

SSYHA Board Meeting Minutes
April 14th, 2026 – 12:00pm
800 Weiss Dr, Conference Room

- I. **Present:** Kerry Shea (KS), Sean Benderly (SB), Dana Patten (DP), Jeff Rodriguez (JR), Jen Spelshaus (JS)(via phone), and Emmett Lacombe (EL). Also present were staff Ryan Dingle (RD), Jake Werner (JW), and Ally Gray (AG). Absent: Ben Weaver (BW)
- II. Call to Order – 12:05 – KS
- III. Approve March Minutes
 - a. Adjustment of '30' to '\$30k' in financials
 - b. DP motions to approve, SB seconds
 - c. Minutes approved
- IV. Public comment, if any, for items not on the agenda.
 - a. Please limit public comment to 3 minutes per person.
- V. Financials - DP
 - a. Income
 - i. Spring League registration – 95% of budget
 - b. Advertising – One sponsor payment outstanding
 - i. Will also be transitioning advertising from Shannon to Ally
 - c. Expenses
 - i. Ice expenses – \$20k
 1. League games, playoff games, practices
 - ii. Team expenses
 1. Championship signs and banners
 2. Mountain Select 19u Girl's banner
 - iii. Future expenses are league reconciliation and Spring League ice
 - iv. Away tournament expenses
 1. Over budget due to 8 teams going to State playoffs
 - d. Investments
 - i. CDs ranging from 3.45% to 3.85%
 1. Most expiring in Sep.
- VI. Director's Report - RD
 - a. Debrief Meetings
 - i. Coaches' meetings completed
 - ii. ATA/goalie/employee meetings - next up
 - b. Board Nominations
 - i. Official/Unofficial nominations – Patty Oakland, Jeff Rodriguez, Jen Spelshaus
 - c. Pete Van De Carr Memorial Update

- i. Goalie Scholarship
- d. 2026-27 Planning
 - i. Teams, Coaches, Structure, Prep – underway
 - ii. Player Transfers
 - iii. 26-27 practice player option
- e. High School Girls Hockey
 - i. Conversations in progress with other High School programs
 - ii. 19u Girls becomes HS Girls
 - 1. Would lead to adding of 14u Girls and elimination of 15u Girls
 - iii. Looking like a possibility for 26-27 but dependent on all programs committing and CHSAA approval
- f. Association Communication
 - i. Spring League Wrap Up 4/15
 - ii. Vote for Board Members 4/27
 - iii. 2026-27 player intentions survey
- g. House Leagues
 - i. Awards - Shared trophy/medals for 8u
- h. WCHL /Mountain Select
 - i. 2025-26 League Reconciliation - 4/28
 - ii. Next WCHL/Mountain Select Call/Meeting: Tuesday, May 5th
- i. Scholarships - DP
 - i. 3 applicants this year, all very qualified
 - ii. Request to increase the budgeted amount to \$4500
 - 1. Request approved
 - iii. Proposal to direct Colorado Gives Day donations to HS scholarships

VII. Events – AG

- a. BCA Game
 - i. Preliminary planning underway
 - ii. Not affected by possible HS Girls program

VIII. Other Business

- a. Year End Survey – JS
 - i. Almost all average scores were up year to year
 - 1. Locker room environment score was only one that went down
 - ii. Feedback areas include improving culture, monitoring parent behavior, developing leadership, and away tournaments
 - iii. Full survey results to be included and shared at the Spring membership meeting
- b. CAHA – KS/RD
 - i. Questions about CAHA as it relates to girls' playoffs situation, girls' divisions, overall communication and organization from CAHA
 - 1. Looking to be more a part of the conversations going forward
- c. Second Sheet – KS

- i. On 3rd draft of fundraising agreement
 - 1. It should be finalized and to city council by May
- ii. All funds to be in by May/June

IX. Next Month's Meeting - KS

- a. May 12th, 5:30pm – Upstairs at rink
- b. Followed by Spring Membership Meeting

X. Adjournment 1:36pm - KS