

*Eastern Shore Hockey Association*  
*Meeting Minutes*

February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026

**I. Call to order**

*Shawn M. called to order the regular meeting of the board at 6:04 pm on February 9th , at Talbot County Community Center.*

**II. Roll call**

*Shawn Miller conducted a roll call. The following persons were present:*

President – Jonny Brown – not present	Communications Director – Chris Thomas
Vice President – Shawn Miller	8U Coordinator – Tom Crotti
Secretary – Lauren Stoltzfus – called in	Chief Manager – Ali Toepfer
Treasurer – Patty McNeal	CBHL Rep – John Schwaninger
Scheduler – Paul Sullivan – not present	CCHL Rep –Todd Cranwell
Registrar- Dave Levasseur – called in	EJEPL Rep - Shawn Miller
Hockey Director- Sam Gerdano	

**III. Approval of minutes from last meeting**

Meeting minutes from January were submitted for approval. All in favor, non opposed.

**IV. Director and Officer Reports**

- a) President – nothing to report
- b) Vice President – nothing to report
- c) Secretary – nothing to report
- d) Registrar – Crabs registration is open. Spring league registration is doing better than the tournament team currently. Website has all the info (cost, practice days, etc). No date currently when registration will close.

Coaches’ applications are ready to be sent out, as well as applications for open executive board positions (VP, Treasure, Registrar).

e) Treasurer-

Current checking balance: \$325,484.60

Donations for scholarship \$19,669.78

Subtotal \$305,814.82

Bills paid to date \$190,622.48

Balance to date \$115,192.34

Patty requests motion to approve purchase Microsoft Outlook for the board. Cost is \$540. Shawn Miller 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor non-opposed.

f) Hockey Director – Last clinic was MLK weekend, successful. Decent turn out even with some teams being away. Willing to have another clinic session before tryouts/assessments. Pre-tryout clinic was requested last and thinks it is a good idea to continue. Discusses he would like to have head coaches meet individually with players to offer their feedback.

g) Scheduler – not present

h) Chief Manager – nothing to report

i) Communications Director – Chris reviewed recent survey results that was sent via email to the members. Roughly 90 responses within 24 hours. It seemed as if members were confused or felt that the board wasn't clear on what decisions were being made. Chris mentioned he quickly responded via email to all members and provided the ESHA website as directions for board meeting minutes. Also provided in email the teams link for this month's board meeting. Chris reviewed questions asked in survey and the percentage results of how the members answered.

j) 8U Director – Suggested to have ice secured for try hockey for free and invited the Jamie Webb families. Also, take that time and opportunity to introduce who we are and what our program offers.

k) CCHL Rep – nothing to report

l) CBHL Rep – Cont. to discuss possibility of 10u not doing level festival, sending to working group to discuss other options. Wouldn't have major/minor rule.

m) EJEPL Rep – 14u play offs this past weekend, 4<sup>th</sup> place.

**V. Committee Reports:**

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

**VI. New Business:**

- a) Fundraising committee position- still vacant
- b) Open executive board positions- Treasure, Registrar, Vice President. Vote at annual board meeting next month, March. Emails will likely come out this week for application process for the positions. Head coach applications emails will also be sent out.
- c) Assessments/try outs to be determined. Paul is working on date/ice slots.
- d) A parent asks about a clinic for body contact/checking for the upcoming season, 14u players. Sam mentions they offered clinics for this last year and stated he planned to do more clinics again for this year.

**Next Board Meeting: 3/9/26 from 6-8pm**

**Adjournment:**

*Shawn M., motioned to move to a closed meeting at 6:43 pm. Chris Thomas 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, non opposed.*