



Angela Brady, Candidate for Registrar

Born and raised in North Florida, I have always been a huge hockey fan. Not sure how that came to be, just remember loving hockey as far back as my memory can take me. Growing up, my sister and I played every organized sport imaginable, at least those that allowed girls! However, the one "sport" we gravitated to the most was street hockey. I remember so vividly throughout my childhood heading to the rec center to commandeer a basketball court (we couldn't play in the street) with my cousins and playing for hours on end. Running around with hard plastic sticks practically as big as we were, taking whacks at a puck somehow seemed empowering! We loved it and every day, I am reminded of those years by the scars on my knees from all the crash and burns! Oh, the good ole days!!

Fast forward... Twenty-four years ago, I moved to Summerville from Savannah, Georgia. My first introduction to hockey in South Carolina was with the Stingrays 20 years ago, as I tagged along with my next-door neighbors to a game. Over the course of the next eight years, I attended games sporadically, routinely sitting in the first row directly behind the home player bench. I can still see the backsides of Concannon, Hehr and Bednar! In 2002, I became a STH and Section 133 became my home away from home. In 2008, I introduced my son Zachary, now 8 years old, to the Stingrays and the world of hockey. Who would've thought one of his first words would be an iteration of hockey..."hock". At 3 years of age, he joined the Kids Club and his passion and love for the game of hockey continues to blossom today. At age 4.5 he began taking skating lessons with Mrs. Tiffany and now 4 years later, he continues one-on-one lessons with Coach Sandy Jackson. Skating automatically turned into playing hockey, insisting he was going to be the Goalie. Against my desire and after much inner turmoil and self-debate, I conceded, he became a Goalie and is entering his fourth year of playing Goalie.

As for who I am, I have a BA in Criminal Justice from the University of Florida. My career path however led me into Healthcare. For 18 years, I was employed with the largest healthcare organization in the US. I held numerous positions from Market Director to Operations Vice President here in South Carolina to Mergers & Acquisition Division Director for the East Florida Division based in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. In 2013, I left Corporate America and became an Independent Healthcare Consultant working with a hospital network in Central Georgia providing consultation and management oversight for their Mergers & Acquisitions initiatives. After successfully aiding their leadership team in creating an internal infrastructure to manage processes in-house, I ended my contract in October 2016. I now have an exciting career as a Licensed Real Estate Professional affiliated with ERA Wilder Realty in Summerville.

Outside of real estate, I currently serve as the treasurer of the South Carolina Stingrays Booster Association (The Stingers), am a member of the Beech Hill Elementary School PTA, volunteer with the Summerville YMCA as a youth soccer coach, volunteer with Lowcountry Blessing Box Project, am a Certified Child Yoga Instructor, volunteer at Wishbone Heritage Farm in St. George, a member of Great Business Networking as well as serve as a foster with the Blue Ridge Boxer Rescue. When free time permits, I horse-back ride, garden, hike the mountains of North Carolina and frequent the beautiful beaches of the Lowcountry.

Over the past couple of years, my work schedule has finally afforded me the opportunity to take on a more active role with CYHA in volunteering at numerous events, promoting our Try Hockey for Free Day and helping whenever there was a need. Recognizing I have a long-term relationship forming with CYHA given Zachary's years of playing that lie ahead, becoming more active in the association is a given. With such, I want to become a direct part of the association leadership team working together with our members to enhance and improve upon our existing program. Thus, my desire to run for the Registrar position. The mere fact that I have a love for hockey, a strong desire to continue contributing to the growth and success of our program, have strong ties to the community and, have a direct stake in our association by having a child who has a passion for the game, makes me a suitable and viable candidate. I would be honored to serve our Charleston Youth Hockey Association members as your next Registrar.

With warm regards,
Angela Brady