Board of Directors Meeting

October 2, 2025 / 7:00 PM / Saratoga Springs Recreation Center

AGENDA

1. Roll Call

Michael Kelly, Georgana Hanson, John Mulledy, Kyle MacNaughton, Anne Kauth, Greg Comora, Russ Chatham, Ashley Underwood, Maria Bashford, Shane Forguites, Derek Solek

Virtual: Melissa Fitzpatrick

Absent: Eileen Ellis, Tara Garrett, Tim O'Brien

Meeting called to order: 7:00

- Review + Approve <u>SYHI September Meeting Minutes DRAFT</u> Approved: 7:00
- 3. Reports
 - a. Executive Committee

NYSAHA North Section Spring meeting was 9/28/25. Discussed the new 2025-2026 Code of Conduct policy and how to implement it in our program.

b. Finance

Kyle MacNaughton shared the Finance Committee Report - no concerns. All set with payment for a new digital sign - just need to know where to send the check. Going to start to integrate Square payment.

c. Governance

A lot of research done regarding USA Hockey's Code of Conduct (300+ pages). Discussion of whether or not SYHI By Laws be updated and/or a disciplinary committee be created coming out of a recent incident between a parent and referees.

d. Marketing + Communications

Knightly News published that includes the Alumni spotlight - already working on the next one. SYHI Instagram log-in has been ironed out. Working on the Manager Handbook.

e. Scheduling + Facilities

The schedule is still being finalized before loading into Crossbar. Monitor displays to show locker room assignments, etc. are in the works. Gear sheds are in great shape following the recent gear swap. Saratoga Winter Club Speed Skating looking for help with the snack bar for an all day event November 15th - Saratoga Varsity Hockey may be able to do this.

f. Tournaments

Home tournaments: Mites and 14U are full. 10U one spot left. 12U needs 1 B team and 2 C teams. Request at 14U to look at MHR for a couple teams. Vendors are set. Kona Ice has a coffee truck now. Trying for another tournament meeting around 10/19 or 10/20. In house balloon stand. Locker room banner signs.

g. Girls

Wrap is going great. Need help pushing out Girls Try Hockey event coming up. Planning to go to Plattsburgh tournament in the spring along with our home tournament. Discussed the ability to field a full season team.

h. Coaching + Player Development

Coaching gap at the 12U C team. Wide range of player skill - some kids are practice only. May need to look for extra help. John Bolster to switch over to help Ty Bolster - need to discuss with 10U A coach (Fitzpatrick). Looking for parent volunteers to help out at 12U C. Mites is starting pick up as we prepare for placements.

i. Learn to Play/Learn to Skate

LTP/LTS in good shape. Need to promote more. Georgana created a flyer. Tara reached out to Saratoga Today. Will be a Sign Up Hero for Board Member support during sessions throughout the season. Coach Randall is all set - will be running 6 stations. Pucks will be introduced as early as week 2 or 3.

4. New/Old Business

Idea presented to increase registration fees for tournament fees to relieve some of the fundraising. Ad Hoc committee created "Registration and Tournament Wrap." Committee to present proposal for December. Need to research other associations to see if they bake fees into their registration, etc.

Viral video presented by NYSAHA of a parent yelling in the stands of a hockey game. No penalties have been assessed as of now. Currently going through the process of analyzing both sides of what occurred.

Should know in 2 weeks if Fire Road Rink (Adirondack) will go live or not. We've had a flood of inquiries if we have room for players. Inquiries from families outside of our organization should be forwarded to the SYHI President and Registrar.

OLD BUSINESS

None

Adjourned 8:38

November 6th 7-9pm, Rec Center December 4th 7-9pm, Rec Center January 8th 7-9pm, TBD