



2020-2021

Southern Amateur Hockey Association

Mike Kotas

SAHA Board Secretary

SAHA Board of Directors Register

Ref By-law: 15.13.b

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SAHA Support and Committee Personnel Register

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<u>Functional Area</u>	<u>Designee</u>	<u>Phone / Email</u>
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SE District Registrar	David Polk	dpolk17@gmail.com
SYTHL Liaison	Russ Beatse	russbeatse@att.net
Girls Committee	Kahlie Singletary	kahlie@nashvillegirlshockey.com

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chair</u>	<u>Members</u>
ADM	Danny Butler	
Adult	Dennis McGuffie	
Audit	John Cox	
Disabled	Ed Ragland	
DDR (Discipline)	Jack Flynn	
Girls	Kahlie Singletary	
Goaltending	Andy Franklin	
High School	Jack Flynn	
Junior	Ryan McCormack	
Membership	Kevin Cook	
Safesport	Rich Bennett	
SYTHL	Russ Beatse	
Tier 1	Yan Kaminsky	
Player Development	Jack Flynn	
College / University	Paul Petrarca	
Youth Chair	Removed	

SAHA Association Member Register (Ref By-law: 15.13.c)

#	Name	President	Hockey Director	SafeSport Coordinator
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GAH0033	CENTER ICE ARENA		Stephane Normandeau snormcenterice@yahoo.com	
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MSH0005	GULF COAST YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION	Brock Hill brock.hill@gcases.org	Dylan Forsythe director@gcases.org	
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TNH0010	GREATER NASHVILLE AREA SCHOLASTIC HOCKEY	John Williams president@gnashockey.com		Mark Layne mark_layne@comcast.net
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TNH0055	SOUTHERN YOUTH TRAVEL HOCKEY LEAGUE	Russ Beatse russbeatse@att.net		

WAIVER LOG

SAHA Waiver Log											
Log	Player Name	Req Org	Cur Org	Sub Date	Type	Gov by-Law	Fin Rel Date	Tamper Date	Vote Date	Rel Date	Notes:
1	Luka Ivutin	Tri City Spartans	Atlanta Center Ice	18-Nov	Out of District	USA Hockey	21-Nov	N/A	N/A	23-Nov	None
2	Madden Jones	Ice Bandits	Boston Bandits	6-Dec	Out of District	USA Hockey	6-Dec	N/A	TBD	6-Dec	Exec Decision to release

2021-2022 SAHA Master Schedule

August 2020

1 st	Start of Fiscal Year		SAHA By-Law 20.6
1st	Earliest date for games to count for 20/10 rule		AG XI.A – Pg 133
1st	2020-2021 Committee Reports Due		
7th	SAHA Annual Board/Membership Meeting	CXLD	SAHA By Law 18.2
9th	SAHA Board Meeting	Virtual	
9th	SAHA Registrar Call	Virtual	

September 2020

20th	SAHA SafeSport Call	Virtual	
20th	SAHA Board Meeting	Telecon	

October 2020

1st	SAHA Development Grant application Deadline		
11th	SAHA Board Meeting	Telecon	
15th	Tier I Youth and Girl's teams to declare National Bound		

November 2020

1st	Dev Grant Application recommendation to the Board		
1st	Last Day to Submit Agenda items for USA Hockey Winter Mtgs		
1st	Last Day to submit proposals for USA Hockey Rule changes		
8th	SAHA Board Meeting	Telecon	
15th	Deadline to report # of states with National Bound HS teams to District		

December 2020

1st	Notification and award of SAHA Developmental grants		
13th	SAHA Board Meeting	Telecon	
15 th	Last Day for waiver variances to Player/Team Commitments		24.3.4.a
15th	Tier II Youth teams to declare National Bound		
30 th	Last day to submit By-Laws and Rules to each Registered Association Member registered with SAHA and USA Hockey Director		SAHA By Law 21.4
31st	Last day to change Youth, Girl's, Women's Tier I & II NTB Rosters		
31st	Last Day for all coaches to meet minimum CEP requirements		

January 2021

10th	Youth Tier I Applications Due		SAHA 24.2.4
10th	SAHA Board Meeting	Telecon	
15 th	State Directors report to the Tournament Committee Chair # of NTB teams		SAHA 24.3.1.b

February 2021

15th	Nominations open for election of District Director		SE District Guide 6.d
21st	SAHA Winter Meeting	Zoom	
24th	USA Hockey decision on National Camp		
27th-28th	SYTHL Playoff Weekend		

March 2021

1st	Final Development Grant Report Due		
1st	Deadline for Review of Tier I applications/notification of final decision		SAHA 24.2.7
1st	Nominations close for election of District Director		SE District Guide 6.d
3rd	1st Day Allowed for Tier II teams to announce tryouts / coaches		
5th-7th	Tier II State of Georgia "Bob McCaig Cup" Play down tournament	Various	

5th-7th	Tier 1 SE District Tournament	Nashville	
14th	SAHA Board Meeting	Telecon	
22nd	Ballots distributed for annual election of District Director		SE District Guide 6.d
April 2021			
1st	USA Hockey Block Grant Application due		
1st	Deadline for Member Association Presidents to submit list of registered members as of Feb 28		SAHA Bylaw 13.1a
1st	Nominations open for vacant seat the SAHA Board		SAHA Bylaw 14.1
10th	Deadline for ballots for annual election of District Director		
10th-11th	2021 Player Development Camp - Ford Ice Center Bellevue	Nashville, TN	
15th-18th	USA Hockey Nationals - Adult Men's	Wesley Chapel, FL	
15th-19th	USA Hockey Nationals - High School	Omaha, NE	
18th	SAHA Board Meeting	Telecon	
22nd-25th	USA Hockey Nationals - Adult Women's	Wesley Chapel, FL	
28th-May 3rd	USA Hockey Nationals - Youth Tier I 14U, 15 Only	TBD	
28th-May 3rd	USA Hockey Nationals - Youth Tier I 16U, 18U	Amherst, NY	
29th-May 3rd	USA Hockey Nationals - Youth Tier II 14U	Dallas, TX	
29th-May 3rd	USA Hockey Nationals - Youth Tier II 16U	Grand Rapids, MI	
29th-May 3rd	USA Hockey Nationals - Youth Tier II 18U	Green Bay, WI	
29th-May 3rd	USA Hockey Nationals - Girls Tier I 14U, 16U, 19U	West Chester, PA	
29th-May 3rd	USA Hockey Nationals - Girls Tier II 14U, 16U, 19U	Irvine, CA	
May 2021			
1st	Nominations close for vacant seats on the SAHA Board		SAHA By Law 14.1
5th	Earliest allowable date for Tier I and Tier II tryouts		SAHA BL ORPP 24.2.7 & 24.3.3
16th	SAHA Board Meeting	Telecon	
June 2021			
1st	Deadline for distributing ballots for election of SAHA Directors		SAHA By Law 14.1
9th-13th	2021 USA Hockey Annual Congress - Denver Marriott Tech Center	Denver, CO	
13th	SAHA Board Meeting	Telecon	
15 th	1 st Day for girls tryouts to be held		SAHA 26.2
30th	Deadline for completion of election of SAHA Directors		SAHA By Law 14.2
July 2021			
11th	SAHA Board Meeting	Telecon	
31st	Fiscal Year End		SAHA By Law 20.6

Southern Amateur Hockey Association

Board Meeting Agenda – July 11th, 2021

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern Amateur Hockey Association (“SAHA”) was held on Sunday July 11th, 2021 beginning at 8:00 pm EST/7:00 pm CST via conference call.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9050769951?pwd=NUhTR1VlaGJaY0VsVWp0aDFnbFBBdz09>

Meeting ID: 905 076 9951

Passcode: SAHABoard

Roll Call Board Members (Voting)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Present</u>
John Cox	(TN) President	No	Ryan McCormack	(AL)	Yes
Debbie Barrie	(AL) 2 nd VP	Yes	Ralph Drensek	(AL)	Yes
Mike Kotas	(GA) Secretary	Yes	Yan Kaminsky	(GA)	No
Don Stone	(GA) Treasurer	Yes	Ward Hillegas	(AR)	No
Jack Flynn	(TN) 1 st VP	Yes	Kevin Cook	(LA)	No
Andy Franklin	(TN)	Yes	Dennis McGuffie	(MS)	Yes

Committee Members / Guests (Non-Voting)

Russ Beatse	SYTHL	Yes	Chris Powers	SE Director	No
Debbie Polk	Registrar	Yes	David Polk	Registrar - SE	No
Jim Dewhirst	Referee-in-Chief	No	Rick Murray	Coach-in-Chief	Yes
Kahlie Singletary	Girls	No	Harry Lekemby		Yes

President’s Update (John Cox)

No Report

Treasurer’s Update (Don Stone)

No Report

Secretary Update (Mike Kotas)

1. Acceptance of June Board minutes Approved
2. Update on Alabama director election

Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)

Registry opened on July 6th

SE District Director’s Report (Chris Powers)

State Director Updates

Georgia

Quiet on the Georgia front

Alabama

Quiet on all sides

Tennessee

Elite Edge

Mississippi

Group in Biloxi attempting to ECHI or SPHL (3 exhibition games in Biloxi)

Arkansas

All quiet

Louisiana

All quiet

Committee Updates

Committee	Chair	Notes
ADM	Ryan McCormack	
Adult	Ryan McCormack	
Audit	John Cox	
Coaching	Rick Murray	Clinics have kicked off; Level 5 coming up on August 19-22; 100% in person
Disabled	No Chair	
DDR	Jack Flynn	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Variance requests continue to pore in , mianly from Memphis players moving from Memphis to Birmingham
Girls	Kahlie Singletary	
Goaltending	Rick Murray/ Andy Franklin	<ul style="list-style-type: none">No report
High School	Don Stone	No report
Junior	Ryan McCormack	
Membership	Kevin Cook	<ul style="list-style-type: none">
Referee	Jim Dewhirst	
Safesport	Debbie Barrie	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Nothing to report
SYTHL	Russ Beatse	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Scheduling Zoom call 2 weeks ago (all 12U and above scheduled)
Tier 1	Yan Kaminsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none">No Report
Player Dev	Jack Flynn	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Nationals camp going on; Registration closing for 14U camp at Bowling Green
College / Univ	Paul Petrarca	
Youth	Not Seated	

Old Business

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1. ***TABLED*** Goal Peg Use: Discussion continued on Goal Peg use; Rick Murray provided a recommendation on Goal Peg Use for 10U and under however discussion was generated on both providing appropriate pegs & nets (specifically mid-sized nets for squirts); Rick to follow up with Russ Beatse in SYTHL to confer; Decision to implement has been Tabled for 1 year due to COVID-19 and ability to get all associations to required equipment needs; Rick updated that goal pegs and intermediate nets are now part of Block Grant process
 2. ***TABLED*** High School Continuity – Concern about independent teams calling themselves a High School team, registering 8th graders as High Schoolers, going against USA Hockey HS rules however not part of an existing HSAssociation umbrella.
 3. **TABLED Player Movement-** (ORPP 24.3.2, 26.2, 30.0)

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Andy Franklin	(TN)	No	Dennis McGuffie	(MS)	Yes

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Jim Dewhirst	Referee-in-Chief	No	Rick Murray	Coach-in-Chief	Yes
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President’s Update (John Cox)

No Report

Treasurer’s Update (Don Stone)

- Complete and filed 990 by June 15th

Secretary Update (Mike Kotas)

3. Acceptance of May Board minutes - **Approved**
4. Update on Director elections
 - o Director - Alabama (Closes June 30th)
 - o Director - Mississippi
5. SAHA Annual Membership Meeting
 - o Saturday August 14th
 - o Huntsville Ice Plex. (Conference Room)
 - o 8:30AM-5:00PM
 - o **Expenses = \$150 Location + \$600 Lunch + \$250 Supplies = \$1,000 (assumes 40 people)**
 - o Break-out Sessions at Board Meeting
 - Registrar
 - Safesport
 - Others/Guest Speakers?
6. SAHA Membership Agreement / Annual Disclosure Form
 - o Adjusted verbiage to accept USA Hockey Whistleblower and Conflict of Policies (not affiliate)
 - o **Required to submit contact information for all parties prior to Roster approvals**
 - o Plan to release SAHA Agreement by July 1st, providing 31 days for associations to submit agreement

- o Intake Form <https://form.jotform.com/211285601820043>

7. Player Movement Discussion (ORPP 24.3.2, 26.2, 30.0) – **Discussion held with no vote and tabled until August meeting**
- o Vote: NPAB-5 ORPP 30.0 Regulations for player participating in an older age group
 - o Vote: DDR Waiver claim on Matt Geibing. Player from Knoxville area who desires waiver to play for Atlanta Madhatters. Has not played for KAHA in 3 seasons, will leave for Carolina Rage for 4th year in a row if Waiver denied
 - o Discussion: ORPP 24.3.2 (Tier II Rosters) and ORPP 26.2 (Rec Rosters) Clarification and modernization of community-based player movement for Tier II and Rec Rosters; Mid-South Players being taken on Birmingham rosters (Russ Beatse)
 - Protecting smaller association vs. Monopolies of associations not in Atlanta / Nashville
 - Protecting players from leaving the affiliate (i.e. provide parents with a choice)
 - Modernizing the community-based rule by allowing up to 2 non-community players per Tier II/Rec roster (without a waiver). Of 15 affiliates researched, all either have zero restrictions or an allowance for a small number of non-community based players. None of them have complete restrictions.

Associations with less than 100 Youth Claimed Registrations

Assoc	State	19/20	20/21	Notes
Marauders	TN	0	20	Adding Teams
Lady Thrashers	GA	20	30	Supplemental
Arkansas Youth	AR	52	32	
Gulf Coast	MS	43	34	
Franklin	TN	0	35	New Association
Columbus	GA	120	71	
Center Ice	GA	115	87	Fails to claim House League
Mudbugs	LA	110	90	
Birmingham	AL	82	91	Feeds to Pelham

Comparisons

AMH	GA	47	131
Mid-South	MS	145	154
Pelham	AL	206	192
KAHA	TN	238	287

Tier II Off-Season Player Movement by Affiliate

5	4	3	2	1
Least Restrictive	Financial Release	Limited Rosters	Geographic	Most Restrictive
Free Offseason Movement	Free Offseason Movement (Zero debt/DPL List/Disciplinary)	Limited Team Rostering (no more than X players / Limited # of Transfers)	Geographic Boundaries (Limited Releases)	Community Based Release
Atlantic (DE NJ East PA)	ASHA 2.5 (AK)	AHAI (IL)	Minnesota Hockey (MN)	SAHA (AL AR GA LA MS TN)
CAHA (NC SC)	AZ Hockey (AZ)	CAHA (CA)	NDAHA (ND)	
MTHockey (MT)	CAHA (CO)	Mass Hockey (MA)	WAHA (WI)	
NAHA (NV)	CHC (CT)	MAHA (MI)		
PVAHA (DC MD VA)	IAHA (ID)	Tri-State (IA KS NE)		
TAHA (TX OK)	LOEAHA (NM)	MAIHA (MO)		
UAHA (UT)	MEAHA (ME)	PNAHA (WA)		
Mid-Am (IN KY OH WaPA WV)	NHAHA (NH)	VTAHA (VT)		
	NYSAHA (NY)	SAHOF (FL)		
	OSHA (OR)			
	RIHA (RI)?			
	SDAHA (SD)			
	WAHA (WY)			

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- 8. Administrative Expenses
 - Formally purchase Zoom or MS Teams for use during board meetings and break-out sessions.
 - 9. Upcoming Schedule items
 - June 15th – 1st day for girls tryouts to be held
 - June 30th - Deadline for completion of election of SAHA Directors
 - July 11th – SAHA Board Meeting July
 - July 31st – Fiscal Year Ends

Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)

Several meetings (21,000 registrations ahead of 19/20); High School has now added a Prep School division; NTB Teams will need to have a jersey number and position on the roster prior to submittal; Play up request must be created before roster is submitted; Myhockeyhq will be kept up to date through a phase-in; a few adult insurance claims which are difficult if they are not claimed on a roster; Registry for Debbie by Jult 1st or weekend after; New president for USA Hockey is Mike Trimboli from NY. Some large changes for credentialing;

SE District Director’s Report (Chris Powers)

State Director Updates

Georgia

No report

Alabama

Youth NAHA bulls and chargers had tryouts last weekend. Huntsville able to get 2x 10U at each level; Birmingham 10U 1 12U 1 14U

Tennessee

Significant volume of variance requests

Mississippi

Some Safesport activity; Did Dillon Forsythe out of Gulf Coast get with Dennis? Gulf coast interested in getting program up and running

Arkansas

Neither program gets gets going until the fall

Louisiana

All quiet on youth hockey front; Junior mudbugs play9ing for the Robertson

Committee Updates

Committee	Chair	Notes
ADM	Ryan McCormack	No Report
Adult	Ryan McCormack	No Report
Audit	John Cox	
Coaching	Rick Murray	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coaching has been busy. Meeting in Plymouth to extend the CEP program. Adopting a new standard for adult education; New youtube video up and being developed. More clinics offered after the 4th of July weekend. Can take a clinic from any district; Re-done the modules which have ben reduced to 3 modules (8U, 10U/12U, and 14U-18U)

Disabled	No Chair	
DDR	Jack Flynn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No further report aside from variance requests
Girls	Kahlie Singletary	SAHA hosted SE district championship; Hosted SE District camp; 114 girls with 4 being sent to the multi-district camp; Mid-South ice house starting girls program; Knoxville doing mini-camp; Head to Lafayette in July; Little Rock looking to start a girls skate; Do you know of any female goalie coach's who can get involved with Goalie Nation?
Goaltending	Rick Murray/ Andy Franklin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Goaltending group working on a new Silver Clinic. Bronze are very general. Silver is more focused. (Monthly zoom meetings on 1-2 hours per month with an end of year meeting). Offering a gold level in conjunction with level 5;
High School	Don Stone	No report; Bunch of changes got pushed
Junior	Ryan McCormack	No Report
Membership	Kevin Cook	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Report
Referee	Jim Dewhirst	
Safesport	Debbie Barrie	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> USA Hockey Congress; 528 US Hockey Complaints (9 in SAHA vs 43 in Minnesota); Most of the activity in Tennessee; Some changes coming out; Everything can go check their background check. Launch a bi-monthly safesport meeting and a sharepoint. Background check every 2 years; Safesport required for all members.
SYTHL	Russ Beatse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Declarations are coming in now; Close to last years quantity of teams. Very viable divisions. Scheduling for 12U and above on Sunday June 27th
Tier 1	Yan Kaminsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Report
Player Dev	Jack Flynn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> District Camp did very well especially with Jr Preds; Good feedback; Mike Mulhall stepping down as player development head; Gives the opportunity for a new opportunity
College / Univ	Paul Petrarca	
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Join Zoom Meeting

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Committee Members / Guests (Non-Voting)

Russ Beatse	SYTHL	Yes	Chris Powers	SE Director	Yes
Debbie Polk	Registrar	Yes	David Polk	Registrar - SE	No
Jim Dewhirst	Referee-in-Chief	No	Rick Murray	Coach-in-Chief	No
Kahlie Singletary	Girls	No	Harry Lekemby		Yes

President’s Update (John Cox)

No Report

Treasurer’s Update (Don Stone)

No Report

Secretary Update (Mike Kotas)

1. Acceptance of April Board minutes (Mike Kotas) – **Approved**
2. Seating of Ward Hillegas as Director-Arkansas
3. Dennis McGuffie Resignation – Discussion on vacancy replacement
4. Summer Meeting – Update on Saturday August 14th Annual Board Meeting
5. Update on Mailchimp comms – Distributed to all 61 contacts in the Association Member Register and had 37 of 61 (61%) of group open it. (103 total clicks); PVHA and Goalie Article were most clicked articles
6. Membership Agreement Update – Draft for 2021
7. Update on SAHA Director Elections
8. Upcoming Schedule items
 - a. May 16th – SAHA May Board Meeting
 - b. May 21-23 – Girls Player Development
 - c. June 1st – Elections for TN and AL directors will start no later than this date
 - d. June 9th-13th – USA Hockey Annual Congress (Denver, CO) (~173 rule changes proposed)

- i. Rule 401 – Misconduct Player at 5 Penalties and coach at 15 move to 4 & 12
 - ii. Body contact now called “Competitive Contact”
 - iii. Anchoring of goal posts except at 10U and below (Recommendation to Defeat)
 - iv. Allowance for a player (not suspended) to be on the bench with Jersey and helmet
 - v. Not permitting a line change on an icing (recommendation to defeat)
 - vi. Rule 402, 403, 404: Pro-rated penalty times for Minor Major and Misconduct Penalties
 - vii. Rule 409 – All face-offs after a penalty will now be in the Def zone of the offending team
 - viii. Rule 411 – progressive Coaching suspension time for 2nd and 3rd violations of 601 abuse of officials
 - ix. Rule 501 - Allow 4-game officials at 14U
 - x. Rule 601 – Game misconduct may be assessed if player bats puck outside of playing area during stoppage of play if done in protest
- e. June 13th – SAHA Board Meeting
 - f. June 15th – 1st Day for Girls Tryouts to held
 - g. June 30th – Deadline for the completion of Election of SAHA Directors

Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)

No Report

SE Director Update (Chris Powers)

Discussion around USA Annual Conference and significant volume of rule proposals

State Director Updates

Georgia

Tryouts to be held the week of the 21st – Good Showing at Nationals

Alabama

Tennessee

Mississippi

Arkansas

Louisiana

Committee Updates

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chair</u>	<u>Notes</u>
ADM	Ryan McCormack	No Report
Adult	Ryan McCormack	No Report
Audit	John Cox	No Report
Coaching	Rick Murray	

- No Report

Disabled	Ed Ragland	No Report
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DDR	Jack Flynn	
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- Volume related to Spring/Summer rosters from Music City Marauders

Girls	Kahlie Singletary	No Report
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Goaltending	Rick Murray/ Andy Franklin	
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- No Report

High School	Don Stone	No Report
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Junior	Ryan McCormack	No Report
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Membership	Kevin Cook	
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- No Report

Referee	Jim Dewhirst	No Report
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Safesport	Debbie Barrie	
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- No Report

SYTHL	Russ Beatse	
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- SYTHL League meetings to be held on Aug 14th in Huntsville in conjunction with Squirt Leveling tournament. All Other Scheduling to be done in June

Tier 1	Yan Kaminsky	
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- No Report

Player Dev	Jack Flynn	
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- No Report

College / Univ	Paul Petrarca	No Report
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Youth	Not Seated	No Report
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Old Business

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New Business

Southern Amateur Hockey Association

Board Meeting Agenda – April 18th, 2021

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern Amateur Hockey Association (“SAHA”) was held on Sunday April 18th, 2021 beginning at 8:00 pm EST/7:00 pm CST via conference call.

Additionally, an extension of the April Regular Board meeting was held on Sunday April 25th, 2021 at 8:00PM EST/7:00PM CST via Zoom

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Kahlie Singletary	Girls	No/No	Harry Lekemby		Yes/No

President’s Update (John Cox)

No Report

Treasurer’s Update (Don Stone)

No Report

Secretary Update (Mike Kotas)

- 1) Acceptance of March Board minutes (Mike Kotas) – **Approved (9-0)**
- 2) NPAB-2021-1 – By Law 13.1(a) (Mike Kotas) – Deferred to April Extension meeting
- 3) NPAB-2021-2 – ORPP 24.3.3.c Tryouts (Jack Flynn) – Deferred to April Extension meeting
- 4) NPAB-2021-3 – ORPP 26.4 Spring/Summer Teams (Mike/Jack/Debbie) – Deferred to April Extension meeting
- 5) Vote for new Association Application “Centennial Hockey LLC” (Georgia – Mike/Yan/Don) – **Denied (0-8, 1 abstention)**
- 6) Vote for new Association Application “Pro Vision Hockey Academy” (Tennessee – John/Andy/Jack) – **Approved (9-0)**
- 7) Summer Meeting – Proposed Date Saturday August 7th – Atlanta – Accommodations update – Mike to work with Russ Beatse on a potential combination meeting August 14-15 in Huntsville during SYTHL Squirt Levelling tournament

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- 8) Proposed Monthly Board Meeting Communication to all Association Members – Mike postponed to next meeting
 - 9) Upcoming Schedule items
 - a. April 22nd - May 3rd – USA Hockey Nationals (Various Locations)
 - b. May 1st - Nominations close for vacant positions on SAHA Board
 - c. May 5th – Earliest Allowable date for Tier I and II tryouts
 - d. May 16th – SAHA May Board Meeting
 - 10) Due to a lack of Board members to meet 80% voting requirements, an April Board Meeting extension occurred on Sunday April 25th

April Extension Meeting Agenda

- 1) NPAB-2021-1 – By Law 13.1(a) Collection of Registration Information (Mike Kotas) - **Approved**
- 2) NPAB-2021-2 – ORPP 24.3.3.c Tryouts (Jack Flynn) - **Approved**
- 3) NPAB-2021-3 – ORPP 26.4 Spring/Summer Teams (Mike/Jack/Debbie) - **Approved**
- 4) NPAB-2021-4 – By Law 10.7 New Member Association application timeline (Mike Kotas) - **Approved**
- 5) Resignation of Paul Petrarca and discussion/vote on replacement per by-law 14.4 (John Cox) – Replacement discussion of Ward Hillegas as Interim Arkansas Director for Paul Petrarca was discussed. Motion approved for Ward to be the replacement. He will be seated at the next Board meeting
- 6) Dennis McGuffie announced his resignation.

Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)

TABLED High School Continuity – Concern about independent teams calling themselves a High School team, registering 8th graders as High Schoolers, going against USA Hockey HS rules however not part of an existing HS Association umbrella.

SE District Director's Report (Chris Powers)

No Report

State Director Updates

Georgia

Alabama

Discussion between 18U NAHA joining with Birmingham to make a team as they individually do not have enough players to field teams

Tennessee

Mississippi

Arkansas

Louisiana

State Director Updates

Committee Updates

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Adult	Ryan McCormack	No Report
Audit	John Cox	No Report
Coaching	Rick Murray	
		Coaching clinics have been posted for early virtual sessions. Working with coaching coordinators on identifying potential for in-person sessions
Disabled	Ed Ragland	No Report
DDR	Jack Flynn	
		Music City Marauders waiver for relief on forming summer tournament teams was last case
Girls	Kahlie Singletary	No Report
Goaltending	Rick Murray/ Andy Franklin	Completed last try goalie for free clinic

High School	Don Stone	No Report
Junior	Ryan McCormack	No Report
Membership	Kevin Cook	
Grant Money sent to all recipients		
Referee	Jim Dewhirst	No Report
Safesport	Debbie Barrie	No Report

SYTHL Russ Beatse
 Squirt Levelling tournament scheduled for August 14-15 in Huntsville

Tier 1	Yan Kaminsky	No Report
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Player Dev Jack Flynn
 Player development was large success; largest number of participants ever; Evaluators were excited;
 Concern about the distribution of slots to the SAHA Affiliate

College / Univ	Paul Petrarca	No Report
Youth	Not Seated	No Report

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President's Update (John Cox)

1. Spring League rostering - Outstation
2. PVHA application - Outstanding

Treasurer's Update (Don Stone)

- No Report

Secretary Update (Mike Kotas)

- 2) Acceptance of February Board minutes - Approved
- 3) Nashville Jr Predators approved for Tier 1 Status for the 2021-22 season
- 4) Status of new Association Application “Centennial Hockey LLC”
- 5) Summer Meeting – Proposed Date Saturday August 7th - Atlanta
- 6) Upcoming Schedule items
 - a. April 1st – USA Hockey Block Grant Application Due
 - b. April 1st – Nominations open for vacant seats on the SAHA Board
 - c. April 1st – Deadline for Member Association Presidents to submit list of registered members as of Feb 28
 - d. April 10th-11th – SAHA Player Development
 - e. April 18th – April SAHA Board Call

Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)

- 1) Some teams are beginning to register for the summer
- 2) ***TABLED*** High School Continuity – Concern about independent teams calling themselves a High School team, registering 8th graders as High Schoolers, going against USA Hockey HS rules however not part of an existing HS Association umbrella.

SE District Director's Report (Chris Powers)

District tournament was successful; No complaints, slightly different enforcement of COVID protocols at different buildings; Request SAHA pay for the expenses to break even;

State Director Updates

Georgia

2nd Try Goalie For Free day held at AMH; Georgia Bob McCaig Cup winners 18U-Fire 16U-Fire 14U-MadHatters; Georgia United spring teams starting with collaboration from most of the Atlanta rinks

Alabama

Adult Leagues finishing up; Birmingham wrapping up the season; Birmingham not getting all the Adult registrations due to the lack of a Hockey Director;

Tennessee

New association has expanded to Travel Hockey; Building a rink in Nolansville;

Mississippi

Arkansas

Louisiana

Committee Updates

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ADM	Ryan McCormack	No Report
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Audit	John Cox	No Report
Coaching	Rick Murray	<ul style="list-style-type: none">USA Hockey debating about starting coaching clinics earlier then august;
Disabled	Ed Ragland	No Report
DDR	Jack Flynn	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Large Locker-Boxing case involving Ravenwood high school
Girls	Kahlie Singletary	No Report
Goaltending	Rick Murray/ Andy Franklin	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Try Goalie for Free Session #2 commenced at AMH on March 14th
High School	Don Stone	
Junior	Ryan McCormack	No Report
Membership	Kevin Cook	

- Working on getting committee together to discuss upcoming season; Looking to re-tool program

Referee Jim Dewhirst No Report

Safesport Debbie Barrie

- Wrapping up outstanding case; Fairly large case loads but quiet the past month

SYTHL Russ Beatse

- 11 Organizations in SYTHL; 9 different Orgs win a championship at some level; Some elite teams that are better AA teams but not playing AAA schedule is being looked at / discussed; Squirt Leveling tournament is undecided; Safesport concerns at GNASH thus SYTHL will help to enforce them if they need to be enforced

Tier 1 Yan Kaminsky

- Nashville Jr Predators approved for Tier 1 status for the 2021-2022 season

Player Dev Jack Flynn

- 5 Evaluators coming down; Several board members will be participating in the event; ~150 players registered which is right on pace however the '07 birthyear is light; Need to get more information out; Thoughts about accomplishing registration the night before

College / Univ Paul Petrarca No Report

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10. Draft interpretation of 26.3 and 26.4 for Spring/Summer tournament team formation during a pandemic environment. Review of these same by-laws/waiver process for girls teams/programs. – John Cox
11. PVHA Application – John Cox

New Business

Southern Amateur Hockey Association

Board Meeting Agenda – February 21st, 2021

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern Amateur Hockey Association (“SAHA”) was held on Sunday February 21st, 2021 beginning at 7:00 pm EST/6:00 pm CST via conference call.

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President's Update (John Cox)

Treasurer's Update (Don Stone)

Block grant came in November but normally comes in during the summer time.

- 1) 2020-2021 Budget Review
- 2) 2021-2022 Budget Planning

Secretary Update (Mike Kotas)

- 7) Acceptance of January Board minutes (Approved)
- 8) Overhauled Master Calendar
- 9) Status of new Association Application “Centennial Hockey LLC”

Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)

- No new numbers from last report.
- Coaches who don't have their temp cards by March 31st will be notified that they will be unable to coach in thr spring
- NTB books are all in with a few glitches

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- 3) High School Continuity – Concern about independent teams calling themselves a High School team, registering 8th graders as High Schoolers, going against USA Hockey HS rules however not part of an existing HS Association umbrella.

SE District Director's Report (Chris Powers)

- SE District Tournament is organized and ready to go (Thursday March 4th – Monday March 8th). Attempting to accomplish on a Breakeven basis. Permission from the District to handle different revenue streams. Final Zoom call tomorrow. USA Hockey will decide by Feb 24 whether National Tournaments to proceed.

State Director Updates

Georgia

Atlanta Phoenix (Iceforum Hockey Club – Duluth: GAH0003)

No Formal report rcvd. Robin Grant has departed the IceForum staff. Brian Cole is co-directing. Spring programming includes Spring X-Ice, Spring House League, and Pre-Travel Skates

GSHL (The Georgia Student Hockey League: GAH0005)

Atlanta Lady Thrashers (Atlanta Thrashers Women's Hockey: GAH0007)

Nellie, Sam, and Kristin looking to expand the women's/girls game. Currently practicing 1-night per week ADM style and attending "league" weekends with other associations in the SE District. Intent on creating a Formal "Girls"/ "Womens" league for 2021-22 season throughout SE district. Would like to participate in future Grant application to grow the women's, especially around "Girls Try Hockey for Free day"

Atlanta Ice Bandits (The Bandit Ice Hockey Association: GAH0021)

Bandit's spring programming includes a week-long camp as well as a goaltending clinic

Columbus Cottonmouths (Columbus Hockey Association: GAH0025)

No response

Atlanta Center Ice (Center Ice Arena: GAH0033)

No spring programming listed on their web site

Atlanta MadHatters (Madhatters Hockey Association: GAH0036)

Spring programming is set and updated on the Atlanta Ice House web site. Various clinics including the 2nd Try Goalie for Free clinic has been posted. Additional spring programming includes skating clinics, 3v3 pond hockey, pre-tryout clinics, and youth stick times. From an infrastructure perspective, work has resumed on a half-sheet of ice that will be used to host lessons, station-based practices as well as mite / 3v3 games.

AMH has not received the grant money although already provided one Try Goalie For Free day and the second is scheduled

Atlanta Fire (The Cooler Hockey Club: GAH0075)

Cooler hosting 2 sessions of spring PTP camps in addition to their normal schedule of Learn to Play and Spring House League sessions

Alabama

Birmingham

Josh Harris has been appointed.....

Held try hockey for Free held on Feb 20th, 65 kids on this ice

Birmingham association going strong. Questions about the arena however only an interim HD at this time

Huntsville

Held THFF on Feb 21, ~ 50 players out. A bit of decline in youth numbers but teams are holding steady.

More adults registered than ever.

Tennessee

Music City Marauders:

- Teams: 16 (A). Looking to add 14 and 18 A level teams next year and join SYTHL
- Season will end March 10, 2021
- Currently at 35 games. Have had to stretch to play AA level to obtain games.

NYHL:

10 Teams A and AA Mite to 18U

Season will conclude mid March

COVID impact on number of games/practices has been minimal. A few missed practices due to COVID protocol.

Franklin Vanguard:

U6 Cross Ice Termites

U8 Mites A – ½ Ice

U12 Girls – Rec

Season will conclude Mid March

No restrictions on games/practices. U6 will have 1 tournament, U8's will have 3, the Girl's U12 will have 2 tournaments. Practices have been steady with no impacts

Nashville Jr Predators

Mite Development Program

Girls 14 and 19U

Boys AA: 8 Teams 10-18U

Boys AAA: 7 Teams 11-18U

Season will conclude Mid-March

COVID impact has caused them to rely on more "friendlies" as tournaments have been shaky. They believe they will hit their target content thresholds in terms of practices and game.

Centennial Ice Rink:

Estimated to be down 25% due to extra time allowed between groups and COVID restrictions.

No public skate. 12& Under can have one parent attend. Tournament attendance is down. House leagues are at about 75%

Ford Ice Centers:

No Public Skate (Only offered during 12/18-1/4).

Currently allowing four spectators with participant/player. Same hours of operations.

NPAHA:

Youth/House League Divisions with 325 Winter players.

6U,8U,10U,12U & 13+. No missed practices/games due to COVID.

Little Preds Learn to Play introduced 211 new players so far in 20'-21'

PREDeccessor Program brought 231 players to the ice so far in 20'-21'

G.O.A.L./THFF Program introduced 90 new players so far in 20'-21'

Girls PREDeccessor brought 5 players to the ice

Preds Girls Hockey Development Program introduced 74 registered players

Adult League currently has 521 players at both facilities

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Mississippi

Adult skating at many places

Youth had a short season in Gulfport

Arkansas

NWAHA Total Players 145 (flat to last year)

- Executed 2 LTP Programs during the season, 1 in the fall and the 2nd happening now; introduced youth hockey to 42 new players from both events
- Expanded Rec League (non travel) to 38 skaters. They practice 1x per week and then Friday night games
- Goalie Clinic Planned for April of 2021 and will invite interested skaters in the goalie position from NW Arkansas, Oklahoma, Springfield MO and Little Rock
- NW Arkansas sent 3 Travel Teams to play in the Mo Hockey League (SQ-B1, PW-A3, BT-A2 levels) and are headed to SL for the Blue Note Cup Playdown Weekend 2/19-21
- NW Arkansas sent 2 HS Teams (JV and Varsity) as part of the MAHSHL in Kansas City
- 8U/Mites 4 Teams (Wings, Lightning, Hawks, Sharks) 2 Practices per week, games Saturday AM, half ice and ADM format with a running clock. We are leading growth in U8 and U10 numbers vs. our closest cities (Springfield MO, Jefferson City, Tulsa, Little Rock)
- Continued focus on LTP and the younger age groups to drive the player pipeline
- Innovations for the Program implemented this year
- Integrated formal skating instruction for the teams to improve skating skills & edge work
- SQ & PW Teams Augmented their practices with the 10,000 Puck Challenge and 10,000 Touch Challenge in addition to their ice practices. To improve shot and pass accuracy and build stick handling skills. Used inexpensive prizes for raffles for players efforts and was a great team competition

Key Needs: We have not yet received the grant money from earlier this year, so as a result, we have not yet purchased the intermediate goals for the association. If this could be followed up on, that would be of great help. Looking ahead to next year, we anticipate strong growth at PW, but anticipate soft Bantam numbers (2008 & 2007 BY).

Regular Season Stats (W-L-T)

U10/Squirrels: 17-10-2
U12/Pee Wees: 14-14-6
U14/Bantams: 10-7-3
Jr Varsity: 16-1-1
Varsity: 12-5-1

Here is a snapshot of youth hockey in NW Arkansas by age group.

10U: 17
12U: 15
14U: 17
8U: 33
JV: 14
Rec: 38
Varsity: 11

Louisiana

Shreveport:

The NAHL team in Shreveport is able to host games with attendance limited to 1,550. Learn to Skate and Learn to Play Programs are in full swing and have already touched more than 80 kids this season. A number of those have converted to house league play and this is the second season Shreveport has placed a team in the Dallas High School League. Youth hockey registration is down 10% over the prior year and there is concern about weak numbers at 8U.

Baton Rouge:

Baton Rouge remains shut down without a rink to play in. A group of adults travels to play in Lafayette.

Lafayette:

The NA3HL team in Lafayette continues to do well, but it has not been successful in helping to grow the game locally. I need to find ways to get this program more involved with USA Hockey. It's a struggle every year with a lack of continuity in the program. In Louisiana, our biggest challenge is not only certified, but truly qualified coaches and referees

Committee Updates

Committee	Chair	Notes
ADM	Ryan McCormack	No Report
Adult	Ryan McCormack	No Report
Audit	John Cox	No activity; The field review will occur in the 2021-2022 year
Coaching	Rick Murray	

- Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, USA Hockey's Coaching Education Program (CEP) decided to offer virtual coaching clinics using the Zoom platform this season.
- Since the virtual clinics were accessible to coaches from all over the country and required multiple instructors per clinic, the Southeastern District CEP staff decided to organize our clinics at the district level instead of the affiliate level this year.
- SAHA CEP instructors participated in most of the 28 coaching clinics that were offered by the district this fall.
- Because coaches from associations within SAHA could attend clinics offered anywhere in the country, we do not have accurate numbers for the number of coaches from the affiliate that were trained this year.
- The SAHA affiliate CEP program welcomed a new instructor; Mike Craigen from Knoxville, TN.

SAHA Coaching Education Program Staff:

- Rick Murray, Conway, AR
- Dave Brocato, Shreveport, LA
- Angela Walchuck-Jones, Franklin, TN
- Mark Sedgwick, Biloxi, MS
- Tom Winkler, Decatur, AL

- Craig Terranova, Cumming, GA
- Mike Craigen, Knoxville, TN

Disabled	Ed Ragland	No Report
DDR	Jack Flynn	Significant volume of DDR cases
Girls	Kahlie Singletary	No Report
Goaltending	Rick Murray/ Andy Franklin	

- At the national level, the Goalie Nation has expanded dramatically. Instead of a single Goalie Development Coordinator (GDC) for each USA Hockey affiliate, our goal is to expand our staff to include a male and a female GDC for each state.
- In the SAHA affiliate, the current Goalie Nation staff includes 4 GDCs:
 - Arkansas: Rick Murray
 - Alabama: Lucas Stern
 - Georgia: Craig Terranova
 - Tennessee: Andy Franklin
 - We are trying to recruit additional male and female GDCs in the affiliate.
- The SAHA affiliate Goalie Nation also includes Goalie Development Leaders (GDLs) that work at the local level to promote goalie development.
 - Knoxville, TN: Bryan Hince
 - We will soon be adding Owen Clark in Atlanta, GA
- The Goalie Nation also offers Coaching Education Clinics (Bronze, Silver, and Gold) and this year and two Bronze Level clinics were hosted by the SAHA affiliate Goalie Nation.

High School	Don Stone	No Report
Junior	Ryan McCormack	No Report
Membership	Kevin Cook	

- Grant dollars have been allocated but not distributed. Most association's programs are in full swing.
- COVID-19 has caused a pivot in the types of grant programs we offered this season and I think we had some limited effectiveness. We continue to struggle to work closely enough with smaller associations to make them effective. We need the help of the state directors to get more engaged with these small associations to increase awareness about our programs and to help them become more effective in the way they invest our grant dollars.
- Work is underway to evaluate each grant category and determine if we will move forward with them in the future. I expect a retooled grant program in 2021-2022.
- The goalie development program continues to be the shining example of a program that truly works.
- I believe we need to study the rise of very small, limited focus associations in the affiliate to determine if this is what is truly best for growing the game.

Referee	Jim Dewhirst	No Report
Safesport	Debbie Barrie	10 investigations since September; ~2 that are still open. Will hold a townhall meeting at the local meeting; Need State directors to ensure that all associations understand 601.E covers racial, ethnic, and sexual orientation slurs

- SYTHL** Russ Beatse
- SYTHL had 11 divisions and 65 teams. This was our biggest year we have ever had.
 - As like any other part of our life this past year, COVID had an effect on our season. We decided to delay the start of the season but was able to complete the full season. We had 634 regular season games scheduled and we only lost 38 games due to COVID issues. Thanks to committed managers, coaches, rink operators and hockey administrators, we have not had any outbreaks attributed to any of our festival weekends.
 - We will be completing our season with year end tournaments ending on February 28th.

Tier 1	Yan Kaminsky	
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- The SAHA was well represented by Nashville Jr. Predators AAA, Tier I program. Nashville Jr. Predators AAA was approved last season as a Tier I program and association throughout SAHA.
- For the 2020-21 hockey season, only one program, Nashville Jr. Predators Hockey Club, applied for Tier I status. The application is currently under review and waiting for approval by SAHA Board of Directors.

Player Dev Jack Flynn

- The 2021 Player Development Camp is tentatively scheduled for the weekend of April 10/11 at the Ford Ice Center in Bellevue (Nashville) Tennessee.
- 2004,05,06 birth years will compete for a spot at SE District tryouts for National Camp
- 2007 birth year will compete for a spot at the 14U Development Camp held at Bowling Green University
- 23 hours of Ice has been reserved in the following blocks:
- Saturday: Rink 1: 745a – 845a and 245p – 730p; Rink 2: 7a – 11:30a and 2:30p – 8:15p
- Sunday: Rink 1: 9a – 12:30p; Rink 2: 9:30a – 1p
- We have verbal commitments from Evaluators in the NAHL, EHL, NA3HL and NCAA
- USA Hockey will determine the status of the National Camp on February 24th. This decision will inform how we proceed with the SAHA Player Development Camp.

College / Univ	Paul Petrarca	No Report
Youth	Not Seated	No Report

Old Business

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New Business

Draft interpretation of 26.3 and 26.4 for Spring/Summer tournament team formation during a pandemic environment. Review of these same by-laws/waiver process for girls teams/programs.

Southern Amateur Hockey Association

Board Meeting Agenda – January 10th, 2021

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern Amateur Hockey Association (“SAHA”) was held on Sunday January 10th, 2021 beginning at 8:00 pm EST/7:00 pm CST via conference call.

The conference call dial in number is (605) 313-5086. The participant access code is: 300310#.

MEETING AGENDA

Roll Call:

Board Members (Voting)

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Debbie Barrie	(AL) 2 nd VP	Yes	Ralph Drensek	(AL)	Yes
Mike Kotas	(GA) Secretary	Yes	Yan Kaminsky	(GA)	No
Don Stone	(GA) Treasurer	No	Paul Petrarca	(AR)	No
Jack Flynn	(TN) 1 st VP	Yes	Kevin Cook	(LA)	Yes
Andy Franklin	(TN)	Yes	Dennis McGuffie	(MS)	No

Committee Members / Guests (Non-Voting)

Russ Beatse	SYTHL	Yes	Chris Powers	SE Director	Yes
Debbie Polk	Registrar	Yes	David Polk	Registrar - SE	No
Jim Dewhirst	Referee-in-Chief	No	Rick Murray	Coach-in-Chief	Yes
Kahlie Singletary	Girls	No	Harry Lekemby		No

President’s Update (John Cox)

Treasurer’s Update (Don Stone)

No report

Secretary Update (Mike Kotas)

- 1) Acceptance of December Board minutes (minutes approved)
- 2) Virtual Zoom Call on Sunday Feb 21st – 7PM Eastern (90 Minutes scheduled) – Winter Meetings discussion recap; place several reminders

Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)

- Dates changes on Nationals; Concerns about AP Exams nationally on May 3rd; Concerns about Tier 1 Nationals in CA and NY with COVID; Still potential for Nationals to be cancelled; Expect a decision to be made during the Winter Meetings

SE District Director’s Report (Chris Powers)

- No Report

State Director Updates

- Georgia** – Planning State Tournament, 6 total teams (2x each at 18U, 16U, and 14U); AMH held Play goalie for free on January 3rd (thanks to Andy Franklin for helping to host)
- Alabama** - Bulls may have an interim director at Birmingham; UAH had 1200 spectators at games over the weekend;
- Tennessee** - Leagues running as normal; Awaiting on Mayor’s approval for further COVID regulations; Expecting 2 spectator requirement; Centennial currently allows zero spectators
- Mississippi** -
- Arkansas** - Arkansas performing house league; Starting the Little Stars program; Unsure of NW Arkansas
- Louisiana** - Registration #'s down

Committee Updates

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chair</u>	<u>Notes</u>
ADM	Ryan McCormack	No Report
Adult	Ryan McCormack	No Report
Audit	John Cox	No Report
Coaching	Rick Murray	CEP extended to 1/31/21; SE District is not offering classes unless a need is present however clinics are still available from other districts virtually
Disabled	Ed Ragland	No Report
DDR	Jack Flynn	No report
Girls	Kahlie Singletary	No Report
Goaltending	Andy Franklin	No Report
High School	Don Stone	No Report
Junior	Ryan McCormack	No Report
Membership	Kevin Cook	Work with Don on identifying missing checks for Grants
Referee	Jim Dewhirst	No Report
Safesport	Debbie Barrie	SAHA has the highest workload in the country
SYTHL	Russ Beatse	9 Festivals this weekend; GNASH team suspended from HS league; Chris Powers investigating; For EOY Playoffs, all teams invited and seeding based on Winning Percentage
Tier 1	Yan Kaminsky	Received application from 2021-22 from Jr Preds;
Player Dev	Jack Flynn	Expect decisions to be made during winter meeting on Player Development camps
College / Univ	Paul Petrarca	No Report
Youth	Not Seated	No Repot

Old Business

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New Business

- Review of Spring Programming for rinks after Winter Meetings
- State directors to put together Spring Program plans

- Multiple reminders to be sent

Southern Amateur Hockey Association

Board Meeting Agenda – December 13th, 2020

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern Amateur Hockey Association (“SAHA”) was held on Sunday December 13th, 2020 beginning at 8:00 pm EST/7:00 pm CST via conference call.

The conference call dial in number is (605) 313-5086. The participant access code is: 300310#.

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Roll Call:

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Mike Kotas	(GA) Secretary	Yes	Yan Kaminsky	(GA)	No
Don Stone	(GA) Treasurer	Yes	Paul Petrarca	(AR)	No
Jack Flynn	(TN) 1 st VP	Yes	Kevin Cook	(LA)	Yes
Andy Franklin	(TN)	Yes	Dennis McGuffie	(MS)	Yes

Committee Members / Guests (Non-Voting)

Russ Beatse	SYTHL	Yes	Chris Powers	SE Director	Yes
Debbie Polk	Registrar	Yes	David Polk	Registrar - SE	No
Jim Dewhirst	Referee-in-Chief	No	Rick Murray	Coach-in-Chief	No
Kahlie Singletary	Girls	No	Harry Lekemby		Yes

President’s Update (John Cox)

Treasurer’s Update (Don Stone)

No report

Secretary Update (Mike Kotas)

1) Acceptance of November Board minutes (Vote Approved)

Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)

- 77% Registrants vs Last Year as of December 2nd
- Higher number of rosters being submitted with only 1 coach on the roster; Concern around Safesport; Some small programs may not survive if there is a requirement for more than 1 coach on a roster; Some programs make their parents all get Safesport qualified; Do we require a Safesport protocol from each association?

SE District Director’s Report (Chris Powers)

- Holding tight on Nationals Dates; Coming up with Plan B with a potential pushback. Similarly, for Dec 31st roster finalization and 20/10 rule;
- USA Hockey is around 80% registration YOY; Largest dip is adult registration at around 50%

- USA Hockey still working on Athlete Representation (requiring 33% athlete representation on the Board); Alternatives include expand size of the board; Slowly reduce # of directors in each district;

State Director Updates

- Georgia** – Goaltending Grant at the MadHatters scheduled for Jan 3rd; State Tournament planning underway
- Alabama** - Questions around whether masks are required during games and whether that is mandated or advised against
- Tennessee** - Record numbers for Bellevue house league; Discussion regarding a New Association for women’s hockey; Motion to Approve to the Approve (1 opposed Barrie Yes; Stone No; Flynn Yes; Andy Yes; Kevin Yes; Mike Yes; Dennis Yes
- Mississippi** - No Report
- Arkansas** - No Report
- Louisiana** - Numbers are down at the 8U level

Committee Updates

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chair</u>	<u>Notes</u>
ADM	Ryan McCormack	No Report
Adult	Ryan McCormack	No Report
Audit	John Cox	No Report
Coaching	Rick Murray	No Report
Disabled	Ed Ragland	No Report
DDR	Jack Flynn	A lot of activity; Please respond to emails
Girls	Kahlie Singletary	No Report
Goaltending	Andy Franklin	Heading to Atlanta for Goaltending Clinic; Rick will handle Arkansas goalie clinic;
High School	Don Stone	Bob Mathison pushed back declaration deadline
Junior	Ryan McCormack	No Report
Membership	Kevin Cook	No Report
Referee	Jim Dewhirst	No Report
Safesport	Debbie Barrie	Busy couple of two weeks
SYTHL	Russ Beatse	30 Travel Festivals; 6 teams that could not come due to COVID; 7 festivals this past weekend
Tier 1	Yan Kaminsky	No Report
Player Dev	Jack Flynn	No Report
College / Univ	Paul Petrarca	No Report
Youth	Paul Petrarca	No Report

Old Business

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New Business

Southern Amateur Hockey Association

Board Meeting Agenda – November 8th, 2020

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern Amateur Hockey Association (“SAHA”) was held on Sunday November 8th, 2020 beginning at 8:00 pm EST/7:00 pm CST via conference call.

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MEETING AGENDA

Roll Call:

Board Members (Voting)

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Debbie Barrie	(AL) 2 nd VP	Yes	Ralph Drensek	(AL)	No
Mike Kotas	(GA) Secretary	Yes	Yan Kaminsky	(GA)	No
Don Stone	(GA) Treasurer	Yes	Paul Petrarca	(AR)	Yes
Jack Flynn	(TN) 1 st VP	Yes	Kevin Cook	(LA)	Yes
Andy Franklin	(TN)	No	Dennis McGuffie	(MS)	Yes

Committee Members / Guests (Non-Voting)

Russ Beatse	SYTHL	Yes	Chris Powers	SE Director	Yes
Debbie Polk	Registrar	Yes	David Polk	Registrar - SE	No
Jim Dewhirst	Referee-in-Chief	No	Rick Murray	Coach-in-Chief	Yes
Kahlie Singletary	Girls	Yes			

President’s Update (John Cox)

- District Call end of previous week. All affiliates have some teams for the district tournaments
- PVAHA taken hard line on COVID Requirements
- Some adjustments / Waiver process being considered for 12/31/2020 rostering deadline

Treasurer’s Update (Don Stone)

No report

Secretary Update (Mike Kotas)

- 1) Acceptance of September and October Board Minutes (Approved)

Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)

- Affiliate is down 32% on Mites YOY Registration (AL down 25%, AK 24% GA 25% TN 34% as of 10/31)
- Many Coaches have CEP’s expiring at year’s end

SE District Director’s Report (Chris Powers)

No report – No Calls

State Director Updates

- Georgia –** COVID outbreaks in Duluth 10U's/12U's and Cooler PW House; High School league has had 1-player, going with a symptom-based approach; Atlanta Ice House implemented a policy that if you travel out of affiliate you must come back
- Alabama -** Not much out of Birmingham (Have not filled permanent hockey role or hired a travel director); Huntsville opened house league tryouts on 08NOV; #'s are down on 8U (80 vs 120 LY); House League to start after Christmas; VonBron center down 12/7; Adults are doing well but have had a couple adults diagnosed with COVID
- Tennessee -** Nothing to report in Nashville; Knoxville is on the ice
- Mississippi -** Rink is playing; Gulf Coast was supposed to open this past weekend. Adults in Hattiesberg? Running roller hockey
- Arkansas -** Passed on names to NW Arkansas to qualify for Nationals; Little Rock has started up practices along with some scrimmages
- Louisiana -** Few COVID issues; Shreveport is running LTP and LTS

Committee Updates

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chair</u>	<u>Notes</u>
ADM	Ryan McCormack	No Report
Adult	Ryan McCormack	No Report
Audit	John Cox	No Report
Coaching	Rick Murray	Coordinating clinics at the district level; Only posting clinics at for the next few weeks until they are full. Set the clinics up to 50-55 people per clinic
Disabled	Ed Ragland	No Report
DDR	Jack Flynn	Fletcher Financial Release from KAHA; Motion to uphold the DDR decision (motion approved);
Girls	Kahlie Singletary	Clinics were planned this year but did not have them
Goaltending	Andy Franklin	No Report
High School	Don Stone	
Junior	Ryan McCormack	No Report
Membership	Kevin Cook	1) Update on Grant Applications – Start making notifications this week. Kevin reached out to some programs who have historically made grant requests but have not made them this year. 2) Application for establishment of association (Vanguard Hockey Club); Tennessee Directors to have a side call to discuss and present recommendation
Referee	Jim Dewhirst	No Report
Safesport	Debbie Barrie	Quiet recently;
SYTHL	Russ Beatse	1 st weekend; 7 festivals (14U Duluth AA, 10U Duluth A1, 16U Fire); Duluth has 35+ cases;
Tier 1	Yan Kaminsky	No Report
Player Dev	Jack Flynn	Nashville is the location (April 11 th at Bellevue); Rick has asked that Goalie Nation gets more involve in the Player Development
College / Univ	Paul Petrarca	Most items have been post-poned to the beginning of the year; some colleges have asked to not participate at all;
Youth	Paul Petrarca	Paul has volunteered to be Youth Committee

Old Business

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New Business

Southern Amateur Hockey Association

Board Meeting Agenda – October 18th, 2020

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern Amateur Hockey Association (“SAHA”) was held on Sunday October 18th, 2020 beginning at 8:00 pm EST/7:00 pm CST via conference call.

The conference call dial in number is (605) 313-5086. The participant access code is: 300310#.

MEETING AGENDA

Roll Call:

Board Members (Voting)

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Debbie Barrie	(AL) 2 nd VP	Yes	Ralph Drensek	(AL)	Yes
Mike Kotas	(GA) Secretary	Yes	Yan Kaminsky	(GA)	No
Don Stone	(GA) Treasurer	Yes	Paul Petrarca	(AR)	No
Jack Flynn	(TN) 1 st VP	Yes	Kevin Cook	(LA)	Yes
Andy Franklin	(TN)	No	Dennis McGuffie	(MS)	No

Committee Members / Guests (Non-Voting)

Russ Beatse	SYTHL	Yes	Chris Powers	SE Director	Yes
Debbie Polk	Registrar	Yes	David Polk	Registrar - SE	No
Jim Dewhirst	Referee-in-Chief	No	Rick Murray	Coach-in-Chief	Yes
Kahlie Singletary	Girls	No			

President’s Update (John Cox)

- Affiliate president call on Friday; Huge disparity where affiliates are relative to COVID
- MassHockey had an official test positive; Bad Publicity; NH shut down hockey due to COVID Case
- USA Hockey working on determining if they can have Tier 1 and Tier 2 Nationals, working with Host Sites
- Intend to have Winter Virtual and Summer

Treasurer’s Update (Don Stone)

- No Report

Secretary Update (Mike Kotas)

1. Meeting Minutes approval from Sept 20th deferred to November board meeting

Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)

- 74% registrations of where we ended up with from last year
- Mite (8U) registrations are down. A request for Year over Year break down by State or Association

SE District Director's Report (Chris Powers)

- Mite 8U/6U, nationally 81% of last year, SAHA seems a bit behind; USA Hockey Surplus

State Director Updates

- Georgia** – COVID Cases at AMH with some publicity but handled well; Report of 10U use of Pegs in games at the Pelham rink, will send note over to Jim Dewhirst and Alabama Reps
- Alabama** - Largest Adult registration at Northern Alabama
- Tennessee** - Safesport Hearing but resolved; Knoxville DDR issue resolved, so far no appeals; Variance Requests of goalies from Goalies who did not have a team are going over to Knoxville
- Mississippi** - No Report
- Arkansas** - Arkansas opened up last week; First practice tomorrow
- Louisiana** - Both junior programs are up and running; youth programs are starting up;

Committee Updates

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chair</u>	<u>Notes</u>
ADM	Ryan McCormack	No Report
Adult	Ryan McCormack	No Report
Audit	John Cox	No Report
Coaching	Rick Murray	No Report
Disabled	Ed Ragland	No Report
DDR	Jack Flynn	Significant activity but all going through; Kahlie Singletary female play-up request (14U wants to play 19U) Nashville Girls; Motion to approve but not seconded; Motion does not pass
Girls	Kahlie Singletary	No Report
Goaltending	Andy Franklin	No Report
High School	Don Stone	No Report
Junior	Ryan McCormack	No Report
Membership	Kevin Cook	Plugging away at grant applications; November Board meeting for recommendations
Referee	Jim Dewhirst	No Report
Safesport	Debbie Barrie	Wrapped up local meetings (Hate speech, racial discrimination, rule 410)
SYTHL	Russ Beatse	League Starting up Nov 7/8; Optimistic for the start of the season with COVID Protocols
Tier 1	Yan Kaminsky	No Report
Player Dev	Jack Flynn	No discussion on Player Development thus far
College / Univ	Paul Petrarca	SEC Hockey has left USA Hockey and went to AAU (Reported by Russ Beatse)
Youth	Removed	

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New Business

Southern Amateur Hockey Association

Board Meeting Agenda – September 20th, 2020

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern Amateur Hockey Association (“SAHA”) was held on Sunday September 20th, 2020 beginning at 8:00 pm EST/7:00 pm CST via conference call.

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Mike Kotas	(GA) Secretary	Yes	Yan Kaminsky	(GA)	No
Don Stone	(GA) Treasurer	No	Paul Petrarca	(AR)	No
Jack Flynn	(TN) 1 st VP	Yes	Kevin Cook	(LA)	Yes
Andy Franklin	(TN)	No	Dennis McGuffie	(MS)	No

Committee Members / Guests (Non-Voting)

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President’s Update (John Cox)

- Rcvd Grant Check
- 2 Affiliates (TAHA in Texas is an example; kids from SAHA have to provide approval to TAHA if a player wants to play in TAHA)
- Discuss how to better distribute information out to associations that were discussed during the call

Treasurer’s Update (Don Stone)

- No report

Secretary Update (Mike Kotas)

- 1) Acceptance of August meeting minutes; Approved (7-0)
- 2) Safesport Meeting was held on September 20

Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)

- 86 Teams Registered; 12 Tier II teams; ~62% registration vs LY

SE District Director’s Report (Chris Powers)

- Quiet month from USA Hockey

State Director Updates

- Georgia –** Games have started to kick-off at all the rinks
- Alabama -** Huntsville rink continues to be slowly delayed with opening potentially in December; LTPH and House League both delayed; VonBraun center single sheet Sept 1 – Christmas; 3 hours per weeknight; Pre-season skate for Adult League;
- Tennessee -** Ford / Bellevue / Centennial ice all in place; 1 family member per family can watch the game; Men’s League going well; Jack to check-in with Andy on Adult League Spectators; Tier 1 Coaching additions (Board is the same as LY for Jr Preds); JP Dumont overseeing Nashville Elite program; Knoxville is proceeding; 2 Goalies (16U and 18U) waived to play in Knoxville
- Mississippi -** No Report
- Arkansas -** Little Rock does not have enough players to field at 16U team; State opened up enough for Contact, Practices, and Scrimmages but not games; No update on NW Arkansas
- Louisiana -** Some opening up. Youth programs starting back up; State Fair not starting up which opens up opportunity to start House League a little earlier; Participation #'s should be in line with LY

Committee Updates

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chair</u>	<u>Notes</u>
ADM	Ryan McCormack	No Update
Adult	Ryan McCormack	Debbie and Ryan looking to coordinate an Adult Tournament
Audit	John Cox	No Update
Coaching	Rick Murray	Virtual clinics running; Any coach can sign up for any clinic in the country;
Disabled	Ed Ragland	Not Present
DDR	Jack Flynn	Adult ramping up with some misconduct forms coming in
Girls	Kahlie Singletary	Not Present
Goaltending	Andy Franklin	Not Present
High School	Don Stone	Not Present
Junior	Ryan McCormack	No Update
Membership	Kevin Cook	Few questions on the Grant program
Referee	Jim Dewhirst	Not Present
Safesport	Debbie Barrie	Completed Safesport meeting on September 20th; Safesport Certification and registration look up through Kevin Cook
SYTHL	Russ Beatse	Not Present
Tier 1	Yan Kaminsky	Not Present
Player Dev	Jack Flynn	No update
College / Univ	Paul Petrarca	No Present
Youth	Removed	

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New Business

Southern Amateur Hockey Association

Board Meeting Agenda – August 9th, 2020

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern Amateur Hockey Association (“SAHA”) was held on Sunday August 9th, 2020 beginning at 8:00 pm EST/7:00 pm CST via conference call.

The conference call dial in number is (605) 313-5086. The participant access code is: 300310#.

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Roll Call:

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Debbie Barrie	(AL) 2 nd VP	Yes	Ralph Drensek	(AL)	Yes
Mike Kotas	(GA) Secretary	Yes	Yan Kaminsky	(GA)	Yes
Don Stone	(GA) Treasurer	Yes	Paul Petrarca	(AR)	Yes
Jack Flynn	(TN) 1 st VP	No	Kevin Cook	(LA)	Yes
Andy Franklin	(TN)	Yes	Dennis McGuffie	(MS)	Yes

Committee Members / Guests (Non-Voting)

Russ Beatse	SYTHL	Yes	Chris Powers	SE Director	Yes
Debbie Polk	Registrar	Yes	David Polk	Registrar - SE	Yes
Jim Dewhirst	Referee-in-Chief	No	Rick Murray	Coach-in-Chief	Yes
Kahlie Singletary	Girls	Yes			
Rich Bennett		Yes			

President’s Update (John Cox)

1) Seating of Board Members

Georgia: Don Stone

Alabama: Debbie Barrie

Tennessee: Andy Franklin

Mississippi: Dennis McGuffie

(note that Harry Leckemby has been invited to this call)

2) Board Positions:

- Treasurer – Don Stone retains seat by acclimation (no other nominations)
- Secretary – Mike Kotas retains seat by acclimation (no other nominations)
- 2nd VP – Rich Bennett is no longer on board; (Ryan nominates Debbie Barrie); Debbie has been selected
- 1st VP – Jack Flynn retains seat by acclimation (no other nominations);
- President – John Cox retains seat by acclimation (no other nominations); 2-year term

3) Update Committee Chairs

1st 9 Committees – All Approved (Audit, Disabled, Tier 1, Girls, High School, Membership, SYTHL, Player Dev, College/Univ)

Junior Committee Chair – Ryan desires to transition; No Nominations; Ryan accepts; Approved

Adult Committee Chair – Dennis McGuffie is stepping back; Ryan McCormack nominated; Approved

ADM Committee Chair – Danny Butler has stepped off the board; Ryan McCormack nominated; Approved
Safesport – Rich Bennett no longer on board

4) New Business: Grant Discussion proposal (Kevin Cook)

5) Players playing Tier II travel for someplace other than where we live; Re-Statting that Tier II associations can sign a) Live in Metro Area b) Live in the same state where there is no association at all c) Live in a border city where there is no association at all; Otherwise a waiver must be approved by the board (in by-laws)

Treasurer's Update (Don Stone)

- Schedule a time for a Budget working meeting; Don, John
- Tax return was timely filed by July 15th
- Is it time for a Field Review? USA Hockey is in the midst of Rolling Furloughs; Targeted for 2021

Secretary Update (Mike Kotas)

- 1) Acceptance of July meeting minutes; Approved
 - Added Music City Marauders to the Association Registry
 - Proposed SAHA Calls outlined on page 6
- 2) Registrar Meeting held on August 9th
- 3) SafeSport Meeting to be held once new SafeSport Coordinator Selected
- 4) Set date & Times for President's Meeting and SafeSport Meeting

Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)

- Update on SAHA Registrar Meeting from Sunday August 9th
- Registration #'s: AL 544; AK 41; GA 961; LA 63; TN 1,321; MS 51
- Non-Sanctioned Tournaments meaning zero Insurance coverage and games won't count for NTB;

SE District Director's Report (Chris Powers)

- No new updated; USA Hockey in middle of rolling furloughs
- Process of notification/approval coaching exemption cards from July may have date extended by a year

State Director Updates

- Georgia** – All rinks have a policy in place relating to COVID Restrictions but no Sport related restrictions
- Alabama** - Birmingham has most teams in place; Huntsville rink is behind, most likely at beginning of November; Civic Center is keeping ice in between September and December (since no other demand)
- Tennessee** - Nashville is in Phase 2; All covid procedures and running House Leagues; Travel teams all been selected but unsure when they begin; A will start potentially in October; Potentially a new rink in/near Franklin
- Mississippi** - Nothing out of Biloxi; Adults skating in Jackson; Mandatory Mask policy; Olive Branch is building ice and opening on August 12th
- Arkansas** - Opened up some limited hours at the Jones Center and Little Rock (men's leagues have re-started); Only a youth camp has taken place; Still prohibited from playing games. Desire to start by October 1st
- Louisiana** - Strict restrictions in place (no games are allowed; only small group activities); Shreveport starts to make ice the 2nd week of September

Committee Updates

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chair</u>	<u>Notes</u>
ADM	Ryan McCormack	
Adult	Ryan McCormack	

Audit	John Cox	
Coaching	Rick Murray	Clinics leaning towards all virtual in the fall; Hosting a level 4 virtual country wide; Schedule is dynamic at this time thus coaching clinics are being posted every few days; Attempting to do 1 clinic/week through the fall
Disabled	Ed Ragland	
DDR	Jack Flynn	
Girls	Kahlie Singletary	Nashville and Knoxville girls clinics both cancelled this summer; Reviewing where to re-schedule
Goaltending	Andy Franklin	Nothing to share
High School	Don Stone	
Junior	Ryan McCormack	
Membership	Kevin Cook	Grant Program discussion; Timeline slightly pushed back due to the Pandemic; Rick Murray is suggesting to purchase Intermediate Size nets and Pegs; Allocation will be based on priorities
Referee	Jim Dewhirst	
Safesport	Rich Bennett / Debbie Barrie	No major updates over the summer; All of the background screening is removed from the affiliate level and is now at the National Level; Reviews are at the USA Hockey Level; Congress mandated the USOC increase their funding to the center for Safesport
SYTHL	Russ Beatse	AA scheduling has finished (33 teams already scheduled); For single A, 38 declared vs 28 last year; Host teams required to provide health restrictions/requirements week before team visits;
Tier 1	Yan Kaminsky	
Player Dev	Jack Flynn	Paul Petrarca to help Jack
College / Univ	Paul Petrarca	Discussions with Justin; SEC postponed season until January
Youth	Removed	

Old Business

- ***TABLED*** Goal Peg Use: Discussion continued on Goal Peg use; Rick Murray provided a recommendation on Goal Peg Use for 10U and under however discussion was generated on both providing appropriate pegs & nets (specifically mid-sized nets for squirts); Rick to follow up with Russ Beatse in SYTHL to confer; Decision to implement has been Tabled for 1 year due to COVID-19 and ability to get all associations to required equipment needs; Rick updated that goal pegs and intermediate nets are now part of Block Grant process

New Business