

GYHA Board Meeting Agenda

January 15, 2025

Board Members: Don Johnson, Nick Lane, Nick Mangili, Bill Ryan, Erica Palmer Bowyer, Veronica Lamendola, Jeff Linn, Jeff Barton

Guests:

Absent: Nick Mangili

- Old Business
 - December minutes approved

- New Business
 - Social Media (Veronica) - excellent work by all people putting out post on social media
 - Coaches and Board compliance requirements

- Elections
 - We need an election committee - Erica, Nick, Sara served in 2024,
 - Erica, Nick and Bill will serve as the election committee
 - January 16-February 14: Letter of Intent advertisement begins through all outlets
 - Don will share the letter of intent with the election committee prior to sending out to the organization
 - Nick Lane could stay on with there are not enough applicants for the open board seats
 - February 15-March 16: Nominees reviewed by election committee and display for voting
 - possibly shorten this window for future elections
 - March 17-April 15: Voting happens through Election Buddy. Any bylaw changes will need to be on this if changes are to be made
 - April 16: Annual board meeting- New members start at this meeting. President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer are selected
 - If the board is looking to make changes to the by-laws, that will need to put to vote to the GYHA organization for members to vote on
 - By-laws are accessible through the website

- By-laws need updating because they were last revised 20+ years ago and organizational dynamics have changed since then especially with program focusing on 8U and LTP

- Financials (Nick L)
 - Nick Lane presented 2024 YTD financials
 - Fiscal Year End 2024 GYHA tax returns were extended 6 months by Philip Corrothers, CPA
 - He needs some additional break down on credit card expenses, which I am working to provide and then we can file
 - Philip has done great work
 - Attached are YTD financials through December 2024 (Sep, Oct, Nov & Dec). As a reminder, our fiscal year end is August 31
 - Nick Lane has not broken down credit card expenses in detail on the YTD financials yet, but the summary tab is a great overview of where we are at (including significant equipment/gear expense/investment)
 - Canes grant is important for buffering cost around free sessions and equipment cost during the season
 - Money market transfer from Truist to Edward Jones discussed in December meeting had not occurred due to the age of checks from old operating account
 - Jersey sales - using Venmo for miscellaneous sales, possibly putting a laminated QR code or account information for payment on the spot in the equipment room.
 - Could also be used for other functions such as coach donations
 - Amy and Nick Lane worked on a flyer describing the loaner equipment program
 - possibly including on the flyer what a participant can wear underneath their equipment
 - Does there need to be a separate document discussing other equipment up keep such as stick length and skate sharpening
 - Board discussed putting equipment material on the website
 - Changing “will” to “may” when discussing the assessment of an additional fee if loaner gear is not returned and needs to be replaced
 - Zoom for GYHA
 - Pro cost \$13.99, use GYHA credit card to pay for subscriptions
 - Board motioned to approve Zoom account for GYHA, board approved

- Programs
 - Mites
 - Board feels the season has been going smoothly with Corey running the Mites program
 - Does the Board have a coaching handbook to share organizational information? How can GYHA set up a coach for success when they step into the new role running 6u/8u
 - Keep this document stored in the GYHA drive
 - End of year survey
 - Nick M - well send out a rough draft of the survey to the board for review prior to sending out the first week of the Feb
 - LTP(61 signed up) - up to 64 participants, keeping 15 in learn to skate
 - Possible check list of skills for Learn to Skate participants that want to integrate into the group rotations
 - Pay \$25 for the learn to skate coaches per session, need to be certified skating coaches
 - Try hockey for free(16 signed up)
 - Please put out on social media
 - Volunteer sign ups

- Open Discussion (missed items)

- Closed door session

- Comment Box
- Session Adjourned