

# UVHA Board Meeting Minutes



October 10, 2018 ~ 6:30 PM

Kinney Pike Insurance, White River Junction, Vermont

1. **Attendance:** Sarah Morlock, Jason Spaulding, Justin Barwood, Roger Gillies, Bill Mann, Josh Obar, Jay Zanleoni
2. **Meeting called to order:** 6:27 PM
  - a. The September 15<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes were unanimously approved (motioned by Roger, seconded by Justin).
3. **Monthly Reports:**
  - a. **Coaching Coordinator**-Alex reported that all approved coaches have met initial requirements to be on the ice for tryouts and the first practices. Barret Williams informed Alex of his intent to again coach. Roger made a motion to approve Barret Williams as an additional 2018-2019 season coach. His motion was seconded by Alex. All voted in favor. Alex is looking for a goalie coach to take the lead on goalie clinics as Jim Mooney won't always be available. Jay will reach out to a gentleman that he knows from men's league and ask if he'd consider the role. John organized and distributed the link for ordering coaches' gear. Following tryouts, the Board will need to quickly approve head coaches, bench and practice coaches so that teams are prepared for their first official practices and games.
  - b. **Equipment Manager**-Sarah shared that John has first aid kits and ice packs for all head coaches. He has asked Scott Cooney for assistance in acquiring an adequate blood-spill first-response kit to be kept at the rink in case of emergency. The game jersey reorder has arrived and Mite jerseys are in as well. John will soon reach out to tryout committees to get lists of players at each assessment level and the committees' desired break-out of black and white jersey assignment. He'll arrange to have a list of players and their assigned numbers ready for committee chairs and be prepared to distribute jerseys. Bill reiterated the importance of anonymity in the tryout process. Coaches should take care to only share spreadsheets without player names with the independent evaluators.
  - c. **SafeSport Coordinator**-Jay asked for clarification of duties as SafeSport Coordinator. The Board's understanding is that he will need to keep a binder of

coaches' and volunteers' SafeSport certificates, as well as a list detailing those who have or have not met USA Hockey requirements. Jason will reach out to Mindy to ask if she could be of help in transitioning Jay into this role.

- d. **Treasurer**-Brock was unable to attend. No report.
  - e. **Fundraising**-Sarah will draft a proposal for this year's NHAHA ADM grant, due November 1st. She's secured 100 trees and 50 wreaths from Bill Nichols of Nichols' Tree Farm. There was some discussion as to the continued rise in Nichols' wholesale costs. But the Board ultimately decided to purchase trees through NTF again this season. A \$1,000 down payment is due with written request. She reordered Storm car magnets and decals. Sarah will reach out to Dillon in regards to the Storm's appliances housed in the concession area. The Board agreed to gift them to the Town.
  - f. **Registrar**-Kylie wasn't able to attend, but Jason shared that there are currently a total of 138 players registered for the season: 28 Bantams, 18 L2P, 5 L2S, 35 Peewees, 33 Squirts, and 20 Travel Mites. Only four families have yet to pay and have been notified of the need for payment in full prior to their players' participation.
  - g. **Scheduler**-Bill wanted the Board and coaches to be aware that Bantam 1 will have their first game in Keene on October 27<sup>th</sup>. This is notable as is sooner than other travel teams' first games. He shared a count of games per team. Bill has been successful in completely filling out many teams' schedules. He's working on adding final games to the schedules of the other teams. Bill reminded the group that there's a great deal of ice not yet booked in February, as is typically the case. The Board will need to consider uses for that ice.
4. **New Business:**
- a. **Tryout Committee Letters**-Bantam and peewee Tryout Committees have been in contact with parents. Jay said that Brock plans to send an email to squirt families soon. Cognizant of the lack of explicit communication regarding tryouts in the past, the Board will reiterate and set expectations once more to avoid any unfortunate misunderstandings.
  - b. **Mite Planning**-Josh shared he'll soon be registering the Mites for the Essex Yamboree, Saint Albans and BAHA tournaments. He asked that, if possible, the Mite practice schedule be changed the Friday of those weeks as families will likely be traveling to these events Friday evening, and as such practice is not feasible. Bill will swap those three 8U Travel Mite, Friday evening practices with a team who has a sheet earlier in the week.
  - c. **Rink Update**-Jason reported that the new chiller is up and running at WABA. The floor is in and the Town is testing the chilling system. The rink is on track to open the 20<sup>th</sup>.

5. **NH State Meeting Report:** The next NHAHA meeting is this Saturday, October 13<sup>th</sup> in Concord. Jason will attend.
  
6. **Meeting Adjourned:** 7:46 PM

*11/5/14 Addendum: Sarah motioned by email to have the Association cover the purchase of 100 award markers for each squirt, peewee and bantam team, to be used at the discretion of the coaches, for a total cost of \$202.20 for 600 stickers. Bill voiced skepticism for the helmet stickers, concerned with the subjectiveness of and potential problems arising with their award. The motion passed with six affirmative votes (JO, AD, RG, JS, JB and BB). Sarah made a second email motion to approve the purchase of practice jerseys for the squirt, peewee and bantam teams, not to exceed \$20 per jersey, for an estimated total of \$1,800 for 90 jerseys. Bill shared information regarding more reasonable pricing. Jason was in favor of the motion, given they were inventoried and returned at the end of the season to be reused. The motion passed with six affirmative votes (JO, AD, RG, JS, and BB).*