



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 December Board Meeting
Wednesday, December 18
6:00 – 7:00 pm
Remote only**

Attendees: Dana Wright, Will Meyer, Jen Callahan, Allison Mancuso, Cherry Sullivan

Approval of Minutes from the October and November Meetings: Motion to approve both made by Dana Wright. Seconded by Allison Mancuso. Minutes approved.

Age Group Updates

- a. 14u - Will didn't have much to report from this age group and Brock was unable to attend. Will says there were a few misconducts to report but nothing needing review from the board.
- b. 12u - Will's 12u Blue team is going to Lake Placid this weekend. 12u Black is using 10u kids for GSL games now as well if needed. We need to keep careful track of who is playing up. Will is going to find the rules and make sure we are interpreting it correctly. Allison has a spreadsheet to keep track.
- c. 10u/10u House - Jen reports that both 10u teams are chugging along smoothly. The addition of the extra 10u players at practice has gone smoothly. They are training together during stations and seem to be catching up nicely.
- d. 8u - Allison says the travel mites are doing well. House mites had their first game and had fun on all three cross ice sections. Storm Academy wraps up this weekend for the fall. Jay Z is excited to keep coaching the second half of the season.

2. Monthly Reports

- a. Coaching Coordinator/Registrar: Allison emailed the handful of coaches that need to do their CEP today. She hopes they are signed up because they don't have much time to get it done before 12/31/24. She officially rostered the silver team today. She has only received one new player form since we said the high school players needed to register. Will thinks the start of their season has removed focus from that for them right now but he will follow up with Jason again.
- b. Safesport Coordinator: No Update
- c. NH State Representative: Will did not have a monthly NHAHA meeting this month because they didn't have anything to discuss. They will meet in January. He gave a reminder that rosters lock on 12/31 and coaches that are potentially being redlined.
- d. Girls Development: Allison postponed inviting SA players until January. She is going to invite some that are older and have more movement in the new year. Allison spoke with Amanda about letting the younger kids stay for more of the practice but Amanda

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thought that we might lose the older girls if we let the younger girls stay. The board decided to give it a try and see how it goes due to the lack of older players attending anyways.

- e. Fundraising - Jen and Cherry plan to put a call to action in the January newsletter to form the committee for prize solicitation. Jen gave a Concession Stand update stating that they did a dry run on Sunday and everything went well. Bethany is finishing up the Sign-up Genius to officially get it open for this coming weekend.
- f. Scheduler - Dana said that everything is up to date right now. Some teams got rid of some non-league games. He wanted everyone to know about Joanna Wallace's passing. The board talked about ways to support their family. Will thanked Dana for helping to get some 10u Silver games. He has 5 so far! Will is going to work with 10u silver to get them a team parent to help remedy the scheduling miscommunications they are having.
- g. Equipment Manager - Will still hasn't purchased tennis balls. Jay donated soccer balls. Will has the second set in rotation now. He wants to buy two more because they are so much easier. Will is going to initiate a conversation with the town.
- h. Treasurer - The budget update was pushed to next month due to Brock's absence. We HAVE to have next year's cost discussion at next month's meeting so that we have solidified registration costs going into tryout advertisements in February. We also need to finalize a cost for the newly formed 10u house team and players from SA that moved to HM. Will is going to ask Brock about wording and get an email out to those families.
- i. Marketing/Social Media Manager: Denise is continuing to do a great job posting and is celebrating our teams really well! We need to keep asking team parents for pictures to post. Will is going to send an email to coaches asking them to reach out to their team parents. Jen is going to ask Denise to post about the second session of Storm Academy. Cherry also suggested that we try and do some volunteer posts to promote and celebrate this part of our program.
- j. Safety/Concussion: Jen is going to ask Holly Old if she is willing to fill this role for us. Will is going to send the USA Hockey Return to play form to Jen. Holly would need to be the liaison between the concussed player and NHAHA (Autumn).

The board agreed to have an in-person meeting next month to facilitate healthy 2025-26 pricing discussion. Will is going to run the proposed dates (1/8 and 1/29) by Brock and the King Arthur schedule and then go from there.

Meeting adjourned at 7:06 pm.