

**EYHA Board Meeting**  
Essex Rink Classroom  
**November 21, 2024 7pm.**

**ATTENDANCE:**

**Board Members Present:** Helen MacAndrews    Sean O’Connell    Jen Villamil  
Joe Baird    Dominic Cloud    Mike Lorenz  
Dave Alofsin    Tracy O’Connell    Renee Soutiere  
Jennifer O’Neil    Rick Villami    Mike Shaw

**Board Members Absent:** Frank Parisi    Chris McGinty    Brianna Yarnell  
Tonra Riehl    Corey Labor    Kim Lassy

**EYHA Community Members:**    None

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Sean O’Connell, President of the Board, called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm.
2. **PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:** Motion to approve [October Jen Villamil](#) motions, **Dominic Cloud** seconds. October 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.)*
  - **Matt Heyer**
    - Inquiry about possibly offering a 16U / 18U split season team next year
    - Split season for 25-26 season - potentially 4 coaches would be interested
    - Board will discuss further - Matt H will submit a formal proposal

4. **Previous Action Items:** *(The purpose of this agenda item is to provide Board members an opportunity to review previous action items)*

**October**

- ~~HELEN: email LiveBarn code to association~~
- ~~HELEN: email uniform requirements to association~~
- ~~KIM: create GameSheet FAQ for schedulers / coaches~~
- ~~TRACY: create GameSheet FAQ for scorekeepers~~
- ~~HELEN: email both GameSheet info to coaches / team parents / schedulers and Board~~
  - JEN: During Registration - offer “bench coach” as an option (non-skating coach)
- Policy Committee: discuss adding parameters around commitment for travel players
  - This should be a conversation between coach / family / Head Coach / VP Travel
  - COREY: touch base with coaches who are struggling with player commitment
- MIKE L: ~~LiveBarn social blast~~ and display LB promotional posters
- DAVE: Yamboree signup genius
- MIKE S: drum up 8U parent volunteers for Yamboree
- ALL: Yamboree volunteers / donations
- ALL: review this doc [HERE](#) to help Jen O with sponsor list

- ~~HELEN: update EYHA Locker Room policy with approved language~~
- ~~RICK: discuss 14U girls combined team at VSAHA special meeting~~
- ~~RICK: to send out Bruins Senators ticket info to available teams~~
- ~~COREY: email to HC's — Team baskets for Yamboree~~

**5. 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.)*

- **EYHA Store (Mike L)**
  - **Earlier store orders -**
    - Bauer stock caused delays
    - HELEN: to email association with update
    - SquadLocker store would be open all year / is more user friendly / Ships to home
- **EYHA Stickers (Mike L)**
  - Mike wants to order EYHA stickers for all teams
  - RENEE will order stickers
- **Yamboree Update (Dave)**
  - **Need more volunteers**
- **Holiday Gathering - Keep December meeting on 12/19 but move to 5:30pm**
  - **Black Flannel / Cider Lab 7:30 pm**

**6. 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.)*

- **Head Coach, Corey Labor (not present, email update)**
  - Reminder to all coaches to finish up CEP before 12/31 or risk being REDLINED for the remainder of the season
- **Girls Director, Brianna Yarnell (not present, email update)**
  - Inquiry from families about using EYHA logo to create signs / banners
  - Questions about player commitment levels - Corey will address
  - Equipment concerns with HOUSE and NEWBEES players having broken equipment or helmets missing pieces. Coaches should check players.
- **VP Travel, Dominic Cloud**
  - SASA Tournaments - We should revisit decision to attend tournaments on Thanksgiving weekend
- **VSAHA rep, Rick Villamil**
  - Dec 10th VSAHA Tournament committee meeting will result in several teams moving tiers.

**7. Next meeting date:**

- **Dec 19, 2024 @ 5:30 pm. Location: Essex Rink Classroom (NOTE SPECIAL TIME)**

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

**9. Adjournment: 9:07 PM**