

Board Trustee Nominee Biographical Information

The following information is requested of any candidate for a contested CCYHA Board of Trustee position. This information will be available on the CCYHA website and at the Chiller Dublin rink. All candidates must be a member in good standing with CCYHA. Please be brief in your responses.

Name: **Paul Sohner**

Provide any personal information you would like voters to know. (Please include where you live in the community and for how long, number of children active in CCYHA, brief information about your professional background, and anything else you consider pertinent):

From the moment I arrived in Hilliard, in 2005, I knew this would be the city in which my family would flourish. Hilliard and the surrounding communities encourage and foster the advancement of children, family and community. Our children have been active in skating shortly after they began to walk. Christian has been a participant in CCYHA activities for 2 years and is currently a Mite. My daughter and wife are active and competitive figure skaters, and I am on my fourth season in the Chiller Men's E league hockey group. Every day, in our family, is a skating day!

I am employed with Nationwide Children's Hospital as the Chief Anesthetist, and cannot imagine doing anything else. I take great joy and pride in working, teaching and caring for the children in our community.

Summarize any previous CCYHA volunteer experience or similar experience with other youth athletic organizations, including coaching, commissioner, board member, etc.:

As my children are young, this would be my first experience as a member of a youth organization committee. Given this, I am in the beginning stages of completing the coaching certification and look forward to being actively involved in my children's sports.

Do you participate in other volunteer activities about which you would like the CCYHA voting members to know?

Being a trustee, in our home association, for the last 4 years and having volunteered for various events in the neighborhood, I understand the importance of volunteers, which is one reason why I find CCYHA so effective and energizing.

Briefly describe why you would like to become a CCYHA board member and add any additional information you would like to provide that would support your belief that you would be a productive addition to the CCYHA board.

CCYHA is a great organization, with wonderful volunteers that make it the organization that it is. Having grown to love and appreciate the sport of hockey, as well as enjoying watching my son grow and develop his hockey skills. I hope to become more involved in this organization, to increase my own personal knowledge of the sport, support my son throughout his hockey experience and to assist CCYHA to continue to be a strong organization that provides a positive atmosphere for the children, to learn and enjoy this sport! The managerial skills that I utilize, for my profession, as well as my excitement and love of the game, will assist me to be an asset to the CCYHA board. I believe that I work well with groups and can be instrumental in assisting group decisions.

Briefly describe, if elected, the priority you would place on the volunteer time for CCYHA and provide a brief statement regarding the amount of quality time you anticipate you would be able to commit to the organization. This is an exciting opportunity, to be an active member in CCYHA and ensure that this organization continues to be great for my son and all of the other participants! Having the entire family involved in ice skating and hockey, I am well aware of the time commitment necessary for this sport. Assisting this organization would be a top priority, and I anticipate an average of 1-5 hours per week to be dedicated to this position, with increased requirements during times of tournaments and tryouts. Thank you for this opportunity and your consideration.

I have read the Trustee obligations posted on CCYHA.org. I acknowledge the commitment associated with being a Board Member of CCYHA and attest that I am able to fulfill the responsibilities and obligations associated with the position.

 X Yes No