



Minutes

From

August 13<sup>th</sup> 2022

Board Meeting

Southern Amateur Hockey Association

Ward Hillegas

SAHA Board Secretary

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Jack Flynn	(TN) President	Yes	Kevin Cook	(LA)	Yes
Andy Franklin	(TN)	Yes	Aaron Burtosch	(MS)	Yes

### Committee Members / Guests (Non-Voting)

Russ Beatse	SYTHL	No	Chris Powers	SE Director	Yes
Debbie Polk	Registrar	Yes	David Polk	Registrar – SE	Yes
Jim Dewhirst	Referee-in-Chief	No	Rick Murray	Coach-in-Chief	Yes
Kahlie Singletary	Girls	No			

### President’s Update (Jack Flynn)

July minutes were approved. Officers and Committee Chairpersons were appointed for the 2022-23 season and voted in by the board. (see below).

### Treasurer’s Update (Don Stone)

Don presented the 2022-23 for discussion to the board. Board unanimously approved the budget. One topic of discussion was the \$5000 given to SYTHL for the Squirt Leveling Tournament. It was pointed out that SYTHL is not a member of SAHA and giving money to a non-member is in question, thus SYTHL needs to become a member. Don will have this discussion with Russ

### Secretary Update (Ward Hillegas)

Gave the secretary’s report at the Annual Board meeting

### Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)

Gave the Registrar’s report at the Annual Board meeting

### SE District Director’s Report (Chris Powers)

SE District added 8 new voting members. District Tournament rules/admin has been updated as well as adding a new treasurer. There is also new leadership handling the District Tournament.

## **2022-2023 Board Positions and Committee Chairpersons**

**President:** Jack Flynn  
**Vice President:** Debbie Barrie  
**Secretary:** Ward Hillegas  
**Treasurer:** Don Stone

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**Adult** Aaron Bartosch  
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N/A

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N/A

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<b>President’s Update (Jack Flynn)</b> No quorum so August minutes could not be approved. President’s meeting in October in Nashville. First meeting of this type ever. Will discuss DE&I items. Jack is on a Task force for Tier I recruiting-discuss how recruiting takes place; what can actually be enforced. Concerned on the variance process and how time consuming it is.					
<b>Treasurer’s Update (Don Stone)</b> Not Present					
<b>Secretary Update (Ward Hillegas)</b> Not Present					
<b>Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)</b> 124 approved teams. 21 Tier II NTB teams and 4 Tier I teams. 6387 registered players to date. Two associations have been very helpful with sending in house rosters- NW Arkansas and Knoxville. Still no adult teams registered in any of SAHA. 126 coaches need CEP updated by December 31 <sup>st</sup> of this year.					
<b>SE District Director’s Report (Chris Powers)</b> Not Present					

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High School Declarations used to be first come first served but they asked for it to be put back to November 15<sup>th</sup> which was excepted.

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### Old Business

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9/11/22			All SAHA affiliate U-10 teams will use 48" nets moving forward
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<b>President’s Update (Jack Flynn)</b> A motion to approve both Aug/Sept minutes. Don made the motion and Debbie B. the 2 <sup>nd</sup> . Minutes were approved. A president’s meeting will be held in Nashville Oct 21 <sup>st</sup> -23 <sup>rd</sup> . First meeting ever. Tier I tryouts & recruiting will be discussed.					
<b>Treasurer’s Update (Don Stone)</b> Regarding SYTHL’s request for a \$5000 grant, Don asked Russ to explain what SYTHL is and its relationship to SAHA. After Russ explained the relationship, how long it’s be going on, that SYTHL is in-standing as a Non-Profit, Don made a motion to give SYTHL the \$5000 grant asked for. Kevin 2 <sup>nd</sup> and it was approved					
<b>Secretary Update (Ward Hillegas)</b> There was nothing to report but a Thank you went out to Debbie Polk for taking the minutes at the Sept board meeting					
<b>Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)</b> 159 teams have registered for the 2022-23 season. 22 teams are National Tournament bound. A notice went out to coaches needing CEP updates. 133 coaches need updates by 12/31.					
<b>SE District Director’s Report (Chris Powers)</b> N/A					

## State Director Updates

**Georgia** N/A

**Alabama** Travel teams up & going. SYTHL started. House league starts next week

**Tennessee** Preds & youth teams going. Clarksville is starting and Andy F. is going over to run that organization. Knoxville had ice issues earlier due to glycol issue. 108 players at the U8 level

**Mississippi** N/A

**Arkansas** Little Rock registration is up. Will be starting by end of month. Chris Crews from NWAHA stated that Learn to Play is going. The travel teams are up and running. Six teams in the MO. League. HS program has started as well.

**Louisiana** Youth just started registration. Learn to Skate #'s are good. HS and JV teams playing in TX.

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<b>Committee</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>Notes</b>
ADM	Yan Kaminsky	N/A
Adult	Aaron Bartosch	N/A
Audit	Kevin Cook	N/A
Coaching	Rick Murray	Clinics rolling. Posting classes 6 weeks out
Disabled	Ward Hillegas	N/A
DDR	Ralph Drensek	N/A
Girls	Debbie Barrie / Kahlie Singletary	Working on guidelines for Tier II rostering teams. Will present at next month's meeting
Goaltending	Rick Murray/ Andy Franklin	Bronze National Clinics will run Sept through Dec
High School	Andy Franklin	Sent declarations out to all affiliations
Junior	Don Stone	N/A
Membership	Kevin Cook	Extended Grant Deadline to 10/15
Referee	Paul Dixon/ Jim Dewhirst	Trying to get Refs renewals completed. 40 at Level I. Drop offs less than last year. Looking at grants to help with cost to new refs
SafeSport	Debbie Barrie	3-4 complaints so far-none were SafeSport. USA Hockey working on program to educate people on SafeSports. A meeting will be held on 10/26.
SYTHL	Russ Beatse	Discuss intermediate nets
Tier 1	Kevin Cook	N/A
Player Dev	Jack Flynn	N/A
College / Univ	Ralph Drensek	N/A
Youth	Ryan McCormack	N/A

DEI Chris Powers/Jack Flynn N/A

## Old Business

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## New Business

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10/9/22	<b>Use of Interm nets</b>	Don Stone	<p>Present a motion SAHA should eliminate the use of intermediate nets during the 2022-23 season for SYTHL.</p> <p>Discussions were centered around some programs having 54” nets and others with 48” nets. Also comments on how this should have been tested first before implemented. Other comments centered around many affiliate’s never responded to the SAHA Questionnaire sent out and those that did were in favor of it. It was decided that since this topic needed more discussion and wasn’t brought up until the end of our meeting that we would table the motion and hold a special meeting on Thursday, 10/13.</p> <p>We started the meeting by Don making a motion to take the original motion off the table and back on the table for discussion. Ryan 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Jack then summarized the motion, the discussions that we had previously at the 10/9 board meeting and then put on the table that for the 2022-23 season that SAHA would suspend the implantation of By-Law 26.6 for Travel Teams (U10). However, house teams at the U8 &amp; U10 level would continue to use the smaller nets outlined in By-Law 26.6. A vote was taken by the SAHA board. Of the 9 board members present all 9 voted to approve the motion as stated.</p>
10/13/22			

10/9/22	Girls Tier II	Debbie Barrie	Present a document to the board to provide guidance on rostering Girls Tier II programs in SAHA
	Roster Policy	Kahlie Singletary	

Nets in SYTHL





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Paul Dixon	(GA)	Yes	Yan Kaminsky	(GA)	No
Don Stone	(GA) Treasurer	Yes	Ward Hillegas	(AR) Secretary	Yes
Jack Flynn	(TN) President	Yes	Kevin Cook	(LA)	Yes
Andy Franklin	(TN)	No	Aaron Burtosch	(MS)	Yes
<b>Committee Members / Guests (Non-Voting)</b>					
Russ Beatse	SYTHL	Yes	Chris Powers	SE Director	No
Debbie Polk	Registrar	Yes	David Polk	Registrar - SE	No
Jim Dewhirst	Referee-in-Chief	No	Rick Murray	Coach-in-Chief	Yes
Kahlie Singletary	Girls	No			
<b>President’s Update (Jack Flynn)</b>					
First President’s meeting-Looking at creating a task force for Tier I recruiting-controlling what/how it is conducted. Presenting this at the Winter Conference. Also question brought up on how many coaches should be allowed on the bench.					
<b>Treasurer’s Update (Don Stone)</b>					
N/A					
<b>Secretary Update (Ward Hillegas)</b>					
A motion to approve the minutes from October’s Board Meeting was made by Kevin, Rob 2 <sup>nd</sup> the motion. Minutes were approved. Four reps from 4 associations participated in our meeting: Isaac Lee from Mid-South, Britt Cesarone from Music City, Kristin Cardel from Lady Thrashers and Allie LaCombe from Nashville Warriors.					
<b>Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)</b>					
178 approved teams, 4 disabled teams. Still 100 coaches need their CEP					
<b>SE District Director’s Report (Chris Powers)</b>					
N/A					

## State Director Updates

### Georgia

N/A

### Alabama

N/A

### Tennessee

Tier I Natl Declarations need to be filled out if/not attending

### Mississippi

N/A

### Arkansas

NW HS team has declared for Nationals. House Program doing very well

### Louisiana

N/A

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<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chair</u>	<u>Notes</u>
ADM	Yan Kaminsky	N/A
Adult	Aaron Bartosch	N/A
Audit	Kevin Cook	N/A
Coaching	Rick Murray	2 coach's clinics/wk over 120 wks. A lot of coaches have signed up but not from SE
Disabled	Ward Hillegas	N/A
DDR	Ralph Drensek	23 variances-21 approved. Working on a ref issue right now
Girls	Debbie Barrie / Kahlie Singletary	Report is not finalized yet. Memphis lost 11 players this year. Girls development program next month and Girls Summit next month
Goaltending	Rick Murray/ Andy Franklin	Running Bronze and Silver Camps. 50 signed up for Silver
High School	Andy Franklin	HS Declarations due by Nov 15th
Junior	Don Stone	N/A
Membership	Kevin Cook	Just a few have turned in grants (13). Everything is within budget
Referee	Paul Dixon/ Jim Dewhirst	Ref registration is up from last year. Working on mid-season seminars.
SafeSport	Debbie Barrie	N/A
SYTHL	Russ Beatse	Over 200 games played so far. Annual meeting Aug 19 <sup>th</sup> . Tier II tryouts hosted by Huntsville in April. Question brought up about electronic scoring and if it's a problem. Further discussions to come.
Tier 1	Kevin Cook	N/A
Player Dev	Jack Flynn	N/A
College / Univ	Ralph Drensek	College Hockey South under different governing body
Youth	Ryan McCormack	N/A

DEI Chris Powers/Jack Flynn Still forming committee

**Old Business**

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11/13			Tabled for later discussion
11/13/22	Girls Tier II Roster Policy	Debbie Barrie Kahlie Singletary	Present a written recommendation to the board to provide guidance on rostering Girls Tier II programs in SAHA
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<b>President’s Update (Jack Flynn)</b> Suggestion to change Board Meetings from Sundays to a day during the week. Members to email Jack on days that work best for them. Start time stays the same. Winter meeting in FL. Task force Tier I recruiting committee to be established.					
<b>Treasurer’s Update (Don Stone)</b> Grant checks going out tomorrow					
<b>Secretary Update (Ward Hillegas)</b> Mo requested we move the Tier II tryout date to start on a the 24 <sup>th</sup> instead of 25th. Too late for this season. By-Laws dictate when things start. Kristen Cardell and Teddy Rotenberger attended meeting. Motion to approve November minutes by Rob...Kevin 2 <sup>nd</sup> the motion.					
<b>Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)</b> National tournament bound teams booklets go out this month. Everyone has to turn in a roster book. 67 coaches need CEP’s. Concern more coaches on bench then allowed					
<b>SE District Director’s Report (Chris Powers)</b>					
N/A					

## State Director Updates

### Georgia

N/A

### Alabama

All going well. #'s consistent with last year

### Tennessee

Clarksville starting programming in May

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Audit	Kevin Cook	Off Year
Coaching	Rick Murray	Clinics winding down. Remaining clinics will be open to all on Monday. 5 clinics left in district. 2250 coaches certified this year
Disabled	Ward Hillegas	N/A
DDR	Ralph Drensek	Couple of items dealt with
Girls	Debbie Barrie / Kahlie Singletary	N/A
Goaltending	Rick Murray/ Andy Franklin	Bronze Clinics finished and Silver Camps next week.
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Membership	Kevin Cook	Grant process complete. Checks going out.
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Tier 1	Kevin Cook	N/A
Player Dev	Jack Flynn	Registration opens in January. Camp April 13 <sup>th</sup> at the Cooler
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# Southern Amateur Hockey Association

## Board Meeting Minutes – November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern Amateur Hockey Association (“SAHA”) was held on November 13th, 2022 beginning at 7:00PM CST on Zoom.

<b>Roll Call Board Members (Voting)</b>					
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<b>Committee Members / Guests (Non-Voting)</b>					
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Jim Dewhirst	Referee-in-Chief	No	Rick Murray	Coach-in-Chief	Yes
Kahlie Singletary	Girls	Yes			
<b>President’s Update (Jack Flynn)</b> Thank you to everyone attending. Attended the USA Hockey Winter meeting. Athletes must now make up 33% of the board. This is to include committees as well. Only 30 board members will be voting members. This started in January. There were rule changes involving Tier II programs and clarifications regarding SafeSports. Also discussed issues/guidelines for in season recruiting.					
<b>Treasurer’s Update (Don Stone)</b> Nothing going on right now. Will begin working on 23-24 budget soon					
<b>Secretary Update (Ward Hillegas)</b> We did not have a quorum for January Board meeting so there were no minutes to approve. The following associations attended or Winter Meeting-Isaac Lee-Memphis, Isaac Thompson-Music City, Teddy Rotenberger-Nashville Preds, Liam Tully-Madhatters, Christine Akins-Knoxville, Jeffery Richards-NWAHA & Byran Hince-ProVision.					
<b>Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)</b> Attended Winter Meeting in Orlando. SAHA had a total of 8938 players registrations this year. We are the 3 <sup>rd</sup> largest district in the US. Have received 5 teams books for Nationals to date. Next year all House & Travel teams must roster/register all players. Only 10 coaches do not have current CEP.					
<b>SE District Director’s Report (Chris Powers)</b> SAHA had McKenzie Steffen attend the “Game on Summit” in Seattle. The summit was designed to discuss how to grow women’s hockey. 75 different affiliates were represented. It was a 3-day conference with guest speakers from around the women’s hockey world. It helped give ideas on creating By-laws for SAHA and the Women/Girls programs.					

## State Director Updates

**Georgia** Working towards U18-U16 & U14 tournaments

**Alabama** 3 teams going on to Nationals

**Tennessee** Tier II State tournament moving forward. No disciplinary issues at this time

**Mississippi** Nothing going on at this time

**Arkansas** In Little Rock the U12 team is in first place in the MO league they are playing in. That is the associations only travel team. In NWAHA they have two teams at each age level which is growth from last year. Their HS team is headed to Nationals.

**Louisiana** Shreveport program is growing. The Lafayette program is struggling. A NAPHL Team is possibly coming into the Baton Rouge market in the near future.

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<b>Committee</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>Notes</b>
ADM	Yan Kaminsky	Nothing going on at this time
Adult	Aaron Bartosch	Nothing going on at this time
Audit	Kevin Cook	Off Year so nothing going on
Coaching	Rick Murray	Wrapped up coaches clinics. 2250 coaches certified in the district this year
Disabled	Ward Hillegas	Currently four teams in Nashville and one team in Louisiana.
DDR	Ralph Drensek	Match Penalties and Residence Issues have been the major issues this season
Girls	Debbie Barrie / Kahlie Singletary	No big reports. The Nashville programs have seen an increase bringing them back to the numbers they had in 2008-09 season
Goaltending	Rick Murray/ Andy Franklin	Recently completed 4 Bronze and 1 Silver clinic. Revamping clinics for the upcoming season. A lot of the quick change equipment has arrived
High School	Andy Franklin	N/A
Junior	Don Stone	Nothing to report at this time
Membership	Kevin Cook	A good year for grants. The focus was more on DEI grants this year
Referee	Paul Dixon/ Jim Dewhirst	USA Hockey working on changing format for official's certification
SafeSport	Debbie Barrie	Certification is changing from Annual to Seasonal. By-laws state that disciplinary action is handled at local and district level. If don't except action then it goes to a hearing. A lot of confusion as what is/isn't a SafeSport issue. SAHA to send out explanation as to what meets a SafeSport issue. USA Hockey creating a portal to report SafeSport issues.
SYTHL	Russ Beatse	N/A
Tier 1	Kevin Cook	Nashville Preds submitted Tier I application. Working on updating any By-laws
Player Dev	Jack Flynn	Massive growth this year. Registrations are 25% higher at this time over last year. Expenses have increased (hotels, jerseys, travel, etc. so fees will have to increase next year. May have to look at closing registration at some age levels due to numbers.

College / Univ	Ralph Drensek	No changes with USA Hockey but AAU have increased their presence in ACHA hockey
Youth	Ryan McCormack	Change in tryout dates and times to Tier I tryouts. Will have to change SAHA By-laws regarding this.

DEI Chris Powers/Jack Flynn CAHA is using interns and offering things like floor hockey to introduce hockey to kids in underprivileged markets. Nashville has started an outreach program. Trying to develop ways to cover the cost of DEI training for affiliates. Biggest challenge is that rinks in larger markets are already at capacity so not always focused on this issue.

### Old Business

Date	Topic	Owner	Narrative
11/13/22	Girls Tier II Roster Policy	Debbie Barrie Kahlie Singletary	Present a written recommendation to the board to provide guidance on rostering Girls Tier II programs in SAHA
2/11		Jack Flynn	Some markets do not have enough players to fill a team so they recruit in other markets. Currently we have a working document however some issues need to be addressed and will continue to work on it. Will update board at the March meeting.
2/11	Monthly Board Meetings	Jack Flynn	It was discussed and voted on back in December that due to challenges with participation in our board meetings that we would change the day of our board meetings. It was announced in our Winter Board meeting that the SAHA Board meetings would be moved to the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month. This was incorrect. The meetings will be held the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month. This does not include the Annual Board meeting and the Winter Board meeting.

### New Business

Date	Topic	Owner	Narrative
2/11	Calendar	Kevin Cook	Currently our on-line calendar is not current with our new meeting dates. Kevin will update the on-line SAHA calendar to reflect the new day/dates for the SAHA monthly board meetings.
2/11	Tier I	Kevin Cook	Currently we do not have a means to track vertical ply ups in Tier I. To work on presenting a program/policy regarding vertical play up tracking.

2/11	<b>Tier I</b>	Kevin Cook	Currently our By-laws do not meet the National guidelines. Submit By-law amendment for Tier I tryouts to refer to National guidelines.
2/11	<b>Intermediate Nets</b>	Rick Murray	Currently the SAHA By-laws do not address the 48" nets. Rick will submit a By-law amendment to address both the 54' nets and the 48' nets.





Minutes From  
March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
Sothern Amateur Hockey Association  
Board Meeting  
Ward Hillegas  
SAHA Board Secretary

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<b>September 2022</b>			
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31st	Last day to change youth, girls, Tier I & Tier II national bound roster		
31st	Last day for coaches to meet minimum CEP requirements		
<b>January 2023</b>			
8th	SAHA Board Meeting	Zoom	
10th	Youth Tier I applications due		24.2.4
11-14th	USA Hockey Winter Meetings		

15th	State Directors report # of national bound teams		24.3.1.b
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3rd	Latest date for Tier I tryout announcement. Announcements can be made 2 days after application approval.		
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<b>June 2023</b>			
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# Southern Amateur Hockey Association

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Jim Dewhirst	Referee-in-Chief	No	Rick Murray	Coach-in-Chief	Yes
Kahlie Singletary	Girls	No			
<b>President’s Update (Jack Flynn) N/A</b>					
<b>Treasurer’s Update (Don Stone) N/A</b>					
<b>Secretary Update (Ward Hillegas)</b> A motion to approve February minutes was made by Don and Paul 2 <sup>nd</sup> that motion. Minutes were approved. Affiliates present were Britt Cesarone from Marauders, Jason from Knoxville, Bryne Hince from Pro Vision, Josh Allison from Knoxville and Jeffery Richards from NWAHA.					
<b>Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)</b> Attending districts Tier I tournament. Talk of educating folks on credentialing scoresheets.					
<b>SE District Director’s Report (Chris Powers) N/A</b>					

## State Director Updates

### Georgia

Playoffs last weekend. Nothing else going on

### Alabama

House league ended. 3 travel teams going to Nationals

### Tennessee

Tier II playdowns last weekend. Nothing else going on.

### Mississippi

One month left for house league teams. Travel U10&12 have ended

### Arkansas

Little Rock U12 Travel team did very well in the Missouri League. Some friendlies with Memphis coming up. NWAHA had 6 teams in the Missouri League. HS team going to Nationals.

### Louisiana

N/A

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<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chair</u>	<u>Notes</u>
ADM	Yan Kaminsky	N/A
Adult	Aaron Bartosch	N/A
Audit	Kevin Cook	N/A
Coaching	Rick Murray	Level 5 clinic coming up. National training for instructors scheduled.
Disabled	Ward Hillegas	N/A
DDR	Ralph Drensek	Working on a U14 issue regarding player eligibility
Girls	Debbie Barrie / Kahlie Singletary	N/A
Goaltending	Rick Murray/ Andy Franklin	Goalie National Training in Colorado Springs for coaches to be held in June
High School	Andy Franklin	N/A
Junior	Don Stone	N/A
Membership	Kevin Cook	N/A
Referee	Paul Dixon/ Jim Dewhirst	Working on training refs on how to report issues better
SafeSport	Debbie Barrie	N/A
SYTHL	Russ Beatse	Season finished, most teams ever. Elite league will continue. Teams from Evansville, IL and Kentucky will join next year. Will use electronic scoresheets next year.
Tier 1	Kevin Cook	N/A
Player Dev	Jack Flynn	Changed vendor this year and saved a lot of money. Will still have to increase entry fees for next year due to higher expenses.
College / Univ	Ralph Drensek	N/A
Youth	Ryan McCormack	N/A
DEI	Chris Powers/Jack Flynn	Have outline on program to present at next board meeting.

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3/9	Girls Roster Policy	Jack Flynn	Currently we have a working document however some issues need to be addressed and will continue to work on it. Jack will update board at the March meeting. Don motioned to except this document to change rule 25.0. Paul 2 <sup>nd</sup> it. The board voted on it and approved the new ruling. Ryan abstained from voting.
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3/9	Intermediate Nets	Rick Murray	Rick will update us at our March meeting. Don made a motion to take Intermediate Nets out of Bylaws and put it into Operating Rules. Ward 2 <sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion voted on and approved. Ward made a motion to accept the new operating rule for Intermediate nets Rick proposed. Paul 2 <sup>nd</sup> the motion. The motion was voted on and approved. Don voted against the new proposal.

New  
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3/9	Annual Meeting	Jack Flynn	Discussion on whether we should hold the SAHA Annual meeting in person this year in Nashville on August 12 <sup>th</sup> or in Huntsville on August 19 <sup>th</sup> which is the weekend of the Squirt playdowns in Huntsville. Jack is going to send out a survey to board members regarding their preference later in the week with a May deadline to respond.
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April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Southern Amateur Hockey Association

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Ward Hillegas

SAHA Board Secretary

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<b>Committee Members / Guests (Non-Voting)</b>					
Russ Beatse	SYTHL	No	Chris Powers	SE Director	No
Debbie Polk	Registrar	Yes	David Polk	Registrar - SE	No
Jim Dewhirst	Referee-in-Chief	No	Rick Murray	Coach-in-Chief	No
Kahlie Singletary	Girls	No			
<b>President’s Update (Jack Flynn)</b> Preparing for the Presidents Meeting in June. Have been doing monthly zoom meetings since the presidents starting meeting.					
<b>Treasurer’s Update (Don Stone)</b> N/A					
<b>Secretary Update (Ward Hillegas)</b> Motion to approve March minutes was made by Debbie Barrie, 2 <sup>nd</sup> by Paul Dixon. Minutes were approved. Affiliates that attended April meeting were Isaac Thompson from Music City and Brian Williams from Nashville.					
<b>Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)</b> SAHA had 3 National Championship teams crowned this year. Some spring teams are playing right now. Next year all teams must register including house league teams.					
<b>SE District Director’s Report (Chris Powers)</b> SE District is voting in a new Disabled Hockey Director to the board. Chris was also re-elected as the SE District Director.					

## State Director Updates

**Georgia** N/A

**Alabama** Thunder are National Champions. Adult League is finishing

**Tennessee** New Association request was made for the Memphis Amateur Hockey Association. They are currently based out of the Memphis rink but would now be a non-profit organization.

**Mississippi** N/A

**Arkansas** Next season Little Rock will have both a U12 & U14 Travel Team that will play in the MO League

**Louisiana** Baton Rouge will have an FPHL team next fall.

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Junior	Don Stone	NAHL Board voted in a new NAHL team in the Northeast
Membership	Kevin Cook	N/A
Referee	Paul Dixon/ Jim Dewhirst	N/A
SafeSport	Debbie Barrie	A lot of people abused SafeSport this year. An education is needed to inform people was is and isn't a SafeSport issue to eliminate abuse in the future.
SYTHL	Russ Beatse	N/A
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3/9			This was a one-off issue due to Passover falling on this date. This issue is closed
New Business			
3/9	Annual Meeting	Jack Flynn	Discussion on whether we should hold the SAHA Annual meeting in person this year in Nashville on August 12 <sup>th</sup> or in Huntsville on August 19 <sup>th</sup> which is the weekend of the Squirt playdowns in Huntsville. Jack is going to send out a survey to board members regarding their preference later in the week with a May deadline to respond.
3/9			Survey went out to all the Board Members and it was determined that the Annual Meeting will be held in Nashville on August 12 <sup>th</sup> . Ward will start working on location, invitations, etc. for the meeting.

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# Southern Amateur Hockey Association

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Debbie Barrie	(AL) 2 <sup>nd</sup> VP	Yes	Ralph Drensek	(AL) 1 <sup>st</sup> VP	Yes
Paul Dixon	(GA)	Yes	Yan Kaminsky	(GA)	Yes
Don Stone	(GA) Treasurer	Yes	Ward Hillegas	(AR) Secretary	No
Jack Flynn	(TN) President	Yes	Kevin Cook	(LA)	Yes
Andy Franklin	(TN)	No	Aaron Burtosch	(MS)	No
<b>Committee Members / Guests (Non-Voting)</b>					
Russ Beatse	SYTHL	No	Chris Powers	SE Director	Yes
Debbie Polk	Registrar	Yes	David Polk	Registrar - SE	No
Jim Dewhirst	Referee-in-Chief	No	Rick Murray	Coach-in-Chief	Yes
Kahlie Singletary	Girls	No			
<b>President’s Update (Jack Flynn)</b> Last Presidents meeting before Annual Congress up in June. Jack is part of the Culture Task Force. Discussed how to improve our hockey culture within their programs. Talked about what other sports are doing. Another task force is about recruiting and making sure we have guidelines for Tier I teams. Another issue in MA came up about anyone with disabilities in hockey. Other affiliates are sealing with stuff but not in SAHA. A youth council subcommittee formed about officiating. Question is do we want to move the abuse of officials out of the associations and into the affiliates. USAH wants feedback from affiliates on this. Everything under 601E.					
<b>Treasurer’s Update (Don Stone)</b> We have a Tax Return due on Monday. Finishing that up					
<b>Secretary Update (Ward Hillegas)</b> Motion to approve the April minutes by Debbie Barrie, second from Kevin Cook. Minutes approved. Affiliate’s participating were Britt Cesarone and Bryan Hince					
<b>Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)</b> As of next year for the entire SE District teams can only register for 1 out of 4 options, Tier I, Tier II, Travel (but not going to Nationals) and House. ALL HOUSE TEAMS HAVE TO BE REGISTERED.					
<b>SE District Director’s Report (Chris Powers)</b> N/A					

## State Director Updates

**Georgia** MACON wants to start their own adult association. Paul is helping them get set up with officials

**Alabama** Tryouts this weekend in HSV and BHAM next weekend. They will coordinate to make sure they sync between the two teams

**Tennessee** WE have a membership obligation. Mid South has formed a new non-profit. They are the same people, just a non-profit. We need to ask the current association to withdraw their membership. Once the old one is dissolved, the non-profit can join. Kevin made a motion to approve the new non-profit, Don seconded it. Association was approved

**Mississippi** N/A

**Arkansas** N/A

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Audit	Kevin Cook	N/A
Coaching	Rick Murray	Not much going on. All Clinics will on Sept 1st
Disabled	Ward Hillegas	N/A
DDR	Ralph Drensek	Variance requests starting to trickle in. Debbie Polk requests copies to verify residence. Jack stated we are looking at dividing DDR into two groups. DDR as one committee and Variances as another Committee
Girls	Debbie Barrie / Kahlie Singletary	Kahlie will report later
Goaltending	Rick Murray/ Andy Franklin	Rick was appointed to the national goaltending committee. They are revamping their clinics hope to complete by Sept 1 <sup>st</sup> . Hope to have the Gold Level Clinic this year. Jack Thanked Rick for all his work on the Development Camp
High School	Andy Franklin	N/A
Junior	Don Stone	N/A
Membership	Kevin Cook	Trying to track down last few checks that have been lost in the mail.
Referee	Paul Dixon/ Jim Dewhirst	Starting training for new refs in July
SafeSport	Debbie Barrie	N/A. Jack asked how do we handle SS Coord since Debbie is leaving. Debbie will stay on and train Paul for the upcoming season. She will not be on the board
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Tier 1	Kevin Cook	N/A
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DEI Chris Powers/Jack Flynn Chris has an outline to go over with from USAH. Looking to get a couple of interns and task them with events and community outreach and social media and marketing. The purpose is to bring more people into try hockey for free and build diversity. Jack asked Don if we needed to look at a Block Grant for this. Don will look into this.

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**New  
Business**

**Date**

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5/10

Jack Flynn

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July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023

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3/29-4/3	USA Hockey Nationals – Youth Tier I U-14	Plymouth, MI	
3/29-4/3	USA Hockey Nationals – Youth Tier I 150	Wayne, NJ	
3/29-4/3	USA Hockey Nationals – Youth Tier I U-16 & U-18	San Jose, CA	
3/30-4/3	USA Hockey Nationals – Youth Tier II – U-14	Denver, CO	
3/30-4/3	USA Hockey Nationals – Youth Tier II U-16	Amherst, NY	
3/30-4/3	USA Hockey Nationals – Youth Tier II U-18	Maple Grove, MN	
3/30-4/3	USA Hockey Nationals – Girls Tier I U-14, U-16 & U-19	Dallas, TX	
3/30-4/3	USA Hockey Nationals – Girls Tier II U-14, U-16 & U-19	Anaheim, CA	
<b>April 2023</b>			
1st	USA Hockey Block Grant Report Due		
1st	Nominations open for vacant seats on SAHA Board		14.1
6th	Earliest allowable date for Tier I tryouts		
6th	Earliest allowable date for Girls tryouts		
10th	Deadline for ballots for election of SE District Director (2024 Cycle)		
13th	SAHA Board Meeting	Zoom	
15th	Notice made for SE District Director results (2024 Cycle)		
13-16th	USA Hockey Nationals – Sled	Maryland Heights, NJ	
13-16th	USA Hockey Nationals - Adult Men's	Wesley Chapel, FL	
13-16th	USA Hockey Nationals - Adult Women's	Wesley Chapel, FL	
15-16th	SAHA Player Development Camp	Alpharetta, GA	Jack Flynn
24th	Earliest allowable date for Tier II tryouts. 21 Days after Nationals		
<b>May 2023</b>			
1st	Nominations close for vacant seats on the SAHA Board		

11th	SAHA Board Meeting	Zoom	
12th	Southeast District Player Development Camp		
19th-22nd	Tier II Tryout protected period		
<b>June 2023</b>			
1st	Deadline for distributing ballots for election of SAHA Directors		14.1
7th	2023 USA Hockey Annual Congress		
8th	SAHA Board Meeting	Zoom	
11th	Deadline for completion of election of SAHA Directors		14.1
<b>July 2023</b>			
13th	SAHA Board Meeting		
31st	Fiscal Year Ends		20.6

# Southern Amateur Hockey Association

## Board Meeting Minutes – July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern Amateur Hockey Association (“SAHA”) was held on July 13th, 2022 beginning at 7:00PM CST on Zoom.

<b>Roll Call Board Members (Voting)</b>					
<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Present</u>
Rob Link	(TN)	Yes	Ryan McCormack	(AL)	Yes
Debbie Barrie	(AL) 2 <sup>nd</sup> VP	No	Ralph Drensek	(AL) 1 <sup>st</sup> VP	Yes
Paul Dixon	(GA)	Yes	Yan Kaminsky	(GA)	Yes
Don Stone	(GA) Treasurer	Yes	Ward Hillegas	(AR) Secretary	Yes
Jack Flynn	(TN) President	Yes	Kevin Cook	(LA)	Yes
Andy Franklin	(TN)	No	Aaron Burtosch	(MS)	No
<b>Committee Members / Guests (Non-Voting)</b>					
Russ Beatse	SYTHL	No	Chris Powers	SE Director	No
Debbie Polk	Registrar	Yes	David Polk	Registrar - SE	No
Jim Dewhirst	Referee-in-Chief	No	Rick Murray	Coach-in-Chief	Yes
Kahlie Singletary	Girls	No			
<b>President’s Update (Jack Flynn)</b> Summer meeting was held in Colorado in June. Detailed update will be given at Annual Meeting in August					
<b>Treasurer’s Update (Don Stone)</b> All is Good. More detailed update at Annual Meeting in August					
<b>Secretary Update (Ward Hillegas)</b> Rob Link made a motion to approve May minutes, Don Stone 2 <sup>nd</sup> it. Minutes voted on and approved. Associations represented at meeting were Teddy Rotenberger from Nashville Jr. Preds, Isaac Lee from Mid-South Ice House, Mike Fairbanks new SAHA Director for Alabama, Al Austin from Mid-South Ice House.					
<b>Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)</b> For 2023-24 all teams Youth House-Tier I have to be registered. SAHA Board has to be rostered. Must register with USA Hockey, be SafeSport certified and have a background check. It is required that all Associations be rostered as well. Portal is up and running. All forms must be turned in and signed before associations have access to the portal					
<b>SE District Director’s Report (Chris Powers)</b> N/A					

## State Director Updates

**Georgia** N/A

**Alabama** Travel Tryouts are done

**Tennessee** A new association in Memphis (non-profit) applied for membership and now has withdrawn their membership application. Clarksville will be opening soon. It is a Jr. Preds organization and Andy Franklin will be running it.

**Mississippi** N/A

**Arkansas** This season will have both a U12 & U14 Travel team

**Louisiana** N/A

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<b>Committee</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>Notes</b>
ADM	Yan Kaminsky	N/A
Adult	Aaron Bartosch	N/A
Audit	Kevin Cook	N/A
Coaching	Rick Murray	Hosting first Level I Training. Email went out to all SAHA Affiliates
Disabled	Ward Hillegas	N/A
DDR	Ralph Drensek	N/A
Girls	Debbie Barrie / Kahlie Singletary	N/A
Goaltending	Rick Murray/ Andy Franklin	Attended National Goaltending Summit this summer
High School	Andy Franklin	N/A
Junior	Don Stone	N/A
Membership	Kevin Cook	N/A
Referee	Paul Dixon/ Jim Dewhirst	Started Referee Seminars-1/week for the next couple of months
SafeSport	Debbie Barrie	N/A
SYTHL	Russ Beatse	SYTHL Leveling Tournament in August. This year had 91 teams U-10 thru U-18
Tier 1	Kevin Cook	N/A
Player Dev	Jack Flynn	U-14 Development Camp is this week
College / Univ	Ralph Drensek	Tennessee St. starting both Men's & Women's Club Teams with intend to become NCAA D-! in the future
Youth	Ryan McCormack	N/A
DEI	Chris Powers/Jack Flynn	N/A

## Old Business

Date	Topic	Owner	Narrative
2/11	Tier I	Kevin Cook	Currently we do not have a means to track vertical play ups in Tier I. Kevin to work on presenting a program/policy regarding vertical play up tracking.
3/9	Tier I	Kevin Cook	Kevin to provide update at our March meeting. Kevin will update at April Meeting. Kevin will update once USA Hockey gives SAHA a mechanism to track this.
7/13			USA Hockey is handling this from a national level. This will be removed from "Old Business"
5/11	Annual Meeting	Jack Flynn	USA Hockey has reached out to see how they can support us at our annual meeting by sending a representative to discuss different topics. Would like to discuss what topics such as Membership Growth, ADM, DEI, Player Development Growth, etc. we would like to have them address.
7/13			Will be sending an email to all Affiliates informing them on who from USA Hockey will be attending Annual Meeting in August. This will be removed from "Old Business"

## New

Business	Topic	Owner	Narrative
<u>Date</u>	Match Penalty	Jack Flynn	Open the discussion of moving all match penalties and 601e penalties to the Affiliate level DDR. We will offer discipline consistent with the attached standardization document. We can finalize this at the Summer Meeting.
7/13			Jack started discussions on this topic for the purpose of board to give it some thought in order to have more in-depth discussions on this at the Annual meeting in August.

7/13 Annual Meeting Ward Hillegas Information and Timeline for Directors and Chairpersons to get me written information for the handbook and powerpoint presentation at the Annual Board Meeting. Hotel Information etc. will be provided as well.

7/13 Gave the board an update on how things are progressing for preparation for the Annual meeting in August. I asked that everyone provide me with their reports by Friday, June 21<sup>st</sup> so I can complete the PowerPoint presentation and the booklet.

