



2019-2020

Southern Amateur Hockey Association

Mike Kotas

SAHA Board Secretary

SAHA Board of Directors Register

Ref By-law: 15.13.b

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Paul Petrarca (2022)

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Kevin Cook (2021)

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MISSISSIPPI (1)

Dennis McGuffie (2020)

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SAHA Support and Committee Personnel Register

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<u>Functional Area</u>	<u>Designee</u>	<u>Phone / Email</u>
SE District Director	Chris Powers	cpow325@aol.com
Coach in Chief	Rick Murray	murrayr@hendrix.edu
Referee in Chief	Jim Dewhirst	ric@southeastrefs.org
Associate Registrar	Debbie Polk	Debbiepolk1975@gmail.com
SE District Registrar	David Polk	dpolk17@gmail.com
SYTHL Liaison	Russ Beatse	russbeatse@att.net
Girls Committee	Kahlie Singletary	kahlie@nashvillegirlshockey.com

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chair</u>	<u>Members</u>
ADM	Danny Butler	
Adult	Dennis McGuffie	
Audit	John Cox	
Disabled	Ed Ragland	
DDR (Discipline)	Jack Flynn	
Girls	Kahlie Singletary	
Goaltending		
High School	Jack Flynn	
Junior	Ryan McCormack	
Membership	Kevin Cook	
Safesport	Rich Bennett	
SYTHL	Russ Beatse	
Tier 1	Yan Kaminsky	
Player Development	Jack Flynn	
College / University	Paul Petrarca	
Youth Chair	Removed	

SAHA Association Member Register (Ref By-law: 15.13.c)

#	Name	President	Email	Hockey Director	Email
ALH0002	BIRMINGHAM AMATUER HOCKEY ASSOCIATION	Liz Leckemby	lizl@birminghambullshockey.com	Vacant	
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ALH0009	TOTAL PACKAGE HOCKEY	Nathan Bowen	nathan@totalpackagehockey.com	Keith Rowe	keith@totalpackagehockey.com
ARH0001	ARKANSAS ICE HOCKEY ASSOCIATION/YOUTH	Scott Shroyer	littlerockaceshockey@gmail.com	Kate Stone	chris_kate_cady@mac.com
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GAH0021	THE BANDIT ICE HOCKEY ASSOCIATION			Steve Whitfield	swhitfield@theice.info
GAH0025	COLUMBUS HOCKEY ASSOCIATION	Jessica Taylor	jessicataylor313@gmail.com	Orrin Hergott	orrinhergott@yahoo.com
GAH0033	CENTER ICE ARENA			Stephane Normandeau	snormcenterice@yahoo.com
GAH0035	SAHA BOARD	John Cox	president@sahaonline.org		
GAH0036	MADHATTERS HOCKEY ASSOCIATION			Sean Bernhardt	sbernhardt@atlantamadhatters.com
GAH0075	THE COOLER HOCKEY CLUB			Curtis Morrison	cmorrison@cooler.com
LAH0006	LAFAYETTE AMATEUR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION	Tyler Barr	tnbarr@gmail.com	Cote Malveaux	malveauxcote@yahoo.com
LAH0012	JUNIOR MUDBUGS YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION	Dave Brocato	bayoupucknut@yahoo.com	Soupy Campbell	soupy@mudbugshockey.com
MSH0001	MISSISSIPPI ADULT HOCKEY				
MSH0005	GULF COAST YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION	Brock Hill	brock.hill@gcaces.org	Dylan Forsythe	director@gcaces.org
MSH0006	MID SOUTH ICE HOUSE HOCKEY	Lucas Stern	hockey@midsouthicehouse.com	Lucas Stern	hockey@midsouthicehouse.com
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TNH0010	GREATER NASHVILLE AREA SCHOLASTIC HOCKEY	Jason Riherd	coachjason@gmail.com		
THN0015	NASHVILLE ELITE HOCKEY CLUB	Jack Burk	jburk@nashvillepredators.com	Keith Rowe	keith@totalpackagehockey.com
TNH0037	NASHVILLE YOUTH HOCKEY LEAGUE	Stephen Sullivan	sullivas@realtracs.com	James Perkin	jperkin@nyhl.com
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TNH0051	KNOXVILLE AMATEUR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION	Rochelle Oldfield	rochelleoldfield@msn.com	Mike Craigen	adulthockey@coolsportstn.com
TNH0055	SOUTHERN YOUTH TRAVEL HOCKEY LEAGUE	Russ Beatse	russbeatse@att.net		

WAIVER LOG

SAHA Waiver Log											
Log	Player Name	Req Org	Cur Org	Sub Date	Type	Gov by-Law	Fin Rel Date	Tamper Date	Vote Date	Rel Date	Notes:
1	Luka Ivutin	Tri City Spartans	Atlanta Center Ice	18-Nov	Out of District	USA Hockey	21-Nov	N/A	N/A	23-Nov	None
2	Madden Jones	Ice Bandits	Boston Bandits	6-Dec	Out of District	USA Hockey	6-Dec	N/A	TBD	6-Dec	Exec Decision to release

SAHA Master Schedule

Event	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
August SAHA Board Meeting	Sunday August 9 th 8:00PM EST – Telecon Virtual due to Pandemic		
September SAHA Board Meeting	Sunday Sep 13 th 8:00PM EST - Telecon		
October SAHA Board Meeting	Sunday Oct 11 th 8:00PM EST - Telecon		
November SAHA Board Meeting	Sunday Nov 8 th 8:00PM EST - Telecon		
December SAHA Board Meeting	Sunday Dec 13 th 8:00PM EST - Telecon		
January SAHA Board Meeting	Sunday Jan 10 th 8:00PM EST - Telecon		
February SAHA Board Meeting	Saturday Feb 6 th 8:00PM EST – In Person		
SYTHL Playoff Weekend	Feb 27 th – Feb 28 th	Feb 26 th – 27 th	Feb 25 th – Feb 26 th
SAHA Tier 2 State Tournaments	March 6 th -7 th	March 5 th -6 th	March 4 th -5 th
March SAHA Board Meeting	Sunday Mar 14 th 8:00PM EST - Telecon		
National Championships	March 24-29 Tier 1 14U & 15U – San Jose, CA Tier 1 16U & 18U – Amherst, NY Tier II 14U – McKinney, TX Tier II 16U – Grand Rapids, MI Tier II 18U – Green Bay, WI Girls Tier 1 – West Chester, PA Girls Tier II – Irvine, CA	March 30-April 4	
April SAHA board Meeting	Sunday April 18 th 8:00PM EST - Telecon		
Boys Player Development			
Girls Player Development			
SAHA Tier 1 Tryouts			
SAHA Tier 2 Tryouts			
May SAHA Board Meeting	Sunday May 17 th 8:00PM EST - Telecon		
USA Hockey Annual Congress			
SYTHL Annual Meeting			
June SAHA Board Meeting	Sunday June 13 th 8:00PM EST - Telecon		
July SAHA Board Meeting	Sunday July 11 th 8:00PM EST - Telecon		

Southern Amateur Hockey Association

Board Meeting Agenda – August 9th, 2020

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MEETING AGENDA

Roll Call:

Board Members (Voting)

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Rich Bennett	(AL) 2 nd VP		Ralph Drensek	(AL)	
Mike Kotas	(GA) Secretary		Yan Kaminsky	(GA)	
Don Stone	(GA) Treasurer		Paul Petrarca	(AR)	
Jack Flynn	(TN)		Kevin Cook	(LA)	
Danny Butler	(TN)		Dennis McGuffie	(MS)	

Committee Members / Guests (Non-Voting)

Russ Beatse	SYTHL	Chris Powers	SE Director
Debbie Polk	Registrar	David Polk	Registrar - SE
Jim Dewhirst	Referee-in-Chief	Rick Murray	Coach-in-Chief
Kahlie Singletary	Girls		

President’s Update (John Cox)

- 1) Seating of Board Members
 - Georgia: Don Stone
 - Alabama: Debbie Barrie
 - Tennessee: Andy Franklin
 - Mississippi: Dennis McGuffie
 (note that Harry Leckemby has been invited to this call)
- 2) Update Committee Chairs
 - Safesport – Rich Bennett no longer on board

Treasurer’s Update (Don Stone)

Secretary Update (Mike Kotas)

- 1) Acceptance of July meeting minutes
 - Added Music City Marauders to the Association Registry
 - Proposed SAHA Calls outlined on page 6
- 2) Registrar Meeting held on August 9th
- 3) SafeSport Meeting to be held once new SafeSport Coordinator Selected

4) Set date & Times for President's Meeting and SafeSport Meeting

Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)

- Update on SAHA Registrar Meeting from Sunday August 9th

SE District Director's Report (Chris Powers)

State Director Updates

Georgia –

Alabama -

Tennessee -

Mississippi -

Arkansas -

Louisiana -

Committee Updates

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chair</u>	<u>Notes</u>
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Adult	Dennis McGuffie	
Audit	John Cox	
Coaching	Rick Murray	
Disabled	Ed Ragland	
DDR	Jack Flynn	
Girls	Kahlie Singletary	
Goaltending	Andy Franklin	
High School	Jack Flynn	
Junior	Ryan McCormack	
Membership	Kevin Cook	
Referee	Jim Dewhirst	
Safesport	Rich Bennett	
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Old Business

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- Summer Meeting Dates / Agenda
 - o August 8-9, 2020 – Summer SAHA Meetings tentative date
 - o Registrar Break Out Session

- Tabled for another month following better information from States re-opening

New Business

Southern Amateur Hockey Association Board Meeting Agenda – July 12th, 2020

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Rich Bennett	(AL) 2 nd VP	Yes	Ralph Drensek	(AL)	No
Mike Kotas	(GA) Secretary	Yes	Yan Kaminsky	(GA)	No
Don Stone	(GA) Treasurer	Yes	Paul Petrarca	(AR)	No
Jack Flynn	(TN)	Yes	Kevin Cook	(LA)	No
Danny Butler	(TN)	Yes	Dennis McGuffie	(MS)	Yes

Committee Members / Guests (Non-Voting)

Russ Beatse	SYTHL	Yes	Chris Powers	SE Director	Yes
Debbie Polk	Registrar	Yes	David Polk	Registrar - SE	No
Jim Dewhirst	Referee-in-Chief	No	Rick Murray	Coach-in-Chief	Yes
Kahlie Singletary	Girls	No			

President’s Update (John Cox)

- USA Hockey Registry
- Move Sat Aug 8th in-person meeting to Sun Aug 9th Board call
- Propose a Zoom Call for all registrars; Propose Safesport coordinator call

Treasurer’s Update (Don Stone)

- Tax return to be filed by Wednesday
- Call with Association presidents

Secretary Update (Mike Kotas)

- 1) Acceptance of June meeting minutes (Approved)
- 2) Board Election Update
 - Georgia: Don Stone standing for re-election – No addnl Nominations
 - Alabama: Rich Bennet not standing for re-election – Debbie Barrie has won the election
 - Tennessee: Danny Butler not standing for re-election – Andy Franklin
 - Mississippi: Dennis McGuffie standing for re-election – No Addnl Nominations

Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)

- USA Hockey is 76% of last year; SE District is at 52%; Players & Coach’s: AL 318; GA 568; TN 822; MS 18; LS 43; AR 29;

- After Safesport is signed, Debbie has to make a request to Colorado but due to Furloughs processing may take time

SE District Director’s Report (Chris Powers)

- Finance committee call; 2/3rds of people on 2-week furlough

State Director Updates

- Georgia –** Rinks are open; Camps are being players out; Social Distancing and protection measure in affect
- Alabama -** Pelham opened up last week; 1st youth activity this week
- Tennessee -** Tier 1 tryouts; Tier 2 are coming up;
- Mississippi -** Going back under order to 20 inside or outside; Limited
- Arkansas -** Arkansas is seeing a surge in cases; Youth sports may not have games but can do individual; Men’s league has not been started up
- Louisiana -** No Report

Committee Updates

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chair</u>	<u>Notes</u>
ADM	Danny Butler	
Adult	Dennis McGuffie	
Audit	John Cox	
Coaching	Rick Murray	Meeting with Coach in Chief to schedule virtual coaching clinics; Bronze goalie clinics going virtual, should start to post in the next few weeks; Potential “Try-Goalie Events” potentially in partnership with a Mite Jamboree
Disabled	Ed Ragland	
DDR	Jack Flynn	No Report
Girls	Kahlie Singletary	
Goaltending	Andy Franklin	
High School	Jack Flynn	
Junior	Ryan McCormack	
Membership	Kevin Cook	
Referee	Jim Dewhirst	
Safesport	Rich Bennett	No Report
SYTHL	Russ Beatse	Annual Meeting on Monday July 13 th ; 1 st weekend to be scheduled November 7/8 th ; Scheduling to commence over a series of Zoom calls
Tier 1	Yan Kaminsky	
Player Dev	Jack Flynn	
College / Univ	Paul Petrarca	
Youth	Removed	

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New Business

Southern Amateur Hockey Association

Board Meeting Agenda – June 14th, 2020

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Mike Kotas	(GA) Secretary	Yes	Yan Kaminsky	(GA)	Yes
Don Stone	(GA) Treasurer	Yes	Paul Petrarca	(AR)	No
Jack Flynn	(TN)	No	Kevin Cook	(LA)	Yes
Danny Butler	(TN)	No	Dennis McGuffie	(MS)	Yes

Committee Members / Guests (Non-Voting)

Russ Beatse	SYTHL	Yes	Chris Powers	SE Director	Yes
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Jim Dewhirst	Referee-in-Chief	No	Rick Murray	Coach-in-Chief	Yes
Kahlie Singletary	Girls	No			

President’s Update (John Cox)

- Participated on the Diversity and Inclusion discussion
- Proposal for a 1-time \$1500 funding of a D&I initiative – **Passed – (8-0)**

Treasurer’s Update (Don Stone)

- Working on providing Accountants on the Tax Return

Secretary Update (Mike Kotas)

- 1) Acceptance of May meeting minutes (update to Birmingham Bulls contact info) – **Passed – (8-0)**
- 2) Board Election Update
 - Georgia: Don Stone standing for re-election – No addnl Nominations
 - Alabama: Rich Bennet not standing for re-election – 2 nominations Harry Leckemby and Debbie Barrie
 - Tennessee: Danny Butler not standing for re-election – 1 nomination Andy Franklin
 - Mississippi: Dennis McGuffie standing for re-election – No Addnl Nominations
- 3) Waiver Request for 10U Player -Atlanta Bandits- (Jack Flynn to discuss during DDR update)

Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)

- Registry to open on July 1st (no later than July 6th)
- If background screening has not been completed, a coach will be greyed-out in the system
- All '02 and '03 birthyears will require Safesport

- Annual guide to be virtual going forward
- As of June 10th, SE District 4,530 registrations (vs 14,142 at same time last year). ~32% of last year

SE District Director's Report (Chris Powers)

- Level 4 coaching session reduced to a 1-day event. Good for 3-years (in lieu of forever)
- If coaching Tier I or II, must take 3 CEP credits
- Safesport every year
- Backgrounds remain a 2 year process

State Director Updates

- Georgia** – All quiet; All Atlanta rinks have opened up a little bit; Columbus will not have ice until at the earliest, the 1st of August; Athens rink rented out for COVID related reasons. May have ice January 1st
- Alabama** - Huntsville had tryouts (highest numbers ever); Birmingham/Pelham scheduled in July. Ice is not available at this time.
- Tennessee** - Knoxville rink has opened (COVID restrictions); Nashville is in Phase 2; Phase 3 may be delayed
- Mississippi** - Olive Branch may be open in Early August; Jackson is in the middle of COVID
- Arkansas** - Small Lessons at the ice; Phase 2 in AR starts June 15th; Same with Jones Center
- Louisiana** - Planet Ice in Lafayette is open for business with some limitations. Shreveport may be 1st or 2nd week of August

Committee Updates

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chair</u>	<u>Notes</u>
ADM	Danny Butler	No Report
Adult	Dennis McGuffie	No Report
Audit	John Cox	No Report
Coaching	Rick Murray	Level 2 and 3 trial clinics held by the Pacific CIC as a test. Review of those meetings to be held in the next 2 weeks. Notice went out to all coach's that future clinics would occur after July 1 st .
Disabled	Ed Ragland	No Report
DDR	Jack Flynn	Goalie in Birmingham, wants to play at the Bandits; Player does not believe there is sufficient goaltending development in Birmingham (per Ryan McCormack)
Girls	Kahlie Singletary	No Report
Goaltending	Andy Franklin	No Report
High School	Jack Flynn	No Report
Junior	Ryan McCormack	No Report
Membership	Kevin Cook	Assembling committee members over the next few weeks
Referee	Jim Dewhirst	No Report
Safesport	Rich Bennett	No Report
SYTHL	Russ Beatse	Any type of waiver for Liability Release from USA Hockey to associations? Understanding is the Insurance covers injury not illness. Associations/Rinks must follow local state rules on requirements
Tier 1	Yan Kaminsky	No Report
Player Dev	Jack Flynn	No Report
College / Univ	Paul Petrarca	No Report

Youth

Removed

No Report

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Southern Amateur Hockey Association

Board Meeting Agenda – May 17th, 2020

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Russ Beatse	SYTHL	Yes	Chris Powers	SE Director	Yes
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Kahlie Singletary	Girls	No			

President’s Update (John Cox)

- Codify

Treasurer’s Update (Don Stone)

- No report

Secretary Update (Mike Kotas)

- 1) August Board Meeting – Virtual or In-Person – Hold off pending SYTHL meeting
- 2) Formation of a 3-Year long range calendar
- 3) April 19th meeting minutes approved as modified
- 4) Board Elections – Mike to initiate process

Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)

- No team activity at this time

SE District Director’s Report (Chris Powers)

State Director Updates

Georgia – Cooler and Madhatters hosted small group tryouts; Columbus does not have ice

- Alabama** - Scheduled for tryout session June 6-7 weekend (Small groups); Birmingham unsure when the ice will be put back in.
- Tennessee** - Phase 2 to open up June 9th. Hockey potentially to open up at that time on a limited basis; Knoxville
- Mississippi** - Nothing out of Biloxi; Mid-South doing maintenance and waiting until clearance to be open
- Arkansas** - Waiting to hear about when youth associations can start; Small group work can begin this week
- Louisiana** - Limited Activity in Lafayette (Small Groups)

Committee Updates

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chair</u>	<u>Notes</u>
ADM	Danny Butler	
Adult	Dennis McGuffie	
Audit	John Cox	
Coaching	Rick Murray	Met with Goalie and CEP coaching programs; New Level 1 curriculum sent out to all instructors; Currently prohibited from running any clinics at least until October; Variety of ideas (Virtual, Focus on Level 1, etc) in discussion; New intermediate nets and pes now part of Block Grant verbiage
Disabled	Ed Ragland	
DDR	Jack Flynn	
Girls	Kahlie Singletary	
Goaltending		
High School	Jack Flynn	
Junior	Ryan McCormack	
Membership	Kevin Cook	No Report
Referee	Jim Dewhirst	
Safesport	Rich Bennett	
SYTHL	Russ Beatse	Zoom Meeting on Monday May 11 th with all association. All scheduling meeting on Zoom cal. SYTHL in a Wait and See Mode. Next zoom meeting 1 st Monday in June. John and Chris to sit on next meeting.
Tier 1	Yan Kaminsky	
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- Online Web forms for processing requests
 - o State Tournament Form

- Play-Up Form
- Roster Waiver Form

New Business

Southern Amateur Hockey Association Board Meeting Agenda – April 19th, 2020

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Danny Butler	(TN)	Yes	Dennis McGuffie	(MS)	Yes

Committee Members / Guests (Non-Voting)

Russ Beatse	SYTHL	Yes	Chris Powers	SE Director	Yes
Debbie Polk	Registrar	Yes	David Polk	Registrar - SE	Yes
Jim Dewhirst	Referee-in-Chief	No	Rick Murray	Coach-in-Chief	Yes
Kahlie Singletary	Girls	No			

President’s Update (John Cox)

- Focus and shift to rallying around Rinks and getting participants
- Virtual Tryouts: (Motion by Don Stone and seconded); Because of current prohibition/rink closures, the motion is to allow a waiver for the 2020-2021 for Open Tryouts to allow for Tier 1 or Tier 2 teams to pick their rosters, past the national tournament date. (USA Hockey recommending affiliates push tryouts back to a later date for the safety of the players); Motion to suspend the meeting to reconvene Sunday April 26th at 8:00PM;

Board meeting was reconvened on Sunday April 26th, 2020:

- Written proposal was submitted by John Cox to the board. After discussion, one alteration was proposed and approved by the board.
- Page 2, Sections 1.C, 2.C and 3.C – Amendment to include “Full Refund...” “or if player makes a SAHA Tier 1 affiliated 11U, 12U, or 13U classified team.”
- **This session was attended by the Nashville Jr Preds for a portion of the call**
- Vote passed 11-0 (1 absent)

Treasurer’s Update (Don Stone)

- Report at this time

Secretary Update (Mike Kotas)

- February Meeting Minutes are approved

- Goal Peg Use @ 10U: \$650 For nets with Pegs; recommended for 2021-2022 season; No implementation during 2020-2021 season

Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)

- David Polk: 1st Week of Registrations for SE District 19-20 Season (1500 Reg) 20-21 (147-175 Reg); Concern around families and their economic situation
- David Polk: Annual Congress shifting to virtual meetings

SE District Director's Report (Chris Powers)

- Finance Committee – Focus on Revenue Streams and cutting expenses from USA Hockey staff; USA Hockey rcvd loan from SBA; Reduce the grant/load program to the affiliate in terms of % rcvd; Suggestions for 1-year freeze on Coaching and/or Referee certifications; Proposal to shut down ADM; Proposals to stop all International competition for a year

State Director Updates

Georgia – Virtual Tryouts potentially May 15-17

Alabama - Ice available VonBraun center; Mini-Sheet 50'-100' built but can't occupy at this time; May 11th would be potential for youth sports to return; Birmingham is shut down, do not know when tryouts will be scheduled

Tennessee -

Mississippi -

Arkansas - Took ice out to do Mtc in Little Rock; No update in Northwest Arkansas

Louisiana - Ice is out in Shreveport; Lafayette is in Wait and See mode

Committee Updates

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chair</u>	<u>Notes</u>
ADM	Danny Butler	No Update
Adult	Dennis McGuffie	No Update
Audit	John Cox	No Update
Coaching	Rick Murray	Normal scheduling is too early; National Office suggests new Level 1 and 2 clinics are ready to go with new content; Level 5 clinic scheduled for August has been postponed for 1 year; USA Hockey Coaching webinars on Tue/Wed/Thu afternoons
Disabled	Ed Ragland	No Update
DDR	Jack Flynn	No Update
Girls	Kahlie Singletary	Not Present
Goaltending		Not Present
High School	Jack Flynn	No Update
Junior	Ryan McCormack	No Update
Membership	Kevin Cook	No Update
Referee	Jim Dewhirst	Not Present
Safesport	Rich Bennett	Not Present
SYTHL	Russ Beatse	Not Present
Tier 1	Yan Kaminsky	Not Present
Player Dev	Jack Flynn	Cancelled Nationally and at District Level
College / Univ	Paul Petrarca	Not Present
Youth	Removed	

Old Business

- Goal Peg Use: Discussion continued on Goal Peg use; Rick Murray provided a recommendation on Goal Peg Use for 10U and under however discussion was generated on both providing appropriate pegs & nets (specifically mid-sized nets for squirts); Rick to follow up with Russ Beatse in SYTHL to confer
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New Business

Southern Amateur Hockey Association Board Meeting Agenda – March 8th, 2020

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern Amateur Hockey Association (“SAHA”) was held on Sunday January 12th, 2020 beginning at 8:00 pm EST/7:00 pm CST via conference call.

The conference call dial in number is (605) 313-5086. The participant access code is: 300310#.

MEETING AGENDA

Roll Call: (QUORUM WAS NOT MET)

Board Members (Voting)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Present</u>
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Jack Flynn	(TN)	No	Kevin Cook	(LA)	No
Danny Butler	(TN)	No	Dennis McGuffie	(MS)	Yes

Committee Members / Guests (Non-Voting)

Russ Beatse	SYTHL	Yes	Chris Powers	SE Director	No
Debbie Polk	Registrar	No	David Polk	Registrar - SE	No
Jim Dewhirst	Referee-in-Chief	No	Rick Murray	Coach-in-Chief	No
Kahlie Singletary	Girls	No			

President’s Update (John Cox)

Quorum was not met to have a meeting. Non-Quorum topics included:

- Russ Beatse to contact Rick Murray on 10U Net Size
- Mike to reschedule April 12th meeting to April 5th due to Easter and PD
- John to host executive call on Summer Meeting date

Treasurer’s Update (Don Stone)

Secretary Update (Mike Kotas)

Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)

- Request for Registrar Break-out Session during summer meeting
- Proposal on table “In order for an association to have a national bound/travel team, the association registrar needs to have completed a training session with the SAHA registrar. Proposed deadline of August 31st”

SE District Director’s Report (Chris Powers)

State Director Updates

- Georgia –
- Alabama -

Tennessee -
Mississippi -
Arkansas -
Louisiana -

Committee Updates

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chair</u>	<u>Notes</u>
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Adult	Dennis McGuffie	No Update
Audit	John Cox	No Update
Coaching	Rick Murray	
Disabled	Ed Ragland	No Update
DDR	Jack Flynn	No Update
Girls	Kahlie Singletary	Not Present
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High School	Jack Flynn	No Update
Junior	Ryan McCormack	No Update
Membership	Kevin Cook	No Update
Referee	Jim Dewhirst	Not Present
Safesport	Rich Bennett	Not Present
SYTHL	Russ Beatse	Not Present
Tier 1	Yan Kaminsky	Not Present
Player Dev	Jack Flynn	Not Present
College / Univ	Paul Petrarca	Not Present
Youth	Removed	

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New Business

Southern Amateur Hockey Association

Board Meeting Agenda – February 8th, 2020

An in-person meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern Amateur Hockey Association (“SAHA”) was held on Saturday February 8th, 2020 beginning at 11:00AM EST in Atlanta.

The conference call dial in number is (605) 313-5086. The participant access code is: 300310#.

MEETING AGENDA

Roll Call:

Board Members (Voting)

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Jack Flynn	(TN)	No	Kevin Cook	(LA)	Yes
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President’s Update (John Cox)

Treasurer’s Update (Don Stone)

-2020-2021 Budget provided

Secretary Update (Mike Kotas)

- January 12th Meeting Minutes Approval; Minutes approved 7-0 (5 not present)
- Updated President’s information

Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)

- Debbie provided the Count of Registrations by District and State as of January 6th, 2020
- Keith Barrett is new Youth Council VP
- Permanent ID with multiple registration #'s to avoid clerical errors | Family Log In
- Request for Registrar Break-out Session during summer meeting
- Proposal on table “In order for an association to have a national bound/travel team, the association registrar needs to have completed a training session with the SAHA registrar. Proposed deadline of August 31st”

SE District Director’s Report (Chris Powers)

- Winter Meeting update included adding Tobacco/Vaping to current prohibition of Drugs/Alcohol
- No 13U/14U player can player higher than 16U

- Discussion on Level 4 coaching – including 5 hours of CEP re-cert of 3 years (NTB)
- National Screening (Vs affiliate screening) starts April 1st 2020

State Director Updates

- Georgia** – State Tournament all set
- Alabama** - Huntsville to install Mini-sheet for 12U and below (Mar 15-May 20)
- Tennessee** - No Update
- Mississippi** - Biloxi ice is back-up
- Arkansas** - Small Reg #'s
- Louisiana** - Shreveport LA with no ice

Committee Updates

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chair</u>	<u>Notes</u>
ADM	Danny Butler	No Update
Adult	Dennis McGuffie	No Update
Audit	John Cox	No Update
Coaching	Rick Murray	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CIC to manage budget - Why does \$3500 go to District? - Working on Goaltending Dev Coordinator for each state - Request for \$4500 to send 3x Coaches to NARC (Silver Level 2)
Disabled	Ed Ragland	No Update
DDR	Jack Flynn	No Update
Girls	Kahlie Singletary	Not Present
Goaltending		Not Present
High School	Jack Flynn	No Update
Junior	Ryan McCormack	No Update
Membership	Kevin Cook	No Update
Referee	Jim Dewhirst	Not Present
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New Business

- Safesport Audit due but information / mandate has not been received

- Discussion around Atlanta Bandits player with progressive Majors (potentially from a non-sanctioned tournament); Don to reach out to Steve Whitfield and bring in Rich Bennett and Jack Flynn (DDR)

Southern Amateur Hockey Association

Board Meeting Agenda – January 12th, 2020

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President’s Update (John Cox)

Secretary Update (Mike Kotas)

- December 8th Meeting Minutes Approval; Minutes approved 10-0 (2 not present)
- Updated Minutes Book to include Association, Committee, and Board Registers
- Play-Up Request: Knoxville / Do we need to continue this form?
- NE Georgia Hockey Association – Bethany Lambert 11/13/2019

Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)

- Feb 29-Mar 1 – Georgia State Tournament Dates
- Bob McCaig Cup Books due February 7th

State Director Updates

- Georgia** – Processing the 2020 Bob McCaig Cup tournament
- Alabama** - Solidify ice at the Von Braun ice center (Zero ice available April and May)
- Tennessee** - Scheduling state playoffs for 14U
- Mississippi** - Biloxi ice has been shut down; Gulf Coast Aces have registered some players
- Arkansas** - No Update; Thoughts with Paul
- Louisiana** - Little traction with the Lafayette program; 15U Girl asking to play up on a coed adult team in Baton Rouge; Currently have to say ‘No’ due to background screening and safesport trained. David Polk on record to saying ‘No’ to the play up

Committee Updates

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chair</u>	<u>Notes</u>
ADM	Danny Butler	No Update
Adult	Dennis McGuffie	No Update
Audit	John Cox	No activity; Tax Return has not been sent; Off-Year; Don to follow-up with CPA in Colorado Springs
Coaching	Rick Murray	177x Level 1; 95x level 2; 75x Level 3; 2x Bronze Goal tending clinics 15 coach's; 1x gold clinic in Nashville 6x coaches; Discussion on goal pegs with tentative recommendation for Piranha PegX and Intermediate nets at 8U; No goalie at 6U
Disabled	Ed Ragland	No Update
DDR	Jack Flynn	No Update
Girls	Kahlie Singletary	Not Present
Goaltending		Not Present
High School	Jack Flynn	No Update
Junior	Ryan McCormack	No Update
Membership	Kevin Cook	All grant checks have dis-appeared; Checks have been cancelled and re-issued; Need total registrations for the affiliate
Referee	Jim Dewhirst	Not Present
Safesport	Rich Bennett	Not Present
SYTHL	Russ Beatse	End of Year tournament planning; Summer Meeting June 20 th ;
Tier 1	Yan Kaminsky	Motion to extend Jr Preds application deadline to the Jan 20 th . Discussion around by-passing busy work; General discussion is to follow process discipline and propose alterations at the winter meeting for the future.
Player Dev	Jack Flynn	Ramping up; Put update on website; Notices sent out; In Nashville for 2020; April 11 th -12 th (Easter Weekend); Jerseys all squared away
College / Univ	Paul Petrarca	Cancelled University Showcase; May try to find alternate date outside of February
Youth	Removed	

Old Business

Winter Meeting Tentative Agenda

- Goal Peg Use
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Southern Amateur Hockey Association

Board Meeting Minutes – December 8th, 2019

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Committee Members / Guests (Non-Voting)

Russ Beatse	SYTHL	Yes	Chris Powers	SE Director	Yes
Debbie Polk	Registrar	Yes	David Polk	Registrar - SE	No
			Kahlie Singletary	Girls	No

President’s Update (John Cox)

- **WAIVER Request – Madden Jones** – Approved 10-0 (2 not present)
- **August 8-9, 2020 – Summer SAHA Meetings tentative date**; Add to Agenda for Winter Meeting
- **Goal Pegs for 10U** – Question from the referee association from a game where a coach was arguing about the use of goal posts because USA Hockey is directing players (within context of goal tending development) to push laterally off a goal post. This would primarily require the use of a peg. This potentially contradicts player safety requirements. Brief research shows AHAI (Illinois district) has banned use of goal pegs at the 10U and under classifications for player safety. Additional discussion centered around Wylie Pegs. After discussion, agreement to further investigate, add to winter agenda and ban use of pegs immediately. A vote was held: **Motion:** There shall be no peg use to anchor nets during games involving teams aged 10U and younger; Motion seconded and passed (10-0 vote; 2 not present); Memo drafted, approved and distributed to all associations on December 15th, 2019

Secretary Update (Mike Kotas)

- November 13th Meeting Minutes were approved
- NE Georgia Hockey Association – Bethany Lambert 11/13/2019

Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)

- Feb 29-Mar 1 – Georgia State Tournament Dates
- Books due February 14th
- Question: Are non-registered Hockey Canada teams allowed to participate in games within the affiliate. Answer: Per USAH Annual guide, this action is not allowed.

State Director Updates

Georgia Updates – Mite 8U up to 9 Jamboree teams for intra-Atlanta Jamborees (4 teams in upper and 5 teams in the lower division). All 5 Atlanta youth associations are participating

Alabama Updates – No Update

Tennessee Updates – No Update

Mississippi Updates – Work on Temporary Ice

Arkansas Updates – No Update

Louisiana Updates – Working with Lafayette to appropriately improve registrations

Committee Updates

- ADM (Danny Butler) – No Update
- Adult (Dennis McGuffie) – No Update
- Audit (John Cox) – No Update
- Disabled (Ed Ragland) – No Update
- DDR (Jack Flynn) – Incident Report - Game Misconduct – Columbus Hockey Date 11/17/2019
- Girls (Kahlie Singletary) – Not present
- High School (Jack Flynn) – No Update
- Junior (Ryan McCormack) – No Update
- Membership Growth (Kevin Cook) – Grant Checks have been cut and distributed
- Safesport (Rich Bennett) – No Update
- SYTHL (Russ Beatse) – No Update
- Tier I (Yan Kaminsky) – Not present
- Player Development (Jack Flynn) – No Update
- College / University (Paul Petrarca) – Invitations sent out for Showcase on Feb 6-8, 2020
- Youth Chair (Removed)

Old Business –

New Business -

Southern Amateur Hockey Association Board Meeting Minutes – November 10, 2019

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern Amateur Hockey Association (“SAHA”) was held on Sunday November 10, 2019 beginning at 8:00 pm EST/7:00 pm CST via conference call.

The conference call dial in number is (605) 313-5086. The participant access code is: 300310#.

MEETING AGENDA

Roll Call:

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Mike Kotas	(GA) Secretary	Yes	Yan Kaminsky	(GA)	Yes
Don Stone	(GA) Treasurer	No	Paul Petrarca	(AR)	No
Jack Flynn	(TN)	Yes	Kevin Cook	(LA)	Yes
Danny Butler	(TN)	No	Dennis McGuffie	(MS)	Yes
Russ Beatse	SYTHL (Non Voting)	Yes	Chris Powers (NV)	SE Director	Yes
Debbie Polk	Registrar – SAHA (NV)	Yes	David Polk (NV)	Registrar - SE	Yes
			Kahlie Singletary	Girls Comm	No

President’s Update (John Cox)

- John distributed August and September Financials
- Deana Clements to handle Accounts Payable
- SAHA – Winter Meeting – Sat Feb 8, 2020; 11AM-3PM; Atlanta – SpringHill Suites (College Park)
- SYTHL Scheduling Meeting now set for June 21, 2020; Request for Registrar Breakout Session
- August 8-9, 2020 – Summer SAHA Meetings tentative date

Secretary Update (Mike Kotas)

- Approval of August 10 Meeting Minutes (Approved)
- Approval of October 13 Meeting Minutes (Approved)

Registrar Update (Debbie Polk)

- NTB Info packets have been sent out
- Feb 29-Mar 1 – Georgia State Tournament Dates
- Books due February 14th
- 143 Total Teams to date in SAHA

State Director Updates

Georgia Updates – No Update

Alabama Updates – Starting March 15th, Huntsville out of ice due to Wilcoxon Iceplex renovations. Decatur Rink closed for the season. Limited ice availability provided at the VonBraun Center during the Iceplex closure.

Tennessee Updates – Belleview facility open

Mississippi Updates – Biloxi struggling to get their ice up; Problems with equipment

Arkansas Updates – No Update

Louisiana Updates – Baton Rouge does not plan to get ice up

Committee Updates

- ADM (Danny Butler) – No Update
- Adult (Dennis McGuffie) – No Update
- Audit (John Cox) – Info submitted to Tax Accountant
- Disabled (Ed Ragland) – No Update
- DDR (Jack Flynn) – 601f (Abuse of officials) in Atlanta Adult League however expired on Oct 30; No other updates; Waiver for Atlanta player to play for Birmingham; 601e3 (Racial Slur) immediately becomes a Match Penalty; Jack to keep directors and Debbie on match penalties and follow-up
- Girls (Kahlie Singletary) – No Update;
- High School (Jack Flynn)
- Junior (Ryan McCormack)
- Membership Growth (Kevin Cook) – Discussion on Grants; Not recommending Gulf Coast Aces cross-ice boards however proving some money for Learn to Play programs along with NHL grant program; Committee if Kevin, Chris, and Don; Grants Approved
- Safesport (Rich Bennett) – No Updates;
- SYTHL (Russ Beatse) – No Updates
- Tier I (Yan Kaminsky) – No Updates
- Player Development (Jack Flynn) – Quiet today; rounding up evaluators; SAHA is planned to host 2020 SE Girls Players development; Chris to work with Kahlie to find solution on a date and location
- College / University (Paul Petrarca)
- Youth Chair (Removed)

Old Business –

Kevin Cook – Send USA Hockey Registration # to Kevin (for all SAHA Members)
Rich Bennett - 1,461 Active Background Screened participants

New Business -

No new business

Southern Amateur Hockey Association Board Meeting Minutes - October 13, 2019

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern Amateur Hockey Association (“SAHA”) was held on Sunday October 13, 2018 beginning at 8:00 pm EST/7:00 pm CST via conference call.

The conference call dial in number is (605) 313-5086. The participant access code is: 300310#.

MEETING AGENDA

Roll Call:

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John Cox	(TN) President	Yes	Ryan McCormack	(AL)	Yes
Rich Bennett	(AL) 2 nd VP	Yes	Ralph Drensek	(AL)	No
Mike Kotas	(GA) Secretary	Yes	Yan Kaminsky	(GA)	No
Don Stone	(GA) Treasurer	Yes	Paul Petrarca	(AR)	Yes
Jack Flynn	(TN)	No	Kevin Cook	(LA)	No
Danny Butler	(TN)	No	Dennis McGuffie	(MS)	Yes
Russ Beatse	SYTHL (Non Voting)	Yes	Chris Powers (NV)	SE Director	Yes
Debbie Polk	Registrar – SAHA (NV)	No	David Polk (NV)	Registrar - SE	No
Kyle Richards	Birmingham (NV)	Yes			

President’s Update (John Cox)

1. **Tier 1 Allocations:** For the 2020-2021 season, USA Hockey has allocated up to 2x Tier 1 Boys teams and 1x Tier 1 Girls teams. Does not necessarily mean there will be teams in those slots
2. **Referee Incident:** Please note that there was an out-of-affiliate incident that included an affiliate team. An injury occurred to a player (broken collar-bone) however the referee did not assess a penalty to the player who caused the injury. The coach of the injured player berated the official as well as the parents approached the referee in the dressing room with verbal abuse (no physical contact fortunately). Video of the incident was sent to the referee-in-chief which deemed that the appropriate call should have been a 5 and game misconduct. The video was subsequently sent to all referees in said state for review and education. The Parents and the Coach are of the injured player, however, are both of for review with the association board due to their poor behavior.
 - a. Note that there a 3 key-points
 - i. Behavior of the player who made the egregious incident (the offending player)
 - ii. Behavior of the Coach of the injured player
 - iii. Behavior of the Parents of the injured player
 - b. All 3 items above are of extremely unacceptable form
 - c. The key point is do not put yourself, your players, or have your get themselves into any of these situations. If you have a concern with a referees actions, there are processes in place. Namely, get with Stephane, and he can either handle directly with the referees or he can take it to me as a Member of the SAHA Board and we can go to the Referees association

Secretary Update (Mike Kotas)

Registrar Update (Debbie Polk – Not in Attendance)

Committee Updates

- ADM (Danny Butler)
- Adult (Dennis McGuffie)
- Audit (John Cox)

- Disabled (Ed Ragland)
- DDR (Jack Flynn)
- Girls (Kahlie Singletary)
- High School (Jack Flynn)
- Junior (Ryan McCormack)
- Membership Growth (Kevin Cook)
- SYTHL (Russ Beatse)
 - Discussed solid growth for the SYTHL
 - Discussion will be held on whether to move all scheduling to July
 - Squirt Leveling tournament now in second year. For 2020, will be held July 25-26
- Tier I (Yan Kaminnsky)
- Player Development (Jack Flynn)
- College / University (Paul Petrarca)
- Youth Chair (Removed)

Old Business

New Business

Alabama

- Erik Hudson leaving Pelham on October 23rd
- Huntsville Von Braun Center under renovations

Mississippi – Temporary Ice

Georgia

- Several Incidents at the Atlanta Ice House with Adult League hockey players
- Assault of official to go to Director of Referees
- 3 incidents, 1 outstanding
- GA State Tournament weekend of Feb 28 – Mar 1

Tennessee

- Grand Opening of Belleview facility

Southern Amateur Hockey Association

Minutes of General Session

August 10, 2019

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern Amateur Hockey Association (“SAHA”) was held on Sunday August 5, 2018 beginning at 8:00 pm EST/7:00 pm CST via conference call.

The conference call dial in number is (641) 715-3680. The participant access code is: 300310#.

MEETING AGENDA

President’s Update
Secretary Update
Registrar Update
Committee Update
Old Business
New Business

Meeting Called to order at 8:43PM on 8/10/19

(Roll Call: Per attendance sheet)

- David Polk is leaving to become the SE District Registrar
- Debbie Polk to become the new SAHA Registrar
- Bill Medberry is retiring (not in attendance)
- Ed Ragland is retiring (not in attendance)
- Mike Kotas seated as new Georgia Director
- Ralph Drensek seated as new Alabama director

President’s report

- Points of emphasis
 - o Safesport
 - o Discussion arose on the USA Hockey Adoption and enforcement policy; Attorney’s for rinks are suggesting that the liability and fees are there to cover the USA Hockey fees
 - o Request to remove verbiage stating the USA Hockey registrar will withhold rostering of teams if associations don’t sign
 - o Clarity has been stated that the page 1 form “USA Hockey Member program...” is the form required prior to allowing rostering
 - o The second form is questioned for lawyer signature “SAHA Membership Agreement”.
 - o US Congress intervention to drive safesport, education for minors
 - o U17/U18 players must be safesport but not background checked
 - o Introduced Stephanie Jackson – USA Hockey diversity & inclusion

Secretary Report – Bill Medbery (Not present); No Report

Treasurer Report – Don Stone

- o 2019-2020 Approved Plan and Budget reviewed

Girls Report – Kahlie Singletary

- THFF form must be filled out to be sanctioned (David Polk)
- Kahlie to offer to come around help set up tournaments, etc

Dr. Tyler Barrett – NYHL

- Opioid Use
- Education program developed for Travel Teams
- Report available to share. Send a drop-box link

Annual Congress Report – Chris Powers

- Safesport (registration reqs, annually requirement moving forward (refresher 30 minute class); requirements extend to owners, officers, directors, etc; Probably should certify everyone; All people taking safesport becomes a mandatory reporter (failure to report); Training – 17YO's and above must take safesport (per above)
- Re-emphasis on Body checking (enforcement)
 - No late hits
 - No hits to the head
 - No checking from behind
 - Defenseless players
 - Refs instructed to look at stick position
 - Lead checks with truck waist up (no leading with hands, etc)
 - Don't finish your hits; make attempts to avoid excess checking
- Registrations #'s are beginning to plateau
 - Demographics for USA Hockey are out of synch with demographics of the country
 - 50% of US population is mixed race and outreach needs to occur

- **Stephanie Jackson** – USA Hockey Diversity & Inclusion

- Diversity Discussion held

- **Audit Committee Report** – John Cox

- Complied with minor changes

- **Player Development** – Jack Flynn

- Good numbers in 2019 Huntsville
- 2020 PD in Nashville
- Weekend date (Easter Weekend)
- Fees include Ice, Jerseys and outside evaluators
- Volunteers welcomed

- **Disabled Hockey** – Ed Ragland

- Blind Hockey
- Military Hockey (Active and Veterans) with a certain degree of dis-ability

- **High School** – Jack Flynn

- Larger leagues in Atlanta and Nashville
- One team sent to USA Hockey Nationals

- **Tier 1 Report** –John Cox

- Jr Preds are only Tier 1 team

- **SYTHL League** – Russ Beatse

- Introduced Squirt Leveling tournament
- Growth of teams

- **Membership** – Kevin Cook

- SAHA shrunk at the 8U level (-6%)
- Grant Program
- **Predators Growth Program** – Mike Skeats
 - 9 Youth growth programs
- **Goaltending** – Andrew Franklin (replacing Erik Hudson)
 - Must have level 1 before you can go to goaltending seminar
 - Can One up to levels 2 and/or 3
 - Coordinate Session at Center Ice
- **Coaching Education Program** – Rick
 - CEP Discussion held
- **Referee Report** – Jim Dewhirst
 - Body designed for separating the puck, not intimidation
 - No banging of sticks after a check
- **Safesport** – Rich Bennett
 - Safesport presentation overview
- **Registrar** – Debbie Polk
 - SE District 3rd largest district in USA Hockey
 - Rosters will not be approved until the USA hockey Safesport adoption policy letter is signed
 - Stress scoresheet hygiene
 - Declare for National bound then pull back later
 - Send 30+ scoresheets
- Meeting adjourned at 1:14PM

Southern Amateur Hockey Association

Minutes of Annual Board Meeting

August 10, 2019

SAHA Board - 2:28PM

Present at the August 10, 2018 meeting were 2019-2020 Directors

John Cox

Richard Bennett

Rick Murray

Kevin Cook

Danny Butler

Dennis McGuffie

Paul Petrarca

Chris Powers

Nikel McDougal

Yan Kaminsky

Russ Beatse

David Polk

Debbie Polk

Ryan McCormack

Jack Flynn

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Officer Elections

Treasurer – Don Stone Nominated

Secretary – Mike Kotas Nominated

Second Vice President - Rich Bennett incumbent

1st Vice president - Jack Flynn

Committee Seating

ADM – Danny

Adult – Dennis McGuffie

Audit – John Cox

College – Paul Petrarca

Disabled – Ed Ragland; Ryan to help

DDR – Jack Flynn

Girls – Kahlie Singletary

High School – Don Stone Chair

Player Development – Jack Flynn

SYTHL – Russ Beatse

Tier 1 – Yan Kaminsky

Youth Committee – Removed

Old Business

College Hockey Federation

Don motions to go into exec session

New Business

- Don presents the Budget to approve
 - o \$4K moved from membership growth to SAHA Overhead
 - o Requested Grant from SYTHL of \$5k to support SYTHL's 501C standing with the IRS through Tennessee. All volunteers to be Safesport trained (8 total people). Single Grant request
 - o Unsure of the annual recurring part of the budget moving forward
 - o Motion to accept presented budget with the exception to move \$5K out of the \$8K in the Membership growth to support SYTHL
 - o Motion to approve, Budget approved
 - o Ford Ice Center - Belleview Rink (High School Showcase)
 - o Kevin needs USA Hockey Registration # and Conflict of Interest form

Meeting adjourned at 3:10PM