

UPPER ST. CLAIR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

Annual Meeting—April 18, 2018 (at Upper St. Clair High School LGI)

2017-18 Board Members Present

Frank Buonomo
Erik Happ
Dave Speer
Brad Sileo
Frank Buonomo
Laurie Petito
Pete Gialames
Ed Gaussa
Brian Ruffner
John McShane
Jesse Sweet

2017-18 Board Members Absent

Prashant Gosai
Dave Finn
Laura Schuster
Bill Goodman

Additional Attendees

See attached sign-in sheets

The Annual Meeting was called to order by President Frank Buonomo at approximately 7:05 p.m.

Minutes

- The minutes from the 2017 annual meeting were reviewed by the attendees. A motion was made to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded and the minutes were then approved by voice vote.

Treasurer's Report

- Dave Speer presented the treasurer's report (attached).

Executive Committee Reports

- There were no Executive Committee reports.

Standing Committee Reports

- There were no Standing Committee reports.

Other Committee Reports

- Brad Sileo presented proposed changes to the Upper St. Clair Hockey Association Bylaws. It was noted that the recommended changes to the Bylaws had been reviewed and

recommended by the Board at a prior meeting. In addition to minor stylistic changes, the three most significant proposed changes to the Bylaws were discussed: (a) Modifying the definition of “Active Member” to eliminate confusion; (b) Modifying the definition of “Executive Committee” to make it consistent with normal Board practice; and (c) Adjusting the term length of six Board positions (President, Treasurer, Secretary, Vice President—Operations and Coaching, Vice President—Registrar and Vice President—Fundraising) from one to two years on a staggered basis. (Specific details on these changes are included in the attached redlines.) A motion was made to approve proposed bylaw changes. The motion was seconded and the bylaw revisions were approved unanimously by the membership by voice vote.

- Frank Buonomo provided an update on the coaching staff. Frank noted that Ray Conway will not return as Varsity Head Coach. Frank stated that a Coaching Committee has begun the process of interviewing candidates and that the intent is to finalize the head coaching position prior to tryouts, which begin on May 14, 2018.
- Cormac McCarthy provided an update on the Junior Panthers. Cormac stated that the program has been successful and that he hopes for continued success. It was noted that due to Cormac’s son aging out of the Junior Panthers program, Cormac is stepping down from his role. The Board and Membership applauded Cormac and thanked him for his years of dedicated service to Junior Panthers. Cormac introduced Matthew Breneman, who will take over responsibility for the Junior Panthers Program.
- John McShane provided an update on uniforms and equipment. John explained to the Membership that the Board had approved a change in uniform vendors from KO Sports to Pure Hockey. The change in vendors is intended to provide cost savings to members along with shipment of uniforms directly to members’ homes.

Elections for USC Hockey Board Positions

- On March 23, 2018, an email was circulated to the Membership containing notice of the Annual Meeting and seeking persons to run for Board positions. As of the start of the Annual Meeting, the following persons had been nominated for Board positions:
 - **President (2018-19):** Frank Buonomo
 - **Treasurer (2018-19):** Dave Speer and Christopher Cottrill
 - **Secretary (2018-19):** Jesse Sweet
 - **Vice President—Operations and Coaching (2018-20):** Ed Gausa
 - **Vice President—Registrar (2018-20):** Pete Gialames
 - **Vice President—Fundraising (2018-20):** Jake Ploeger
 - **Director—At Large (2018-19):** Brad Sileo
 - **Director—Communications (2018-19):** Erik Happ
 - **Director—Equipment Manager (2018-19):** John McShane
 - **Director—PIHL Representative (2018-19):** Prashant Gosai

- A vote by written ballot was conducted for the contested position of Treasurer. In addition to the two existing nominees, the Membership at the meeting was asked if anyone else was interested in running for the position. No additional members showed interest in running. After votes were collected and tallied, Dave Speer was declared the winner of the election for Treasurer.
- Regarding those positions for which only one candidate was presented, Frank Buonomo, Pete Gialames and Jesse Sweet each separately asked attendees at the meeting if anyone additional was interested in running for any of the positions on the ballot. No one showed any interest. After these requests, a motion was made to close the nominations and to declare each of the uncontested nominees as the winner of the various elections for Board positions. The motion was seconded and was approved unanimously by voice vote.
- Based on the foregoing, the incoming USC Hockey Board (with length of terms per the Bylaws) will be:
 - President: Frank Buonomo (2018-19)
 - VP—Director of Operations and Coaching: Ed Gausa (2018-19 and 2019-20)
 - VP—Fundraising: Jake Ploeger (2018-19 and 2019-20)
 - VP—Registrar: Pete Gialames (2018-19 and 2019-20)
 - Past President: Dave Finn
 - PIHL Representative: Prashant Gosai (2018-19)
 - Director of Communications: Erik Happ (2018-19)
 - Equipment Manager: John McShane (2018-19)
 - Member-At-Large: Brad Sileo (2018-19)
 - Treasurer: Dave Speer (2018-19)
 - Secretary: Jesse Sweet (2018-19)
 - Manager of Varsity Team: TBD
 - Manager of JV Team: TBD
 - Manager of Middle School 1 Team: TBD
 - Manager of Middle School 2 Team: TBD

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded, and was then approved by voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jesse Sweet, Secretary