

PRINCETON YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

“Team First – Integrity – Grit – Engaged – Respectful”

Monthly Board Meeting Agenda / Minutes

May 22nd, 2023 @ 6:30 pm

1. CALL TO ORDER: - 6:33 pm

2. ATTENDANCE

Eric Englund, Ben Heath, Brianna Gadacz, Brittany Stearns, Becky Krueger, Krista Benjamin, Jeremy Uhrich, Missy McAlpine, Amber Wilkinson, Brent Benjamin, Joe Hostrawser, Chad Ruzek.

3. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF GAMBLING REPORTS (*Amber Wilkinson, Gambling Manager*)

Shorter month, more payouts, meat raffle done at the golf course as of now. As soon as bingo goes out, they will also be done with that. Summer slows down a bit because people tend to spend time up north and not at local bars. Ben Heath motions to transfer \$15,000 for bills, Becky Krueger seconds. All in favor, motion passes. Ben Heath motions to approve LG1004, Becky Krueger seconds. All in favor, motion passes.

4. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES (*Ben Heath, Secretary*)

Eric Englund motions to approve April's meeting minutes, Brianna Gadacz seconds. All in favor, motion passes.

5. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF TREASURER REPORT (*Joe Hostrawser, Treasurer*)

Brianna Gadacz motions to approve April's financials, Becky Krueger seconds. All in favor, motion passes.

6. PRESIDENT'S REPORT (*Jeremy Uhrich*)

Jeremy Uhrich will sign an updated building lease for the dryland facility located across the parking lot. New asphalt for the parking lot is scheduled to begin the first week of June. Need warm consistent warm weather for that next step. Moved up a few mites to squirts to even out numbers for the summer clinic.

7. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT (*Eric Englund*)

Nothing new to report.

8. ARENA/ADVERTISING MANAGER REPORT (*Missy McAlpine*)

Had positive survey results from the craft fair. Will need far more than 3 people to help run next year. Senior night party set up will be from May 27th-June 2nd. We had a fire sprinkler leak. It was temporarily patched, and the contractor will be back on June 2nd to complete repairs.

9. DISTRICT 10 REPORT (*Becky Krueger*)

D10 wants coaches to hold kids more accountable to decrease the number of penalty minutes from last season. There is a shortage of referees and they are looking to recruit more people. Oct.2nd will be the Initial team declaration for teams in D10.

10. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

- **Away Tournament Coordinator**, *Joe Hostrawser* – Nothing new to report.
- **Communications Coordinator**, *Krista Benjamin / Becky Krueger* – Going to move forward with Constant Contact for periodic association newsletters (Tiger Feed).
- **Equipment Manager**, *Eric Englund / Chad Ruzek* – Nothing new to report.
- **Fundraising Coordinator**, *Krista Benjamin* – Amazon Smile is discontinued. Looking for volunteers to help form a fundraising committee.
- **Game Sheet Coordinator**, *Brittany Stearns* – Nothing new to report.
- **Girls Program Coordinator**, *Becky Krueger* – Denny Struffert is BBL's new girls coordinator. Working on getting an all-girls skate in August again.
- **Hockey Director**, *Ben Heath* –
 - I. **Attended a leadership conference put on by MN Hockey in St. Louis Park from May 5-6** where they talked about things like 1) The state of officiating in MN 2) SafeSport policies and best practices 3)

Discipline grievances, and due process, and 4) How community-based programs are the most successful models for hockey development, etc.

- II. **HDC Meeting Report** – (See HDC Meeting Minutes attached below)
 - III. **New Skills Progression Checklist** – Created an association-wide [Skills Progression Checklist Mites/8U – Bantams/14U](#) to help PYHA coaches ensure their players are learning/mastering the skills they need at each perspective level without missing anything. This document is now available on our Coaches Corner webpage.
 - IV. **Coaches Corner Updates** – Started rebuilding the “[Coaches Corner](#)” webpage. Updated coaching requirement links for the 2023-2024 season, and added a number of tabs containing additional coaching resources like sample practice plans, videos, small area game ideas, and more. The goal for completing these updates is September 1st before the next season begins. Ben is working with the Hockey Development Committee (HDC) to accomplish this.
- **Mite/8U Coordinator (On-Ice), Ben Heath** – Spreading the word about the Fall Breakaway League to our Tiny Tigers and Mites. Trying to get enough players to put together an all-Princeton team at each level (mini mite, mighty mites, and super mites) so that home games can be hosted at Princeton Ice Arena. Great opportunity to get our young players warmed up before the regular season begins.
 - **Mite Jamboree Coordinator, Danielle Murphy** – Danielle Murphy is the new coordinator.
 - **Mite/8U/Tiny Tiger Coordinator (Off-Ice), Brianna Gadacz** – Nothing new to report.
 - **Outdoor Ice Manager, Jon Stenslie** – Propane tank at 70% good for next year. Building secure for summer.
 - **Recruitment Coordinator, Becky Krueger** – Last learn-to-skate had about 5-6 kids. Working on ideas for additional promotion of this program.
 - **Referee Coordinator, Brianna Gadacz / Joe Hostrawser** – Nothing new to report.
 - **Registration/Team Manager Coordinator, Brittney Stearns** – Bulit an outline of manager expectations.
 - **Scheduling Coordinator (Practice), Jeremy Uhrich** – Started scheduling with Missy. The goal is to get scheduling all wrapped up by the end of July or the middle of August.
 - **Scheduling Coordinator (Games), Missy McAlpine** – High School games are all scheduled for the upcoming 2023-2024 season.
 - **Tiny Tiger Coordinator (On-Ice), Brianna Gadacz** – Nothing new to report.
 - **Volunteer Coordinator, Krista Benjamin** – Walked through with Becky Krueger on how to use Dibs. Watched videos on Game Sheet etc.
 - **Website Coordinator, Becky Krueger / Krista Benjamin** –

WEBSITE CLEANUP

I. Registration

- a. Squirts/10U and above will purchase their own jerseys for \$100 per set this year.
- b. Registration for the 2023 season will open on August 1st and close on August 31st. A late fee will of \$50 will be assessed to anyone registering after August 31st.

II. Dibs

- a. Eric Englund motions to increase the buyout amount to \$1,000, Becky Krueger seconds. All in favor, motion passes. Any family who does not complete a minimum of 12 volunteer hours will be sent a bill for \$1,000 that must be paid before the player is eligible to register the following year.
- b. Ben Heath motions to increase the no-show fee to \$50 per event, Chad Ruzek seconds. All in favor, motion passes.
- c. Preskate locker room supervisors (MALE for boys and FEMALE for girls) will be added to DIBS for the 2023-2024 season.

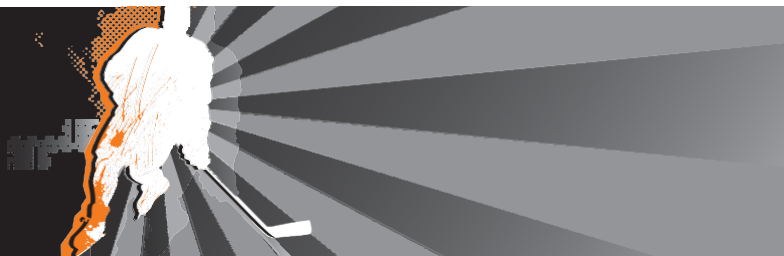
III. Additional

- a. Becky Krueger will create a Google form to be available on the website for member feedback/complaints/compliments. The form will be sent to VP Eric Englund, he will reply and report to the board with updates.

11. NEW ITEMS

- **General Questions (Brent Benjamin) –**
 1. **What plans or vision does the association have moving forward?** Answer: The board is working on selecting 3 long-term and 3 short-term goals for the association before the upcoming season begins.
 2. **What does the board plan to do with the survey results?** Answer: Board members have reviewed the survey results, discussed them, and are actively looking for ways to make improvements where improvements are needed.
 3. **Can we add a Q and A page to the PYHA website?** Answer: Great idea. The board will look into the possibility of creating a page like this to help answer questions members may have, especially newer families just joining the program.
- **Association Goals (All) –** PYHA officers will review the goals previously submitted by board members and select 3 long-term and 3 short-term goals to be adopted this year.
- **Bylaws (Jeremy Uhrich) –** A notification to members will be posted on the website informing them of upcoming bylaw updates/changes. Once PYHA officers have come up with a draft of suggested changes, the entire board will review it, and a vote is expected to occur during our August meeting.
- **Bantam/Peewee Jamboree (Jeremy Uhrich) –** Pulling this off with a 2 week earlier roster sign-off this year will be more challenging. D10's final declaration is before the October 27-29 Jamboree date. Missy said she can do the scheduling. We will need to have someone help get registration filled with teams, that is probably the most challenging task. Will revisit the plan at June's meeting.
- **50th Anniversary plan, budget, brainstorming (Krista Benjamin) –** Use the fundraising committee to make it a fundraising event? Include alumni, and highlight their stories. Hoping to do something in September to kick this off. Will keep us posted.
- **Rum River Parade. (Becky Krueger) -** We need to locate a trailer by Wednesday or pull out of the parade. Several potential leads were discussed and will be followed up on.

12. **ADJOURN:** - Brianna Gadacz motions to adjourn at 9:39 pm.



Hockey Development Committee

HDC

4-26-2023, 6:30pm

Agenda

Andy, Gage, Todd, Jeremy & Ben Heath

1. Transitions
 - a. Ben Heath will be taking over as the board representative as Jeremy transitions into the President role.
2. Follow up on committee expectations for 2022-23 season
 - a. Website update – still working on updates
 - b. Coaches Meeting Update
 - i. Handful of coaches were discussing playing levels. Claim was that program is not developing our players. Talk of playing B vs. A based on wins & losses.
 - ii. Committee discussed the downfalls of playing B1 hockey over A and what that will do for development. Best for development of our program is playing A.
 - iii. Potential parent PowerPoint for each introduction meeting at the beginning of the year.
3. Updating plays/drills/guidelines for next year – Development
 - a. Coaching introductions – set the schedule well in advance and work to make it available to all – number of meetings and content is important.
4. Videos for coaches to use – based on age and skill
 - a. Potential to have drills accessed by phone and or by iPad.
 - b. Use high school players to execute the drills as you walk through it.
 - c. Skill and drill based – identify priorities to start and build in future.
 - d. Build a draft list of videos and skills we want to try to get filmed
5. Expectations for scheduling/off-ice/team building – A ton of discussion here
 - a. How many games per level
 - b. Scrimmage coordinator – Game play
 - c. Recruitment of coaches
6. Tryout Process
 - a. Software Update (Jeremy)
 - b. Drills and structure

c. Evaluators

7. Upcoming meetings – **May, 15th 2023 - 8:15pm (moved due to conflicts)**

8. Misc. Discussion

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