

Monday, October 25, 2021

Dear York Simcoe Express Members,

On behalf of the YSE Board of Directors, we hope you are enjoying these first few weeks of the season and a return to more normal hockey for our players and teams. Thank you once again for your commitment to abiding by these new public health protocols to ensure a safe and successful season.

The pandemic circumstances changed the season schedule for YSE in a number of ways, including the timing for our Annual General Meeting which would normally occur in May following tryouts in April. Last year, we were forced to hold our 2020 AGM as an online meeting due to government health and safety restrictions. This year, we are pleased to be able to plan for a return to an *in-person meeting* scheduled for **Thursday, November 4 at 7 p.m. at New Roads Performing Arts Centre in Newmarket (505 Pickering Crescent).**

The Annual General Meeting is a critical part of the YSE calendar, providing members information and insight into all areas of operation of your association as well as input into the future of the association through the election process. That process is even more important as we continue to manage the impact from the pandemic and the restrictions that affected our programming for the past 18 months.

One of YSE's greatest advantages is the strength of our volunteers and that is especially true as we managed the last season and prepared for the coming season. The talents and expertise of the members within the association are second to none and I would ask that you attend the AGM to find out what role you can play in ensuring success for YSE and its players in the years to come.

As a reminder, four positions on the YSE Board of Directors are up for election at the 2021 Annual General Meeting: *President, Treasurer, Registrar and Equipment Director*. Nomination forms for these elected positions are available on the YSE website and are due by Thursday, October 28 for consideration.

Following the AGM, the YSE nominations and elections committee will be receiving applications for a number of appointed Board positions including area reps for Aurora, Georgina, Bradford and Schomberg. As always, if members are interested in exploring how they can contribute to the association by volunteering for a position on the Board of Directors, feel free to contact me for more information by email at <u>dave.haggith@hotmail.com</u> or by phone at 416-450-1681.

Until then, we wish your family the best of health and success on the ice and off for your child.

Yours truly,

Dave Haggith President, York Simcoe Express Hockey Association