

**EYHA Board Meeting**  
Essex Rink Classroom  
**October 19, 2023 7pm.**

**ATTENDANCE:**

<b>Board Members Present:</b>	Helen MacAndrews	Sean O'Connell	Tracy O'Connell
	Jen Villamil	Rick Villamil	Dominic Cloud
	Mike Shaw	Dave Alofsin	Renee Soutiere
	Kim Lassy	Mike Ginnett	Joe Baird

<b>Board Members Absent:</b>	Frank Parisi	Tonra Riehl	Corey Labor
	Brianna Yarnell		

**EYHA Community Members:** None

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** Sean O'Connell, President of the board, called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.
- 2. PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:** Motion to approve [September](#) meeting minutes: Rick Villamil motions, Dominic Cloud seconds. Minutes approved.
- 3. EYHA Member Communication:** *(The purpose of this agenda item is to provide the general public an opportunity to address the board on matters that are either not on the agenda or are slated for action. Any discussion, if any, will be limited to determining next steps.)*  
None
- 4. New Business / Presentations:** *(The purpose of this agenda item is to provide Board members with an opportunity to discuss various issues. Any action to be taken, if any, would occur at a future meeting.)*
  - **Fundraising Coordinator -**
    - Jen Villamil has someone in mind. She will reach out.
  - **Coaches - Enforcers Game:**
    - Dec 22nd (5:15 - 7:15) - Renee booked Essex ice
  - **Goalie Coordinator:**
    - Dominic Cloud motions to name Chris McGinty Goalie Coordinator, Sean O'Connell seconds; Rick Villamil abstains. Motion approved.
  - **Hockey Night in Essex update**
    - Need: Spotlight - Rick / Parent / Dave
    - Need: Announcer - Rick / Joe / Dave (or parent from team playing)
  - **Canadiens- Bruins Fundraiser Raffle Tickets:**
    - Bruins vs. Canadiens March 14th @ Bell Center: 4 tickets - sec 105 row W
    - Zeppy - fundraising ticket sales; Publish link / QR code
      - Pull winner at EHS / MMU Jan 24th 6:15, Cut off @ 7pm
      - Pricing: 1 for \$10 / 3 for \$25
      - Prize Value: \$917
  - **Calcutta committee:**
    - Date: Friday night - Feb 2nd?
    - Helen, Renee, Jen, Kim will connect to plan
  - **10U T3 Regionals:**
    - VT gets two teams;

- 75 volunteer slots needed to be filled by EYHA families
  - Stowe / Waterbury Rinks
  - NEED: Penalty box / scorekeeper / clock / door / hallway monitor

**5. Executive Updates:** *(The purpose of this agenda item is to provide board and administration representatives an opportunity to report out on the current activities of various programs, board committees, etc. There may not always be a report from each group if there have not been any changes since the last time this was on the agenda.)*

- **Registrar: Jennifer Villamil**
  - Working on coaches binders / rosters - will connect with Corey
  - Registrations - 20% higher than last year
- **Head Coach: Corey Labor (absent, sent update)**
  - Completed Coaches meeting - good attendance
    - Reminder ALL coaches complete CEP by 12/31/23
- **Player Development Coordinator: Joe Baird**
  - Skill level of skaters have very much improved
- **Ice Coordinator: Renee Soutiere**
  - Nothing to report
- **Tournament Director: Dave Alofsin**
  - **8U Yamboree:**
    - 27 teams registered (11 major; 11 minor; 5 girls)
    - Swag is outsourced - made onsite; EYHA gets a % of sales
    - Trophies / pucks ordered
    - NEED: Raffle baskets (all travel teams); volunteers; gathering food for concessions
- **Fundraising Coordinator: Vacant**
- **Director of Communication: Kim Lassy**
  - Nothing to report
- **Safety Officer: Tonra Rhiel (Not present)**
  - Nothing to report
- **8U Director: Mike Shaw**
  - Nothing to report
- **Women's Director: Brianna Yarnell (Not present)**
  - Nothing to report
- **Equipment Coordinator: Dominic Cloud**
  - Nothing to report
- **VSAHA Rep: Mike Ginnett**
  - Attended Oct VSAHA meeting
  - Will reach out to Head Referee, Mike Hickey, to express our concern that younger officials are being mentored and supported properly
- **Treasurer: Tracy O'Connell**
  - See attached
- **House VP: Rick Villamil**
  - Nothing to report
- **Travel VP: Dominic Cloud**
  - Nothing to report
- **Past President: Frank Pairisi (not present)**
- **President: Sean O'Connell**
  - Update of disciplinary issue within 14U team
  - Update of Essex injury @ practice incident on 12U T3
    - Board will reach out to parent to offer support

- All coaches will be given reminder of who to contact during injury / disciplinary issues
- Thank you to Jen V for organizing jerseys at coaches meeting
- Reminder that all players need to adhere to EYHA uniform policies regarding helmets, gloves
- **Secretary / SafeSport Update: Helen MacAndrews**
  - **ALL:** Complete [Volunteer Code Conduct](#) (gives USA Hockey # to Jen Villamil for SafeSport / Background check / coaching verification)
  - [SafeSport Training link](#) (every year!)
  - [Background Screening](#) Valid for 2 seasons. \$30
  - [Coaching Certification link](#)
  - [Officiating Certification link](#)

**6. Next meeting date:**

- **November 16, 2023 @ 7:00 pm. Location: Essex Rink classroom**

**7. Executive Session (if needed): none**

**8. Adjournment: 8:48 PM**