



**Mission:** The Upper Valley Hockey Association is a volunteer run association whose mission is to introduce the youth of the greater Upper Valley to the game of hockey, so that every child in the program can enjoy a positive experience through sportsmanship, teamwork, integrity, and respect for all individuals, while developing a love for the game.

### UVHA MAY BOARD MEETING

#### Minutes

Wednesday, May 15 · 7:00 – 8:00 pm

Attendees: Will Meyer, Allison Mancuso, Josh Obar, Dana Wright, Justin Montabianci, Megan O'Neil, Meredith Martin-Mayhew, Ella Zhang, Josh Flanders

Meeting Called to Order: 7:05 pm

1. Approval of Minutes from the April Meeting
  - a. Motion to approve by Allison, Seconded by Dana. Minutes approved.
2. Referee In Chief- Justin Montebianchi joined the meeting to speak about how the season went. He thanked our association for the communication this year and felt overall the year went very smoothly. Justin sent out a survey to both associations and only got 8 responses total. He wants to talk to the coaches at the start of the season about working together to have good sportsmanship. Justin will continue to enforce equipment violations (neck guards and mouthguards). He will get together with Will, Brock, and HHA in August to get Horizon ready for the season and thinks everyone is in agreement to continue using it moving forward. Finally, Justin asked that we don't schedule associations for non-league games that cause issues with the officials. Will should follow-up with Allison. She is going to make notes to share with the coaches at the fall meetings.
3. Age Group Roster Updates
  - a. 14u (Will) - The Board is still working to finalize the roster situation at 14U. Three skaters need to be placed in the fall. We have a little bit of time to sort out the rosters, no later than July 1st (order deadline for jerseys).
  - b. 12u (Josh) - Rosters are set and everyone is registered.
  - c. 8u (Jen) - Registration is open! Don't forget to register before June 30th to get \$50 off your registration. Jen will ask Denise to do a couple posts over the coming months to remind people to register.
  - d. 10u - Roster Discussion- The board had a lengthy discussion about large vs small rosters and the pros and cons of each. Most board members present were in favor of keeping the smaller rosters when possible to increase puck touches. Board members who dissented wanted the larger rosters so that kids didn't get as tired during games and there was less strain on families to have to make every game. Overall it was a healthy discussion. Will was going to reach out to the two families who were asking to join at 10U and see how serious they were about playing the upcoming season before making a decision about two versus three teams.
4. End of Season Survey Results Discussion
  - a. [Swarm](#)
    - i. Overall the season went well. The feedback showed that the skills sessions are a huge asset of our program. Some feedback asked for individual meetings with the coaches. We need to set a cell phone policy for next season.
  - b. [Storm](#)
    - i. Overall the feedback was positive for the season. The three teams at 10u and the tough season for silver was evident in the feedback. The board discussed changing where skills fall during the week in order to accommodate extra ice needed for three teams, girls skates, and goalie clinics.
5. Monthly Reports
  - a. Coaching Coordinator/Registrar: Allison reported that she has no updates.
  - b. Safesport Coordinator: Megan confirmed Terence is in to continue with this role for the upcoming season.
  - c. NH State Representative

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- i. No meeting until June 22nd (Annual Meeting) Monthly NHAHA Meeting Update
- d. Girls Development: Allison still needs info from Tom but is willing to help coordinate.
- e. Fundraising
  - i. Covered Bridges Half Marathon: Will has two volunteers (one family so far). We need to email the association again.
  - ii. Flanders Fundraising Update: Doesn't have an answer from Casinos. Did hear back from one golf course. \$600 per team in a scramble. We could have one at Carter towards the end of the summer and have date flexibility. Josh Flanders is going to run point on this.
- f. Scheduler: No update
- g. Equipment Manager
  - i. Stateline Team Store Update- Will has been working with Stateline to have a store front presence. Also looking at moving jerseys there but will depend on pricing. Will also started a draft online store with them.
  - ii. Jersey Fittings - June 11th 5-7pm
- h. Treasurer
  - i. Budget Update - Next month
- i. Marketing/Social Media Manager- No Update
- j. Safety/Concussion: Josh is going to ask Heather if she wants to continue in this role.

**Meeting Adjourned at 8:05 pm**