

# NYH Board Meeting

February 15, 2022

6:30PM

Virtual / Video conference

<b>Meeting called by:</b>	Kristen Fleming, President	<b>Type of meeting:</b>	Monthly Board Meeting, Navy Youth Hockey
		<b>Note taker:</b>	Michael
<b>Start Time:</b>	6:41 PM	<b>End Time:</b>	10:25 PM

**Board Attendees:** Kristen, Sean M., Melissa, Jenny, Rebecca, Michael, Chet; Paul, Angela, Penny

**Other Participants:** Zach

**Guests/Observers:** Stuart Culy, Kristen Olsen.

**Materials:** Documents available in NYH Board shared drive

**Agenda Approval:** Motion to approve agenda (\_\_\_\_\_ - motion; \_\_\_\_\_ - second); unanimously approved

**Minutes Approval:** Motion to approve minutes from 1/18/22 monthly meeting (Paul - motion; \_\_\_\_\_ - second); unanimously approved (Melissa abstained due to not being present at 1/18/22 meeting).

**Next Meeting:** March 15, 2022

## Minutes

**Agenda item:** President Updates **Presenter:** Kristen

### Overview:

Kristen reported on current club status/issues.

### Discussion:

- Kristen discussed:
  - CBHL meeting has not yet occurred this month.
  - Increased number of penalties and incidents occurring across the leagues, fortunately not involving NYH.

Board Vote	Motion	Votes
✓ N/A	N/A	N/A
Action items	Person Responsible	Deadline
✓ N/A	N/A	N/A

**Agenda item:** Hockey Directorate Update **Presenter:** Zach

**Overview:**

Zach reported on season/teams status, playoffs, spring hockey, and tryouts.

**Discussion:**

- Zach discussed:
  - Remaining tournaments for Club teams.
  - A few teams appear poised to make playoffs.
  - Current LTP goes through March 5. Just got ice for a third LTP session to start in spring. Total LTP enrollment across all three LTP sessions will be 100+. Close to 50 of those who have participated have committed to Mites, spring clinic, or some other hockey. LTP exposure has been excellent.
  - Proposed Spring Skills/Clinic program. Generally 4 skills group sessions and 4 “battle camp / game” sessions. Planning for a 30 player cap per age group.
  - Tryouts April 23-24.
  - For spring tournaments, consensus among coaches is to do so with the teams selected at tryouts rather than from among the Spring Clinic program.
  - NYH given an additional week of ice in first week of March; most of that time will likely go to the Elite teams.
  - Summer camps will be the weeks of July 11 and July 18.
- Melissa asked if we can plan for and schedule end-of-year Blue and Gold game for all club players and parents like last year in the absence of Hockey 4 Heroes. Board discussed planning for weekend of March 12, or one night the week prior. Zach will check with BSC on scheduling.
- Question was raised about end-of-season party; Kristen is going to check with BSC.
- Kristen reported updates from Ashley:
  - Joey Lye speaking to USNA women’s team next week; Kristen going to ensure NYH girls program players are invited, including younger/Mite girls.
  - Ashley working to ensure goalie for U16 girls team.

Board Vote	Motion	Votes
✓ N/A	N/A	N/A
Action items	Person Responsible	Deadline
✓ N/A	N/A	N/A

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**Agenda item:** “One Navy” Discussion – 2022 Season / Team Structure **Presenter:** Sean

**Overview:**

Sean reported on

**Discussion:**

- Sean discussed review of Elite model in response to feedback received over the course of the past year and during the December club-wide survey.
  - Presented proposed “narrative” intended to communicate elimination of “Elite” moniker.
  - “Gold” would become highest level team, with the intent being for Gold to have more ice time and faster development, still with paid coaches. Further discussion could be had on whether it would get more tournaments, etc.
  - Removal of name “Elite” is intended to remove stigma. Purpose is to focus on “One Navy” team concept. Not necessarily intended to be a substantial shift in the model or structure overall, but more of a rebranding.
- Penny expressed disagreement with the concept and discussed experience as an Elite program parent for three years, with follow on discussion among numerous Board members.
- Zach discussed the goal being to empower the coaches to have some autonomy to pick games/teams being played; no intent to reduce the level of commitment or structure.
- Kristen noted this was not intended to be a one-time discussion. Tried to wrap the discussion by focusing on the key themes/issues:
  - Desire was to rebrand the name “Elite”
  - While also keeping the level, structure, and culture of what was created under the Elite name, but if the name “Gold” is perceived as a step back then what is best way forward?
  - Paul (and others) reiterated the limited time available before tryouts, the expectation of parents to know going into tryouts, and the need to have a product in place that is being offered.
- Substantial discussion over changing the name. Kristen asked if there was a motion to change the name “Elite” to something else, even if we don’t know what the new name will be.
  - Motion to change name was made; further discussion took place; Paul moved to table the motion to change the name.
- In effort to resolve concern over “Elite” name, Paul made a motion to change the name to “Gold Selects.”
  - No: Jenny, Mike, Penny, Angela, Kristen
  - Yes: Sean, Paul, Rebecca, Melissa

<b>Board Vote</b>	<b>Motion</b>	<b>Votes</b>
✓ Motion to change the name “Elite” to something else TBD	Motion – Sean; second – Paul	Tabled
✓ Motion to change the name to “Gold Selects”	Motion – Paul; second – Sean	5-Nay; 4-Yes (motion did not carry)
<b>Action items</b>	<b>Person Responsible</b>	<b>Deadline</b>
✓ Kristen will contact BSC/USNA to determine what USNA terminology we can/cannot use and will follow up with	Kristen	NLT 2/18/22

the Board in order to finalize plan to communicate product offering this week		
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**Agenda item:** Treasurer's Update

**Presenter:** Melissa

**Overview:**

Melissa reported on use of Caps tickets and finances generally.

**Discussion:**

- Melissa raised request from Keith Manning to confirm if NYH will use his Caps tickets for 2022-23 season.
  - For this season, NYH took 14 games and sold 7.5. Used 3.5 games as a thank you gift. Have 3-4 games left on the season.
  - Request was presented for a motion if Board wanted to approve and renew or not.
- Board went to closed, executive session to review draft Form 990 / tax return filings.

Board Vote	Motion	Votes
✓ Motion to approve renewing NYH use of Keith Manning's Caps tickets.	Motion - Jenny; second – Rebecca	Unanimous approval
✓ Motion to approve/accept Form 990/tax return as presented	Motion – Paul; second – Rebecca	Unanimous approval
Action items	Person Responsible	Deadline
✓ N/A	N/A	N/A