

**NYS TEMPORARY COMMISSION TO PREVENT CHILDHOOD DROWNING**  
**FRIDAY, June 28, 2024**  
**9:30-11:30 AM**

**Agenda:**

- Reminder to start the recording of the meeting
- Call to Order
- Introductions:
- Reminder: Commissioners need to be on camera. The volume needs to be unmuted. Your complete name needs to be displayed.
- Guidelines: Public Participation:
- Approval of Minutes from previous meeting

**Guest Speaker:** Kristin Mabrouk - Executive Director, Hope Floats

**Discussion: Where are we on each Goal?**

- Goal A-1 & A-2: Age & Standards - Marrick
- Goal B: Feasibility & Effectiveness - Brian, Heidi, Kate
- Goal C: Partnerships - Gwen, Kate
- Goal D: Underserved/Under Resourced - Mike, Kevin, Casper
- Goal E: Awareness - Kathryn, Heidi, Kate

**Discussion:** Agenda for in person meeting: 8/9/2024

**Define Terms:** Glossary of Terms to create a common state-wide vocabulary

**11:20 For the Good of the Group**

**Game Plan for next meeting:** 8/9/2024

**11:30 Adjourned**

**Upcoming Events:**

- 7/25/2024: World Drowning Prevention Day
- 7/29/2024: Executive Council, NYS AHPERD: Marrick
- 8/9/2024: In Person Commission Meeting in Albany - tentative
- 11/5/2024: Southeastern Zone Conference, AHPERD, White Plains HS: Kate, Marrick
- 11/20-11/24/24: NYS AHPERD Conference @Turning Stone, Verona, NY
- 2/1-2/8/2025: 2025 NDPA/AOAP Conference, St. Pete's Beach, FL
- 2025 VT Virtual Water Safety Symposium: 3/24/2025

**<https://www.ny.gov/programs/temporary-commission-prevent-childhood-drowning>**

## **GUEST SPEAKER BIOGRAPHY**

### **Kristin Mabrouk - Executive Director, Hope Floats**

Kristin is a lifelong swimmer who grew up on the pool deck, became a lifeguard and swim instructor as soon as she was old enough, and went on to swim at the collegiate level (even meeting her husband at the pool!). Kristin's career background is in nonprofit community work, focusing on equity, access, prevention, and wellness. She is thrilled to be immersing herself in the swimming world with Hope Floats and is always excited to dive in to working with swim schools to help give more families across the country the gift of swimming. Kristin lives in Connecticut with her husband, two daughters, and their three-legged dog, Abe.

**NEW YORK STATE  
TEMPORARY COMMISSION TO PREVENT CHILDHOOD DROWNING**

**Goals of Commission:**

The commission shall:

(a) Determine an appropriate age and/or stage of childhood development when children can properly begin water safety and swimming instructions and develop statewide standards for such instruction.

(b) Investigate and evaluate the feasibility and effectiveness of programs which incentivize parents and guardians to enroll children in water safety and swimming instruction.

(c) Develop a comprehensive plan for public-private partnerships between the state and community centers, nonprofit organizations, recreational facilities, swimming instructors, and other relevant stakeholders and expanding existing state resources such as parks and pools to provide access to free swimming instruction and determine the feasibility of such programs.

(d) Develop an implementation plan to ensure its swimming safety programs are available in underserved communities; and

(e) Develop a comprehensive plan for a public awareness campaign to ensure parents and guardians receive information on the importance of children receiving basic water safety and swimming instruction.

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**2024**

June 28

~~July 12~~ - cancelled

~~July 26~~ - cancelled

August 9 - In person in Albany

~~August 23~~ - cancelled

September 6

September 20

October 4

October 18

November 1

November 15

~~November 29~~ (The day after Thanksgiving)

December 6

December 20 - DUE DATE OF REPORT

Dates approved by Commission: 8/11/2023, revised 1/12/2024; revised 5/31/2024