

Eastern Shore Hockey Association
Meeting Minutes

February 10, 2025

I. Call to order

Jonny B. called to order the regular meeting of the ESHA board at 6:00pm on February 10th at the Talbot County Community Center in Easton MD.

II. Roll call

Jonny B. conducted a roll call. The following persons were present:

President – Dave Levasseur- called in	Communications Director – Louise Howie
Vice President – Jonny Brown	8U Coordinator – Tom Crotti
Secretary – Angie Broll	Chief Manager – Ali Toepfer
Treasurer – Patty McNeal	CBHL Rep – John Schwaninger
Scheduler – Paul Sullivan	CCHL Rep – Jeff Simmons
Registrar – Natalie Holmes – called in Hockey Director- Sam Gerdano- called in	EJEPL Rep – Shawn Miller

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Meeting minutes from January were submitted for approval by Angie B. Motion for approval by Jonny B., 2nd by Dave L., all in favor, none opposed.

IV. Director and Officer Reports

- a) President – Dave congratulated the EJ teams for a great season and for doing well in playoffs.
- b) Vice President – will address in the closed meeting.
- c) Secretary – nothing new to report at this time.
- d) Registrar – nothing new to report at this time.
- e) Hockey Director – coaches applications are continuing to come in. I have had several reach out about being an assistant coach so that is good as well. CBHL has sent out a shortened season concept for 18U. Kids at this age have a lot going on so it is their

proposal however I think our players enjoy playing a lot of games. I also received an email about a player development camp where we nominate players to send.

- f) Scheduler – nothing new to report.
- g) Chief Manager – nothing new to report.

Treasurer- Our current checking account balance is \$333,664.36 including almost \$20,000 for scholarships. Expenses are roughly \$131,000. We have also budgeted \$200,000 for ice cost and it is anticipated to come in at \$206,000. We have paid 73K and have a projected balance of 135k for ice.

- h) Communications Director – THFF is coming up, we currently have 5 registered. The Senior Spotlights have been well received on FB so that's good. Louise will not be here for the THFF so if someone else could take pictures for this that would be great. Shawn typed up an addendum for tryouts and if we need to vote on that.
- i) 8U Director – THFF even is fast approaching and will need people to help coordinate this the day of.
- j) CCHL Rep – Playoffs are the 22nd of this month.
- k) CBHL Rep – They have updated the ineligible teams for playoffs. He also further explained the short season for 18U, where they will play 10-14 games, no playoffs. They are still in negotiations for SHOA for a contract for next year and it does sound like the costs for refs will be going up next year.
- l) EJEPL Rep – it was a great weekend for 14u, they won EJ playoffs. 12u just missed playoffs. And 10U finished in 4th place.

V. Committee Reports:

- a) Disciplinary Committee – nothing new to report.
- b) Fundraising Committee – nothing new to report.
- c) Bylaw Committee – nothing new to report.
- d) Rostering Committee – nothing new to report.

VI. New Business

- a) Motion to approve to move the registrars election year to even year: Sam made the motion to approve, Louise 2nd, Jonny 3rd, all in favor and non opposed.

- b) Assessment dates and process for tryout: Dave has all the times scheduled and approved by Emily. Louise sent that information out and it's correct.
- c) Tryout jerseys: Jonny and Patty will be staying after the meeting to discuss the jersey order, how many we need, reversible, etc. Dave stated that the only problem he has with the reversible jersey, is we are trying to have 4 different colors for tryouts. Suggested no black. White and blue, and red and yellow. Many have said that it's been nice to have the jerseys because they have also been utilized for practices.
- d) A parent was present in the meeting and has suggested for tryouts that we state that if you're not trying out for a blue team, to register, but to not necessarily come to the tryout to cut down on how many players are on the ice. He also suggest to have a waiting list for some players that might not make a blue team, to then be on the list incase someone drops off etc.
- e) A parent addressed the fact that some players are not showing up to practices and games and it's causing them to not have enough players. The board assured that this issued will be addressed.
- f) A parent was present and suggested that since we charge an assessment fee, we should give out their scores. That way kids know their strengths and weaknesses and where to start improving.
- g) It's being suggested that next year once a week or once every other week we combine the blue and red teams to get a full ice practice got break out drills etc and to also give red players a chance to work work with the blue players. A full ice practice is extremely beneficial.

Adjournment:

Jonny B., motioned to move to a closed meeting at 7:27pm.. Dave L., 2nd, Louise H., 3rd all in favor, non opposed.