



**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 April Board meeting  
Wednesday, April 16 · 7:30 – 9:30 pm  
via Google Meet**

**Meeting Attendees: Will Meyer, Dana Wright, Cassie Johns, Bethany McLeman, Allison Mancuso, Dan Hall, Cherry Sullivan, Jen Callahan, and Brock Barton.**

**Meeting began at 7:35 pm**

A motion to approve the minutes from the March meeting was made by Allison Mancuso. It was seconded by Dana Wright. The minutes from the March meeting were approved.

Next, a motion to approve the minutes from the Annual meeting was made by Will and seconded by Allison. No objections were made and the minutes were approved.

The meeting moved on to age group updates.

- a. 14u - Brock Barton gave a post registration update stating that the registration deadline for 14u was last Sunday. We have a sufficient number of players for three teams (currently 12-13 players plus one goalie per team). We are starting ice time conversations with Union. We also have 2-4 new skaters who have contacted us that might be interested in joining.
- b. 12u - Will Meyer shared his 12u update post tryouts. We have sufficient numbers for three teams. We are going to start figuring out ice time conversations and will discuss them at the next meeting.
- c. 10u - Allison reported that everyone except for three players had registered post tryouts. We have room for players that may contact us over the summer/early fall. Now that registration has finished, the coaching coordinator will begin naming coaches for each team.
- d. 8u (Allison) - The board tabled its review of the 8u survey summary until the May meeting. We will continue pushing 8u registration in the monthly newsletter.

Bylaws and Board Expansion Update - Brock Barton shared that he had an attorney look through the bylaws. If we want to expand the board, it needs to go to a membership vote which requires advanced notice to the membership. Brock is going to clean up what is outdated in the bylaws and incorporate the current responsibilities of board members as well. He is hoping to mark-up the current bylaws for everyone to vote on at the end of the summer and closer to hockey season again. Cherry offered to collaborate with Brock. This discussion is tabled for the coming months.

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## 2. Monthly Reports

- a. Coaching Coordinator/Registrar - Allison reports she will be opening coaching registration in the near future.
- b. Safesport Coordinator - Will is going to check with Terence to see if he is still interested in this role for the coming year.
- c. NH State Representative - Parity dates are September 12th-14th but locations have not been announced yet. This will be announced in the May newsletter. The NHAHA Annual Meeting is in June.
- d. Treasurer's Report - Now that we have a general sense of how many teams we have, Brock is going to get a budget together and a fundraising goal. We are almost wrapped up with bills for the season.
- e. Fundraising - The board discussed the Annual Slapshot Challenge Golf Tournament. Everyone agreed it still makes the most sense to have it at Carter to raise the most money. Bethany is going to reach out to a local course in Newport near her because it's an 18 hole course. Cassie and Bethany also proposed adding to the event by offering something for non-golfers and will look into adding this element next year. Once we have a fundraising goal for the coming season, the fundraising committee is going to meet to decide what events will help us reach that goal.
- f. Girls Development - No update
- g. Scheduler - No update
- h. Equipment Manager - Will proposed the idea of switching our jerseys to Stateline because we continue to have issues with the game socks from our current supplier. The board discussed different options for socks and jersey suppliers, debating convenience, quality, and color selection. Will is going to talk to the current supplier about the quality and sizing of the socks. Will is waiting to hear back from WABA about a possible storage solution on site. The board also talked about the possibility of adding vending machines. Will is going to ask WABA again about this idea.
- i. Marketing/Social Media Manager - No update
- j. Safety/Concussion - No update

## 3. Board Member Roles and Responsibilities

- a. Sportsengine Coordinator - Jen Callahan.
- b. Dana volunteered to be registrar and Brock volunteered to be scheduling coordinator. Will, Allison, Brock and Dana are going to sort out the fulfillment of these two roles. Allison has a good idea for a current 8u coach that would be a good fit for helping with 8u scheduling and learning the role of scheduler.
- c. Ref Coordinator - This is a role we potentially need to outsource and find another volunteer. Brock feels that this could also be part of the scheduling "teams" role.
- d. Fundraising Coordinator - Cassie and Bethany would like to join Cherry and Megan to take over fundraising. Bethany wants to make sure that we are coordinating well with team parents and give someone a volunteer coordinator role within this group.
- e. Equipment Coordinator - Dan Hall
- f. Safety Coordinator - Megan O'Neil

The board will work to pass off responsibilities over the next month.

Jen is going to update the website with new roles and responsibilities.

End of Season Feedback Results - Will Meyer gave a brief overview of the survey results. The board discussed the low participation numbers this year and how we could improve that in the future. Brock suggested soliciting mid-year feedback in the future as well. Next year's goal is to send it closer to the

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end of the season when hockey is fresh on everyone's minds.

Next month's meeting will be May 21st at 7:30 pm remotely.

Meeting Link: [meet.google.com/zzh-xgga-dfy](https://meet.google.com/zzh-xgga-dfy)

**Meeting adjourned at 9:07 pm.**