After just finishing our second year of Mountaineer hockey, our family is firmly imbedded within the camaraderie of the amazing VMHC hockey community. With many years ahead of us in the Mountaineers, I would like to help direct the progress of the club, and give back to the past, current, and future families as a representative on the Board of Directors.

I played organized sports from elementary school through college where I played NCAA Division 1 basketball. My time as a player, then as a coach and athletic trainer, instilled in me the values of dedication, hard work, exercise, teamwork, and friendship. These values have proven critical for me as a successful physical therapist and small business owner. Now, as the mom of a Squirt goalie, I would like to help our Mountaineer players learn these same values.

I currently serve as the Secretary of the Eagle Valley Elementary School PTA, manage popcorn sales for Cub Scout Troop 229, and have served on other community and professional boards/committees in the past. Open communication and transparent processes are two things I have brought to those volunteer opportunities, and what I pledge to dedicate myself to as a Board member of VMHC.

As a goalie mom, I will encourage more dedicated physical and emotional training for our netminders. I don't have a girl, but as a female athlete I will bring a valuable perspective to their plight. I also hope to help the families of the younger kids make the transition from rec to club hockey.

Most importantly, however, I want to be a voice for the other parents. I want to ensure the basic details of how our club works and the background of decisions being made are appropriately communicated to our membership, so the club and its player development plan prospers well into the future.

My experience with organized sports, finances, communication, fundraising, and management, along with my dedication to creating the best opportunities for my son and all the other players will serve me well. I hope to bring a fresh, new perspective to the VMHC Board of Directors.