

Sheboygan Blue Line Association

Board Meeting Minutes 7-20-21

1.Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by President Nathan Taylor

Present : **President** Nathan Taylor, **Treasurer** Caleb Jensema, **Vice President** Chase Longmiller **Recording Secretary** Matt Van Der Puy , Karen Ingels, Tom Cagle, Sam Schroeder, Erin Lindow, Joe Reinhart, Kathy Scott, Jerimiah Siebert, Brian Allen, Mara Nack and Kathy Scott.

Absent: Jen Carderelle, and Joe Reinhart.

2.Members reviewed tonight's agenda

3. Motion –by Chase to approve the meeting minutes from June 15th ,2nd by Caleb. The meeting minutes from June 15, 2021 were approved with corrections to be made by Matt.

4. Fundraising Report- None

5.Treasurers Report- Caleb

-There has been a \$19,000 change as of right now in funds coming in at this time compared to only \$1,000 last year

-Rafter boards sales are at \$6,000

Motion by Chase to approve the financials, 2nd by Jerimiah. Motion passed

6.YHC Report(John Tabor)

-As of right now we have 81 kids registered for early ice and have met the quota to move forward with putting the ice in.

-Girls Try Hockey for free is scheduled for September 11th

-Fall registration for the upcoming hockey season is at 60 kids right now . We are usually around 150 for the season.

-We still have not found a referee coordinator yet. YHC will try to get Ed Moberg once more. If not the YHC may have to take over for the time being.

-It was brought up by John that we may need to have an incentive for the referees as we are struggling to get enough people involved. Pay for their classes? \$? Incentive for refereeing for a certain amount of the year?

There was discussion by the board on this subject. There were several issues and ideas discussed. Should we have a tiered system for amount of games refereed ? Expense is an issue for most of the kids to get involved , as pointed out by Brian. Equipment , classes, and uniform all up front costs . There was more discussion on what the association could do. Pay for equipment? More \$ per game? \$100 at the beginning of the season and \$100 at the end of the season?

We need to get the info out to the association as soon as possible so we can start getting those interested enrolling in classes. There was no determination on what we should do for incentive.

Motion by Chase to send out an email to the association encouraging people to sign up for refereeing and there should be a hint about incentives to come . Final decision on incentives will be made at the August board meeting. 2nd by Caleb Motion passed.

-Excel Camp scheduled for September 17th,18th and 19th. Registration to come soon. YHC to get information to Karen so she can set up.

-YHC will be putting in for the grant program again. They will use the money for youth equipment and goalie equipment for the first ice and Mite program.

-Looking to host a Mite Jamboree in December sometime. This is something all associations are trying to do. WAHA pays for the ice time for these events.

-Bantam numbers are still being looked at and worked on. There is a goalie from Oshkosh that is interested in playing here. Also a possibility of another goalie from Ozaukee playing at the Bantam level. John proposed to the board that the YHC would ask for the goalies coming from outside the association have their skating fees waived in order to help recruitment.

Motion by Chase to waive registration fees for goalies coming in from other associations. 2nd by Caleb . Motion passed.

-USA Hockey as a note is changing all of its verbiage moving forward. No more Squirts, Pee Wee or Bantam. Will now be U-10,U-12,and U-14 etc.

Tournaments (Erin and Mara)

-Shelley from the HS team had reached out to them in regards to the tournaments that we will be hosting in January. They would like us to change the dates in order to accommodate the HS teams schedule. This was discussed at last months meeting . John thought that we had this all worked out and was not aware of Shelley reaching out to the tournament committee. There was some discussion and it was agreed that the decision was made last month to keep things the way they were.

Figure Skating Report (Kathy)

-Figure skating is looking for an additional hour of ice at some point in the week. Tom proposed that we could get rid of the ice time given to the women's hockey seeing as numbers are low for the program. We could combine women's hockey and the novice hockey together to free up that time slot. Board was in agreeance.

-Numbers for figure skating are looking good again this year.

Facilities Report (Jerimiah)

-WI-FI wires are pulled throughout the building. The gear we need to update is between \$800-\$1000 dollars. This will give us multiple access points and better connection speed.

Motion by Chase to allow the association to purchase the equipment needed to upgrade the WI-FI system. 2nd by Caleb. Motion passed.

-Locker Room #3 is almost ready to go. Just need to get benches mounted.

-Tom is getting ready to go to be able to put ice in soon. There will be a call out to the association for volunteers to help set the boards and glass. Tom is confident he will have the help he needs.

Red Raiders Report -None

Administration (Chase)

-Chase is continuing discussion on COVID guidelines for the upcoming season. He will follow the CDC recommendations and also keep an eye on numbers in Sheboygan County. As well as any other recommendations by the county health department. Hoping that it will be a “normal” season for us this year.

-There was discussion on part time workers. Tom has a few prospects and will update the board as the process plays out.

Old Business- None

New Business

-Karen asked everyone to take some brats home with them.

Motion was made by Chase and 2nd by Caleb to adjourn at 7:17 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Matt Van Der Puy – Recording Secretary