# **GSYHA**

# **Board Meeting Minutes • June 5, 2017**

Yampah Mountain High School

The meeting was called to order at 5:47 p.m.

Board members present were Bryan Gonzales, Peter Guy, Leigh Kauffmann, Tiffany Ottosen, Amy Roberts, Ken Rosenberg, Ham Tharp, Phil Weir and Director, Tim Kwiatkowski.

Not present: Jay Mencimer and Joy Porter.

### 1. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the meeting held on May 1, 2017 were approved unanimously, including changes submitted by Ham on Midget team verbiage.

#### 2. Guests/Members wishing to address the BOD

Julie Wilson addressed the board in anticipation of joining the board.

### 3. Director's Report – May 2017

CDYHL Spring Meeting (full meeting minutes attached separately)

- CDYHL / CCYHL Merger Feasibility
  - At this time, this idea is on hold for basically two reasons; CDYHL clubs have mixed reviews and CCYHL is not in a place where they can commit and have their own issues to deal with before pursuing.
- CAHA Cup Review
  - o Multiple concerns still exist from all associations.
  - o The CDYHL Executive Board was very happy with our letter to CAHA
  - o Multiple ideas were suggested to improve end-of-season play
- Squirt Issues/Proper Player Placement
  - Concerns regarding the current 'focus on winning', proper player placement, game counts, league rules, etc.
- 17/18 Season
  - o Decrease game counts at SQ C level
  - Attempt to schedule more jamboree style weekends to lessen travel by teams/associations (an endless battle by all for many years).
- 17/18 CDYHL Elections
  - o Tim Ware will be stepping down as President; the remainder of the Board will remain the same.
  - The CDYHL Board, with an election to take place at the August league meeting, will be accepting nominations until this time.
- New Business
  - Tie Breaker rule has been changed for playoff seeding(s).
  - o Midget Concerns 17/18
    - Concerns with CHSAA taking away from the Midget program(s)
       "Craig/Steamboat and Telluride are interested in Midget Program,
       Glenwood springs exploring all options, GJ most likely not enough players for own team this year, Durango playing New Mexico League,

Aspen, Vail, West Elk, Steamboat, Summit will have CHSAA varsity teams."

- Militia Program
  - Success this past season, Summit hoping to expand the program for the coming season.
- o Treasurer Report
  - Approximately \$20K in reserves, playoff costs slightly increased this past season, no charge to associations

### Fundraising 17/18

- GSYHA Member Fundraising Policy has been updated with all additions/edits from May meeting, and has been uploaded and accessible online.
- Garfield County BOCC Discretionary Fund Grant approved in the amount of \$1000 for GSYHA scholarship fund.
- City Market fiscal year confirmation, Joy to report.

# SafeSport Violation (date unknown)

- It was brought to the Directors attention at the 5.2017 board meeting there was a possible SafeSport violation regarding 'locker boxing', a board member shared the video of the incident with the Director and the BoD that evening.
- The Director has shared this information with GSYHA SafeSport Coordinator, Cassie Coleman...our action plan for this incident is;
  - 1. Respond to complainant that this is a SafeSport issue.
  - 2. Given the timing (i.e., off season) we will treat this as a verbal warning to the coaches of that team about the cell phone violation, and this will be addressed prior to next season through a verbal warning;
  - 3. Next year's coordinator needs to address this specific incident with the coaches and alert them all that further violations will be subject to written warnings or possible removal of players/coaches/etc.

#### Strawberry Days 2017

- Grizzly Pepsi Booth
  - o We have been approved to have a non-profit drink booth at Strawberry Days '17
  - o In lieu of the \$200 fee, we will host a 'free family friendly activity' (per Strawberry Days guidelines).
  - The 'free family event' will be a 'putting contest' to promote our Grizzly Golf Ball Drop along with the tournament.
  - Pepsi Booth has been confirmed and reserved
  - o Approximately 40% of our booth shifts covered, email blasts will continue to go out in the coming days in an attempt to fill 100%.

### Grizzly Parade Entry

- Issues with the Zamboni (electrical) may have an effect whether we can use it in the parade this year. Communications with GSCC Head-Of-Maintenance Matt Kraemer have been positive, and he believes they will have the issue fixed in time for our use.
- o Participation & sign-ups look good; we anticipate a strong turn out again this season.

 We will have music this year, including classic hits like "I Want To Ride The Zamboni", "The Good Ole Hockey Game", "Hockey Night In Canada" and more

### • Golf Tournament

- Vectra Bank has committed as the title sponsor (\$500), they will receive top promotion for the event along with have a 'refreshment booth' at the event including water & standard 'bank swag' (lip balm, sunscreen, etc.).
- o GWS Ford & Mr. Vac have been secured as our Hole-In-One Sponsors (2017 Ford Mustang & \$10K Cash, respectively).
- o Promotional fliers are now complete; we will start distribution and promotion early June, at Strawberry Days & until the event (or we are full).
- o Grizzly Golf Ball Drop webpage is live; GGBD Chair Amy Roberts will handle promotion and webpage maintenance with Golf Ball Droppers (same company as last season).

# 4. Treasurer's Report

Jay was not present to give his report, but has emailed it to everyone today.

#### 5. Old Business

None. Covered in Director's Report.

#### 6. New Business

#### • Ecana Grant Distribution

It was discussed where the money from the grant should be distributed. Some suggested that it should go to the midgets and others disagreed. There was a continuing discussion on what fundraising can be used for, and it was determined that scholarships and travel expenses are not allowed. It was also discussed about splitting up the funds, and also to put it into capital expenditures. We will need to make a decision on this matter soon, as we need to let Mr. Cota know what our intentions are. Amy made a motion to put half the funds towards approved midget expenses and the other half toward the general fund. The vote was 5-3 in favor.

### • Scholarship Policy

Who will be appointed to the Scholarship Committee for 2017-18? We need to decide this tonight, so Leigh, Peter and Tiffany have volunteered to be on the committee. They will work out the policy for the next couple of months and be the deciders in the fall for who will receive scholarships. Leigh will chair this committee and they will address the board by the September meeting.

### • Survey Results

We had 14 respondents to the survey with 40% being Squirt C parents. We had almost 100% satisfaction, but had one disgruntled parent from an older age group. Virtually everyone who responded wanted to better our inadequate facility and agreed that everyone would benefit by maintaining year-round ice.

#### • New BOD Member

Julie Wilson has decided to join the board and everyone agreed unanimously to have her with us.

# 7. Next Meeting

The BOD meeting for July will be skipped, so the next meeting will be held on Monday, August 7, 2017 at Yampah Mountain High School at 5:30 p.m.

# 8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.