

EYHA Board Meeting
Essex Rink Classroom
October 16, 2025 7:00pm

ATTENDANCE:

**Board Members Present:
(9 for quorum)**

Helen MacAndrews	Jen Villamil	Tracy Liebenow
Brianna Yarnell	Rick Villamil	Corey Labor
Dominic Cloud	Sean O'Connell	Tracy O'Connell
Tonra Riehl	Kim Lassy	

Board Members Absent:

Frank Parisi	Dave Alofsin	Mike Lorenz
Chris McGinty	Joe Baird	Renee Soutiere

**EYHA Community
Members:**

none

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** Sean O'Connell, President, called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm.
- 2. PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:** Motion to approve [September](#) minutes, **Rick Villamil** motions **Corey Labor** seconds. September 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.)*
 - None
- 4. Previous Action Items:** *(The purpose of this agenda item is to provide Board members an opportunity to review previous action items)*

- ~~ALL: renew SafeSport and BC (if needed)~~
 - [CURRENT USA Hockey number](#)
 - [SafeSport training](#)
 - [Background screening](#)
 - [Volunteer Code of Conduct form](#) (must complete LAST)

September

- HELEN: reach out to potential board members from registration data
- RENEE: Create Skills Bag that stays with Joe for Advanced Skills
- ~~HELEN / JEN: Parent meetings / schedule Committee meeting~~
- TRACY O / RENEE: Calcutta (possibly 1/31 or 2/1)
- ~~HELEN: email association by 9/24~~
- ~~GAMESHEET: updates~~
- HELEN: send email to families about LiveBarn
- ~~MIKE: Post LiveBarn on socials~~
- ~~KIM: email Gamesheet code to schedulers~~
- ~~MIKE: talk to SE about connecting to GameSheet~~
- ~~COREY: plan coaches meeting with Tonra (preferably Thursdays)~~
- ~~RENEE: Will hand out coaches bags by end of September~~
- TONRA: Check with On Tap for pull tabs

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.)*

- **Adding remote options to meetings:**
 - Helen / Rick will look into logistics
 - Create parameters about board member attendance
- **LiveBarn**
 - Promo code: esf1-live
 - Discussion: keeping LiveBarn unlocked during EYHA practices and EYHA games unless specific teams want it locked.
- **Player development**
 - Discussion to clarify refund policy in P & P
- **McDonalds Fundraiser - Nov 6 (Tracy L)**
 - 5pm - 7pm @ 71 Upper Main Street (by Hannaford)
 - Villamil Zamboni will be there
- **Any Championship Banners can be hung at Waterbury - Give to Kim Lassy**
- **Yamboree**
 - Weekend after Thanksgiving
 - Sponsorship needed - reach out to Tracy Liebenow
 - Needs:
 - Email to 8U families about volunteer expectations
 - Baskets from Travel Teams
 - Signup genius (Rick)
 - Raffle 1 Calcutta ball
 - Advertise Calcutta
- **Calcutta**
 - Discussion of date and how best to advertise
- **Tournaments**
 - Discussion of tournaments
 - Pay to play & tournaments for T5
- **Weather related ice cancelations**
 - NOTE: if weather is bad; teams can cancel practices at Waterbury without major financial repercussions - up to discretion of the coach - should connect with Ice Scheduler - Kim Lassy

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.)*

- **VSAHA Rep:**
 - Make sure that all out of state games are USA Hockey or Hockey Canada
 - VT is the only state in NE District that had POSITIVE officials growth
 - Abuse of Officials incidents increasing
 - 1616 initiative - emails of 12U and 14U head coaches needed
 - Coaches at 6U and 8U level have new coaching module
 - NED signups by Nov 1st & changing format - Helen to email

Other notes:

- Rick is working with EHS facilities to hang championship plaques
- Annual Sportsmanship plaques will be updated

7. **Next meeting date:**
 - **November 20, 2025 @ 7:00 pm. Location: Essex Rink Classroom**
8. **Executive Session (if needed):**
 - Executive Board goes into executive session**
9. **Adjournment: 9:21 PM**