

Niskayuna Athletics Booster Club, Inc.
Board of Directors
Meeting Date: January 14, 2026
Meeting Location: Virtual

1. **Call to Order** at 7:00 pm
2. **Roll Call of Officers and Directors** to ensure quorum (Currently 8 directors so 5 directors are needed to be present for a quorum per Article VI(I))

Andrew Katz	Present
Corey Ausfeld	Present
Madisyn DaParano	Excused
Frank Ferrucci	Present
Terri Dutcher	Present
Sarah Ciesinski	Present
Lori Birmingham	Excused
Carole Ann Morrison	Present
Stash Jakubowski	Excused
Larry Gillooley	Present

3. **Minutes:** December minutes were passed 7-0. Will be posted on the website.
4. **Athletic Director's Report:** Larry Gillooley
 - Winter sports teams are doing well and are competitive.
 - There are a couple of new varsity coaches this season, doing a nice job.
 - Larry thanked volunteers for running concessions at so many winter events.
 - Blatnick Gym is almost completed; waiting for some hardware. The usage of the gym will change slightly, to maintain the quality of the work.
 - It is still a challenge in getting middle school students to high school locations on time for games and practices.
 - Some issues with the departure of athletes and fans all from the same singular exit doors in the primary gym. This came to a head at the recent Shaker boy's game. Good security was pivotal in this situation.
 - The Board of Education has taken to recognizing our students for their athletic and academic achievements. Most recently, this included State

champion swimmer Fayth Goodspeed, and the sectional-winning girls' soccer and boys' football teams.

- Niskayuna is once again a School of Academic Excellence among the sports program. This is when 75% of teams have an academic average of 90 or above. Should our teams have all the teams with that average, we would be a School of Distinction—a possibility for us this year.
- Scholar-Athlete individual awards may be picked up in the AD's office.
- The athletic budget has been submitted for next year,
 - including a proposal for the addition of girls' hockey and Mod-9 flag football.
 - There is a need to get a new golf cart, since the district sports department one is 15 years old. This could be tied into use as a security vehicle as well, during the school day.
 - Request for whirlpool, heating system for pads

5. Officers' Reports: No lengthy reports.

- i. Co-President's Report Corey Ausfeld—No report
- i Co-President's Report Andy Katz
 - a. Following up on potential sponsorships.
- ii. Vice President's Report Lori Birmingham—No report
- iii. Treasurer's Report Frank Ferrucci
 - a. Financials have been updated and are posted on the NABC page.
 - b. High monetary activity, especially with basketball.
 - c. M & T Bank has been working well as far as making payments.
- iv. Secretary's Report Terri Dutcher
 - a. No report, aside from minutes.

6. Committee Reports

- i. Banquet Committee Sarah Ciesinski
 - a. Information requests from softball coach and basketball teams regarding banquet process.
- ii. Concession Committee Madisyn DaParano—No report
- iii. Membership Committee Vacant
- iv. Fundraising Committee Vacant
- v. Budget Committee Frank Ferucci—Next month
- vi. Social Media Committee Carole Ann Morrison
 - a. Quiet December, but 50 new followers of Social Media
 - b. Tracking engagement & demographics
 - c. Instagram campaign on the horizon

7. School Board Member's Report Kim Tully

- a. Discussed Blatnick gym progress.
- b. First budget presentation presented for the 2026-2027 school year.
- c. Next school year will be more about maintaining what the district has now, as opposed to adding. Health insurance costs are sky-rocketing.

- d. There will be a Referendum in 2027, with projects mainly for the HS and transportation department.
- e. VA construction is in the final stages

8. Team Director Reports

	No Reports
i. Alpine Ski Boys	Vacant
ii. Alpine Ski Girls	Vacant
iii. Baseball	Vacant
iv. Basketball Boys	Vacant
v. Basketball Girls	Vacant
vi. Bowling Boys	Vacant
vii. Bowling Girls	Vacant
viii. Cheerleading	Vacant
ix. Crew Boys	Vacant
x. Crew Girls	Vacant
xi. Cross Country Boys	Vacant
xii. Cross Country Girls	Vacant
xiii. Field Hockey	Vacant
xiv. Football	Vacant
xv. Golf Boys	Erin Massaroni
xvi. Golf Girls	Michael Barberick
xvii. Ice Hockey	Vacant
xviii. Indoor Track Boys	Vacant
xix. Indoor Track Girls	Vacant
xx. Lacrosse Boys	Christina Calabrese
xxi. Lacrosse Girls	Sarah Ciesinski
xxii. Outdoor Track Boys	Vacant
xxiii. Outdoor Track Girls	Vacant
xxiv. Rowing	Judith Fenlon & Beth Vaccaro
xxv. Soccer Boys	Vacant
xxvi. Soccer Girls	Jean Foti
xxvii. Softball	Vacant
xxviii. Swimming/Diving Girls	Karen Splendido
xxix. Swimming/Diving Boys	Vacant
xxx. Tennis Boys	Vacant
xxxi. Tennis Girls	Vacant
xxxii. Volleyball Boys	Matt Petrangelo
xxxiii. Volleyball Girls	Amanda Jeffs
xxxiv. Wrestling Boys	Vacant
xxxv. Wrestling Girls	Jocelyn Rockower

9. Unfinished (old) Business

None

10. Privilege of the Members

None

(Any member may raise issues, concerns, or ask questions for a maximum of 3 minutes per member and for a cumulative maximum of 30 minutes for all members. The President or other Directors should attempt to address any issues but this time isn't to debate with members)

11. New Business

- i. Approvals since December Board Meeting
 - a. \$1500 toward indoor track & field toward Yale Invitational costs
 - b. Appropriation for funds for safety vests for T & F athletes to use.

ii. Topics from the floor None

12. **Executive Session** None

13. Announcements from the President

We will start discussing the Gala Banquet at the February meeting, and by email/text in the meantime.

14. **Adjournment** at 8:05

Motion to adjourn by Terri, 2nd by Sarah, unanimous

Next meeting, February 25, 2026

Respectfully submitted,
Terri Dutcher

January 16, 2026