



***PYHA Board Meeting Agenda 9/17/2024 - 530pm @ Thompson
Free Library***

Attendance: Geoff Shorette, Brittany Gould, Allison Philips, Joey Gould, Dylan Morin, Erica Tapley, Dan Tilton, Chad Philips

- 1. Call to Order**
 - a. Welcome and Introduction of Attendees
- 2. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**
 - a. Review and approval of minutes from 8/20/2025
 - i. Motion to accept, voted and approved.
- 3. Open Forum**
 - a. Opportunity for board members to raise additional topics
 - i. none
 - b. Questions and feedback from attendees
 - i. none
- 4. Presidents Report**
 - a. MEAHA Meeting 9/9
 - i. Typical discussion
 - b. 10U Nets
 - i. An original association vote resulted in a tie on whether or not to use current sized nets
 - ii. This resulted in the next step of a weighted vote (by association size) and in favor of not using current 10U nets, which means back to full size nets that are about 3 inches taller, final decision for this year
 1. GS will like to address/discuss weighted votes for future issues as well as inquiring about a potential changed vote from the original count.
 - c. Tier 4 Committee
 - i. SportsEngine will be used and flagged nonleague/league
 - ii. Paper score sheets will be used for this year, but Gamesheets will be favorable for next year for convenience
 - iii. Updates to be voted on this month regarding differences between tier 4 and travel, mostly to align better with travel rules such as games counted, tie breakers, etc.

5. Treasurer Report

- a. Operating account \$40,000.14
- Fundraising account. \$40,410.98
- Equipment \$1,868.26
- Officiating. \$ 89.61
- Orton \$7,466.70
- Total \$89,826.68**
- b. Repurposing an old equipment account to open debit card account for key fundraising persons, paper work still in process

6. Old Business

- a. none

7. New Business

- a. none

8. Registrar Report-

- a. 23 Learn to Skate; 4 Learn to Play, 14 Tier 4; 9 Tier 3
- b. Early Bird discount ends the 30th
- c. Tier 3 players will need to submit birth certificates, should be photocopies

9. SafeSport Coordinator Report-

- a. Learn to skate coaches still working on SafeSport requirements
- b. A few board members still need to complete as well
- c. SafeSport meeting - no new updates

10. Coaching Coordinator Report-

- a. Portal is updated
- b. A virtual coaches meeting will be held soon

11. Rink Report

- a. Ice is currently going in, painted white
- b. Panthers Logo will be center ice, no time for new, hopefully cleaning will be suffice
- c. GS will be reaching out for help when the rink responds to email asking to bring PYHA equipment and supplies back in

12. Equipment

- a. Is there a need for more player gear?
 - i. Consensus is no for goalies; all gear has been shifted around as players have grown or players have their own
 - 1. If there is an immediate need on small scale board will revisit
 - ii. Going to need a general sock order

- iii. Plan to sell old jerseys during family skate kickoff on Oct. 5th
- iv. Need an order of Learn to Play jerseys

13. Grant Funding-

- a. Grow The Game GTG grant 2025-2026:
 - i. \$500 social media approved
 - ii. \$500 outreach approved
 - iii. Try Hockey Free info email forwarded to Geoff and Joey from Jacob Strong. (GTG grant funds can be used towards event)
 - iv. 9/17 Yard sign design approved and order for 30 yards signs sent to Carons Signs. Sarah put up 4 yard signs (2 in Greenville, 1 Dover and 1 Milo)
 - v. 9/17 Fb post boosts design approved
 - vi. Waiting for school flyer approval reimbursement. Have been sent to schools.
- b. Kiwanis Grant sent for \$500 request

14. Sponsorships-

- a. **Team Sponsors:**
 - i. Down East Orthopedics- Learn to Play
 - ii. GBI - 10U Tier 3
 - iii. Northern Line under new ownership and is not sponsoring this season
 - iv. Reached out to Rowels Garage and Indian Hill with no response.
 - v. If anyone has ideas who to reach out to, please help or let Sarah know.
- b. Need to create new sheets doc
- c. The Mill Cafe, Piscataquis Precision Machining, Mike Lebell are others that have been contacted
- d. Jesse Snow with Atlantic Pines Surgery and Oral Anesthesia committed to \$1000 donation

15. Learn to Play-

- a. GS will work on creating an FAQ for Learn to Play as he has received numerous emails surrounding both Learn to Play and Learn to Skate
- b. Need more coaches to help this year, please reaching out if interested
- c. Will be reaching out to senior hockey players for helping

16. Learn to Skate -

- a. Tanya has reached out to ask for reimbursement for background checks and other USA Hockey requirements for 3 folks as well as purchasing 2 helmets
 - i. PYHA will reimburse for background checks and USA hockey requirements
 - ii. Vote to approve purchase of helmets was held and decided to not purchase helmets. GS will connect with Tanya to inform her that in the

past the rink has allowed us free rentals. GS will ask the rink about free rentals for the helmets

17. Tier 3-

- a. Dryland trainings going well
- b. 2 Tournaments are booked and 50% paid
- c. Games are scheduled
- d. State tournament in Brewer on 2/27-3/1

18. Tier 4-

- a. There have been some inquires about starting the season on a trial basis for players who are unsure about committing to a team, will need to reevaluate our refund policy
 - i. PHYA will consider upon special request, players to attend practice for 2 weeks before registration must be completed, USA Hockey number must be provided.
- b. Practice Only Players will be considered with special circumstances, per coaches approval, at 50% registration, up until Dec. 31st
 - i. Players over the age limit
 - ii. Players who try out for high school teams get cut

19. Scheduling-

20. Fundraising Report

- a. Looking at PCIA Rental through USA Hockey for potential PYHA fundraising event
- b. Win Win Thrift Store up and running
- c. Halls Christmas Tree Farm doesn't have the capacity to do a wreath sale but donated a 8' tree for raffle (\$65-\$75 value - pick your own experience) How do we want to use this?
- d. Social Media Posts needed-
 - i. Season starts Oct. 14th
 - ii. Create event for Family Skate
 - iii. Apparel available online from Squadlocker, in person car decals, specialty hats, etc in person and locally approved logo design use with KimCreates
 - iv. Approved Facebook boosts

21. Adjournment

- a. Summary of action items and responsibilities
- b. Next meeting - Oct 15, 2025 5:30 PM @ Thompson Free Library
- c. Motion to adjourn, voted and approved: 6:43