crossbar. Breakfast. 10 a.m. start. Light fare after with awards, etc. Need help on course.

MK—we are a non-profit org. We want to bring in more sponsorships so that outside people/businesses are paying to reduce our overall costs. 30 foursomes max. 10 day cancellation/minimum participant policy. Three auction items: NYRA box, NHL Cures Cancer—Rangers vs Bruins, and Bruins vs Rangers

Topic 2: Mites

Reviewed history. Bringing back the old format. Need to adjust travel first. Continue four teams of 13.

Tim—when do we start 8U house games? Need to balance practice groups and teams. Good coaching. Need to manage refs, boards, goalies.

8U Level Director: Long discussion about whether to have one or not. Can't have one.

8:15 - 8:45pm 1,3,5 year plan check-in + refresh

We've met several of the goals. House league, golf tournament, etc.

Discussion Topics: Growth impact, 3rd rink, etc.

Growth—we are maxed out. Squeezed for ice. Practices are ending late. City can't fund a third rink right now.

Agree to get a price for the rendering for a Pavillion (multi-use) on the land next to Vernon. (Locker rooms, parking, etc.) Get multiple quotes. Matt will start looking.

Retention and attraction for upper ages/higher levels.

Next Steps

Is the goal the Pavilion?

Meeting closed. 8:55