

NCYHA Draft Agenda January 9th , 2025, 6:30 PM, Middletown Police dept

Attendees: Stephanie, Jen B, Adam, Jill, Margaret, Eric B(phone), Chuck, Aubie, Kelly, Erik K , Jill M

BOD Vote:

Vote to approve December Minutes– Approved

Action Items

#	Person/Position Responsible	Description	Status	Update/Notes
1	Eric Karoli		After xmas	Future conversation about developing an Elite/club level team
2	BOD	Parents night out		Plan Parents Night Out at Gas Lamp. Brian will donate food and find a discount “whalers drink” Eric B–look at calendar for open date–Friday February 28th
3	BOD	Ice at Longplex		Meet with Longplex to reserve home Ice
4	BOD	Open seats		Send out communication on open positions: Scheduler Tournament Director U14 level director Disciplinary Committee (2 members)

Board Updates:

- President:
 - Longplex presentation–will be opening two sheets of ice 2027
 - Need to upload score sheets within 24 hours
 - No games MLK weekend
 - Playoffs March 7-9 Woburn/Thayer
 - Island travel–teams need to attend

- Selects-placed too high
- **RISCHL-**
 - We need to be an active and supportive part of the league--need them so most kids can play at their level
 - League is aware of the lopsided teams
- VP:
- Registrar:
- Coach in Chief:
 - No coaches redlined
 - Tryout dates: after playoffs/Midgets tryout earlier
- Christmas Tournament:
 - Positive feedback overall
 - Many teams made the championship or won
 - Remove Sonesta from list
- Scheduler:
 - More TBD games
 - Tryouts week of March 17th at Boss
- MDP:
 - No significant Mite updates
 - All teams are doing great in their new divisions and will be traveling to Waterville in March
 - Mdp is up to almost 70 skaters with a good spread across the ages. Parents are overall very happy and only one has mentioned a refund.
 - A few have asked about tryouts as they try to plan around sibling tournaments and school vacations. Do we have an approximate timeframe for dates that we are considering yet? I know it is a bit far out and we'll be at the mercy of the schools but wanted to see if it had been discussed and able to be passed on even if just as a subject to change.
- LTS:
 - 50% refunds for Fall LTS Sunday Session impacted families are complete. Our soft "opt-in" for a refund approach worked. Total hit was only ~\$1650
 - Medals have arrived. Jerseys are a week out. Chuck, thanks for playing catch up on these
 - LTS Winter is kicked off. Saturday headcount (57) is similar to the Fall. Wednesday headcount (41) has taken a ~25% hit primarily due to the 4-5 645pm ice times being too late for this age group
 - I need help corralling more LTS Crew Captains. If any of you are up for captaining, please drop your name into this [spreadsheet](#)
- Girl's program:
 - Need to book practice ice for Narwhal in January, February, and March.
 - Trying to set up a scrimmage with Tri-county angels out of Alexio in Taunton for both teams.
 - U10 team invited to Tri-county tournament Feb 21-23rd in Taunton because they are low on teams, have an email out to see if we'd have enough players/coaches.
 - Getting back on planning a girls clinic with Salve and figuring out waivers.
 - Registered both Narwhals for Pot o'Gold.
 - Would love to find one more tournament that is a good fit for them in Spring, but not seeming doable.
- Level Directors:
- Treasurer:
- House League:
 - Scrimmage against SRI (3 scrimmages)
- Equipment Manager:
 - Waiting for glove order
- Player safety:

- Revisions to the Handbook include more explicit clarifications on the organization that will handle the investigation, response and resolution of allegations of misconduct for which the Center has not exercised jurisdiction. In general, USA Hockey will conduct such investigation and/or disciplinary proceedings in matters involving national programs, teams or participants, or national level volunteers or USA Hockey staff but will refer other matters to the applicable Affiliate or Junior league and for handling by the applicable Affiliate, Junior league or Member Program.

Reminder About SafeSport Training Requirements.

The Center requires SafeSport Training after its Core Training to be completed *within 12 months of the prior training.*, Persons who do not complete required training within 12 months will become ineligible to participate (including billeting) until the training is completed. This is a continuing requirement each year. A person whose training expires will have their registration records automatically updated to reflect that they are ineligible for positions that require training. Member Programs are required to prevent persons with expired training from participating in roles where training is required. This would include coaches; officials over 17 years of age as of 12/31 of that season; players over 17 years of age as of 12/31 of that season and that play on a team that allows minor age players; affiliate and local program administrators, employees and volunteers, as well as USA Hockey staff members or national level volunteers. USA Hockey provides notices to persons in advance of and at the time of training expiration, to advise that the person is ineligible to participate.

In conformance with the Center's requirements, USA Hockey's policy requires that all employees and board members of all USA Hockey programs (including adult programs) must complete training.

Locker Room Policy Emphasis:

Locker Room supervision must be a priority for all Member Programs. A significant amount of misconduct occurs in unsupervised locker rooms, and Member Programs can avoid those situations by requiring that their teams always monitor their locker rooms in compliance with USA Hockey requirements. At a minimum, USA Hockey requires that all USA Hockey Member Programs must have at least one responsible screened and trained adult (which may include coaches, managers or other volunteers) present at all times and monitoring the locker room during all team events.

While it is not always possible, two locker room monitors are preferable. Preferred locker room monitoring includes having locker room monitors inside the locker room while Participants are in the locker room; at a minimum, locker room monitors must be in the immediate vicinity outside the locker room (near the door within arm's length and so that the monitor can sufficiently hear inside the locker room) who also regularly and frequently enters the locker room to monitor activity inside. Affiliates and Member Programs may have more strict locker room monitoring requirements, including by always requiring two monitors and/or by requiring that the monitors be inside the locker room.

Affiliate SafeSport Coordinator ([Affiliate SafeSport Coordinators](#)) or to USA Hockey at usahockeysafesport@usahockey.org.

Updates to USA Hockey's Safe Sport Program which **take effect December 31, 2024.**

MAAPP Policies

The policies in the MAAPP are set forth in USA Hockey's Safe Sport Program Handbook. USA Hockey updated its Safe Sport Program Handbook, a copy of which is available online at [Safe Sport Handbook 12-31-2024.pdf](#). **All USA Hockey member programs are required to comply with the USA Hockey Safe Sport Handbook**, including implementation of the requirements of the MAAPP.

How to Report

USA Hockey's Reporting Policy is a vital part of its Safe Sport Program, and an effective reporting policy is crucial to preventing abuse. Section IV of the Safe Sport Handbook contains specifics on the Reporting Policy – for more information on making a report, please also see: www.usahockey.com/makingareport.

The Center has exclusive jurisdiction to investigate and resolve allegations of sexual misconduct within USA Hockey programs. *The Center also has the discretion to accept jurisdiction over other types of misconduct, but for the most part allegations of other types of misconduct, including emotional or physical abuse, bullying, hazing, threats or harassment, or violations of the MAAPP, are investigated and resolved by USA Hockey through its regional Affiliates or local member programs.*

Reports to U.S. Center for SafeSport

If an Adult Participant reasonably suspects that an incident(s) of Child Abuse or Sexual Misconduct has occurred, they must immediately report the incident(s) to the Center as well as applicable law enforcement authorities. Reports to the Center may be made by (1) completing an online report to the Center at www.uscenterforsafesport.org/report-a-concern/ or by (2) calling 833-587-7233.

Reports to USA Hockey

Reports of any allegation of misconduct or other inappropriate behavior that may violate Safe Sport Policies other than Sexual Misconduct or Child Abuse, should be made immediately to USA Hockey or the applicable Affiliate Safe Sport Coordinator, or may also be made to the Center. Reports to USA Hockey may be made by: (1) clicking on the "Report to USA Hockey" link on the USA Hockey Safe Sport Program webpage (www.usahockey.com/makingareport), (2) emailing to usahockeysafesport@usahockey.org, or (3) calling 800-888-4656. The USA Hockey Safe Sport Program webpage contains contact information for each Affiliate Safe Sport Coordinator.

- Travel Coordinator:
 - Nantucket needs spectator counts for transportation.
- Sponsorship:
- Webmaster:

Confirm Future Meeting Schedule: Monthly board meetings, first Wednesday of each month, 6:30 pm.

- February 6th (change to Thursday)