DCYHA Board Meeting Minutes

December 18, 6:30 p.m. at SDRC

**Present**: Katie Shaffer, Stephanie Sill, Ty Berrett, Anna Erickson, Scott Hinerman, Karyn Baxter, Rick Leighter, John Jensen, Rich Lucy

**Absent**: Mike Hassler, Tyler Poulsen

**Guests**: Paul Amadon, Doug Morrill, David Barton, Crystal Barton, Jared Youngman, Jolin Johnson

* Katie Shaffer as acting president conduced this board meeting and special election.
* Minutes from October’s 2014 board meeting approved. All present accepted.

**Registration Guidelines:**

* We have kids registering for hockey late and wondering about reduced fees.
* We don’t want to turn kids away that are looking into playing hockey.
* The board discussed the registration guidelines (below) drafted by Ty Berrett.
* Board members discussed players registering late that have not played hockey before… should they still participate in games or only practices? Decided that this will be left to the coaches to decide…they are the only ones who will know if the player is ready to play in a game.
* Motion made by Ty Berrett to adopt the registration guidelines, seconded by Karyn Baxter and all present agreed.

**New Guidelines:**

Registration ends on September 30 of each calendar year.

Late registration is from Oct 1 – October 15 and must be done through Registrar.

Registrar notifies Coaches and Team Managers.

October 16-November 30 request is send to Coaches and Team Managers.

If teams have less than the limit set by Utah Rec Hockey, then the player pays full rate and starts on the team.

If the teams are at capacity as determined by Utah Rec Hockey, then the Coaches and Board discuss options that may include making an additional

team and/or just being a practice player.

Late registration fees:

Through November 30, pays full rate…December get a 10% reduced fee…January gets a 40% reduced fee…February 1 on, pays 30%

* Based on these new guidelines adopted, a few players will be notified.
* It was agreed that Luscha Nelson, who is a new squirt practice player, will only pay 50% of registration fees.
	+ Karyn Baxter will get his registration refund amount figured out.
	+ Stephanie Sill will relay this info to Coach Anderson so he can tell the Nelson family.
* All rosters are to be turned in by December 20th. Karyn Baxter will see this is done.

**Ice at The Maverick Center:**

* Jared Youngman will look into this and try to find ice. He mentioned it’s very difficult to find an hour of ice.
* Jared Youngman will contact Stephanie Sill when he has some available ice and Stephanie Sill will let John Anderson, the scheduler, know.

**Playing Up/Practicing Up:**

* Players at DCYHA are wanting extra ice time and one has petitioned to practice up. It was discussed that there are no formal rules in place and it may be hard to manage and define who practices up without written expectations and guidelines.
* It was proposed by John Jensen that we say no to anyone wanting to practice up/play up for this season, seconded by Ty Berrett. Scott Hinerman, Katie Shaffer, Ty Berrett, John Jensen agreed (Rich Lucy was not in attendance at this time). Stephanie Sill, Rick Leighter and Anna Erickson abstained from voting. Motion passed based on Robert’s Rules of Order.
* Katie Shaffer made a motion to have the ‘Players wanting extra ice time” setion discussed with clear, written guidelines decided on at a spring board meeting, Karyn Baxter seconded and all present agreed.
* An idea was mentioned by Scott Hinerman that maybe coaches become more involved in choosing 3-4 players each week to practice up. This would have to be arranged through coaches and something to look at in the spring meeting.
* Anna Erickson suggested that we have a sub-committee talk about this subject in the spring.

**SafeSport Guidelines:**

* Need to convey to parents and players that there are no girls allowed in boys locker rooms past squirt age.
* Karyn Baxter will stress the importance of this to coaches and team managers and ask team managers to send out a reminder email to all parents about the importance of this rule.

**December 27th Mite Jamboree:**

* Becky Jacobsen, the Mite team manager, sent an email to Coach Sill asking for the DCYHA board to cover the food for the Mite Jamboree at the Maverick Center for December 27, 2014.
* Motion made by John Jensen to cover up to $200.00 in food costs, Ty Berrett seconded with all present agreeing.
* Karyn Baxter will contact Garrett Sill and let him know the decision. Coach Sill will then contact Becky Jacobsen.

**Cage:**

* Too many people know the cage combo and are leaving it open for things to be stolen or go missing.
* Motion made by Karyn Baxter to get a new code, John Jensen seconded and all agreed.
* Ty Berrett will get a new lock and code. He will get in touch with Ron and the SDRC staff and also the local fire department and let them know the new combo.
* Katie Shaffer will make extra keys for the DCYHA office upstairs for John Jensen and Karyn Baxter.
* Karyn Baxter will email coaches and team managers the new combo and the new guideline: If you open it, you lock it immediately!

**Board members who have keys to the upstairs office: Rich, Katie, Mike, Karyn, John J**

**Banners:**

* John Jensen will gather banners and get with Ron and figure a plan to get them up. Katie Shaffer and Karyn Baxter will also work with John on this.

**DCYHA Mail and Lock Box:**

* Katie will check the mail on a reasonable basis.
* New lock box has been installed by the maroon wall lockers.
* This is a great place for game score sheets/comments/suggestions/checks, etc.

**Iron Cup:**

* JoLin Johnson joined us for the Iron Cup discussion and mentioned teams coming are looking good. Each age group is not full yet, but getting there.
* She was notified that Park City will be having their tournament the same week as our Iron Cup. JoLin will take this up with the state because they cannot be the same weekend.
* The Iron Cup is a B Tournament for Mites/Squirts and an A Tournament for PeeWee/Bantam.
* Same problem has arisen as last year: The Squirt Lightning A team has registered for our B Tournament. But, according to the state, any team can declare whatever level they want to be, even if they aren’t really an A or B. Last year the same thing happened, but the other organizations didn’t complain, so there didn’t seem to be an issue.
* JoLin will let all teams registered know who’s coming in their division, so other organizations are aware that an A team has registered for our B tournament and they can decide whether they want to come or not.
* Going forward, the rule that kids can only play in on division in the Iron Cup stands.
* This year, mites will be playing the same weekend as the other divisions.

**New DCYHA President:**

* With TJ Telford’s resignation as DCYHA President, Katie Shaffer, the Vice-President, resumed the role of acting president and called to motion a Special Election, all present were in favor. Katie Shaffer presided over this Special Election held on December 18th, 2014 at SDRC.
* John Jensen nominated Katie Shaffer to be the DCYHA President, Karyn Baxter seconded, all present agreed.
* Katie Shaffer accepted the position of DCYHA President.
* Katie Shaffer appointed John Jensen to be Vice-President, seconded by Ty Berrett, all present agreed.
* John Jensen accepted the position of DCYHA Vice-President.
* Katie Shaffer took a minute to share her thoughts: She said she will delegate and let the board members know of everything that she is privy to. She mentioned all responsibilities will be shared. “One key we are missing is that we need organization to our organization. We may not be doing our best if we are looking only to get out of our position on the board. Let’s all agree to finish out our time on the board in the best way possible and be productive and supportive of each other and our organization.” All board members agreed to this and to do better.

**URL Representative:**

* Responsibility of the URL rep is to attend the URL meetings and report back to the DCYHA board. Meetings are held sporadically throughout the year. Anyone can attend.
* Rich Lucy accepted this responsibility, with Rick Leighter being back-up.
* Ty Berrett will talk with John Anderson about Rich Lucy taking over that responsibility.

**Game Schedule:**

* Parents want to see a schedule for the whole season, even if it is only tentative. It was noted that this is hard to do because other organizations cancel games and change their schedules.
* Jared Youngman remarked that other organizations have their season’s schedule already out.
* Stephanie Sill mentioned that it works for some organizations that set up games only between themselves, but at DCYHA, we look to many organizations to fill our game schedule, and it’s a more difficult task.
* All agreed that John Anderson works long hours to schedule as many games as possible and doesn’t want to put a schedule online that will constantly be changed. Too often, parents don’t look at the schedule a few days before a game and might end up missing a game because a game has been changed and the parent’s haven’t looked online.
* It was agreed that team managers should email their teams as changes are noted on the website. Karyn Baxter will remind all team managers to do this.
* John Anderson has already sent out January’s schedule and February’s is coming soon. He is doing the best he can. If someone would take over the scheduling position, he would gladly give it up.

**Game Gear Open House:**

* Jared Youngman came to promote a new company called Game Gear, a clothing line that makes hockey apparel and jerseys.
* He mentioned that January 10th will be an open house at the Maverick Center for all organizations to come and see this new clothing line and watch a free hockey game.
* Free tickets for all to the game on January 10th.
* Karyn Baxter will attend and look into DCYHA possibly using Game Gear for our jersey order next year.
* Noted it would be good to have a local company making our jerseys, but we need to see how different they are from our current jerseys. Don’t want our parents to have to buy all new jerseys. Something to look into.

**Grizzlies Ticket Package:**

* Not all DCYHA families opted for the Grizzlies package when it was offered and for it to be successful the whole organization has to do it. Because not all elected to buy tickets, the program was stopped.
* Look to next year to reinstate a Grizzlies package at registration if we hear that parents are interested.

**Roster Change for Porter Barton:**

* David and Crystal Barton petitioned the board to have Porter, their Squirt age son moved from the Squirt white team to the Squirt red team. He is currently on the Squirt white team, but rarely makes it to the games because his older brother is on the Bantam Red team and their games often conflict (most siblings are kept on the same color team).
* Katie Shaffer agreed this can be fixed. Coach Sill of the Squirt Red team and Coach Allen of the Squirt white team were contacted during the board meeting to make sure they were okay with Porter moving from the Squirt white team to the Squirt red team. Both coaches were in agreement and the switch will be made.
* Porter Barton will be moved to the Squirt red house team, effective immediately.
* Karyn Baxter will make the change to the Squirt rosters.

**Complaint:**

* Doug Morrill made it known that he wasn’t happy that the Mites didn’t get their ice zammed before their game last Saturday and had to play on ‘dirty ice’.
* It was noted that this isn’t something that happens too often and it wasn’t intentional.
* It was determined that the first game (PeeWees) ran over on time, the second game (Squirts) had a few problems with the clock running at all (equipment failure)and so that left no time for the zam to clean the ice.
* Karyn Baxter will also address this issue with the team managers. She will remind them to help the games stay on track. Anyone running the clock or keeping score should be aware of the time limits for each game.

On motion of Ty Berrett, this board meeting adjourned at 9:49 p.m.

N**ext meeting to be held Thursday, January 29, 2015 at 7:30 p.m.**