

OREGON HOCKEY MEETING MINUTES

July 25, 2021

7:00 pm



Board Members/Attendees:

Attended	Name	Position
x	Melissa Kingsley	President
x	Justin Brooks	Vice-President
x	Becky Rothering	Secretary
x	TJ Whyte	Treasurer
x	Amy Cameron	Registrar
x	Kim Walker	Fundraising Director
x	Joe Mueller	LTP
x	Mike Noonan	6U
x	Nick Shtaida	8U
x	Mike Jochman	Squirt
x	Jim Conklin	Peewee
x	Tom Grice	Bantam
	Shaun Peterson	High School
	Kelly Sullivan	Tournament Director
x	Kris Sweeney	Volunteer Dibs
NA		Hockey Director
x	Kris Sweeney as support	Safety/COVID/Concussion Coordinator

Approval of Meeting Minutes from 6/27/2021: motion to approve Kim, second by all

Discussion of Closed Items: no items

Reports:

Safety/COVID/Concussion-

- No updates

Treasurer –

- See Budget Update

President –

- National night out using boards/radar/board from Noonan. Spot has been confirmed Tuesday, Aug 3, 5-8pm, set up 4pm. Location first come first serve basis. Nick S. can be there to get spot near rock climbing wall. Melissa, Nick, Mike N. present. Kris to stop by. All are asked to stop by.
 - Kris getting fliers printed.

Hockey Director -

- NA

Vice President -

- Scheduled as much ice as possible in Oregon. Waiting for contract.

Tournament Director -

- Not present- per Melissa, Kelly is getting interest in Squirt tournaments
- Suggested 2 away tournaments per level

Volunteer/DIBS –

- Nothing new

Registrar –

- Not present. Per Melissa, she would like to open registration by August 1. Need to get a message out to general memberships regarding current situation and upcoming registration.
- Do we want to have \$50 off for early bird registration.

Fundraising –

- Lace sandals “summer skates” and coozies- suggested by Nick S. Can put an Oregon logo on coozies. 25% paid back to organization. Sandals \$35, 2-pack coozies \$20
- Melissa would like to go to Fitchburg Farms with Kim to discuss Mum sale. They need 1 month between orders and pickup.
- Wondering if we should use FF again due to issues last year. Hahn’s?
- Grown up Prom. Could a party like this be done before next summer? Theme party. Gun club, Gorman? Hotel? Old Charlie’s? Brewery. Band or entertainment should be included. Melissa and Mike J. have band connections.
- Need to discuss Bucky Books- make minimal money last year.
- Paul the Cookie Guy- make good money, but can be abrasive
- SewVeryBlessed- Etsy. Shipping was a challenge
- TJ talked about having a scheduled block of dates set aside for each fundraiser

ALDs -

- **Learn to Play** - Nothing New. Try Hockey for free dates for Nov 6 and March 5, 2022. We don’t have ice available Nov 6th.
- **6U** - Nothing New (Around 24 last year, Mike will double check numbers)
- **8U** - If new kids- 3 Teams, otherwise 2
- **10U (Squirt)** - 42 kids (3+ teams) (2011, 2012). Mike J sent out a Google form regarding interest
- **12U (Peewee)** - 30 kids (2+ teams) (21- 2010, 9- 2009)- Bylaws say minimum of 11 players
- **14U (Bantam)** - 32 skaters, 4 goalies. (2+ teams). 4 hours checking clinic Sept 18 and 19. Free and run by Rick Fleming. Mandatory for 1st year and suggested for 2nd years. (Stoughton is releasing 6- Stoughton players are not considered “transfers”). Suggested that we review Transfers as a board due to past issues.
- **High School**- Not present

New Business:

- 2021-2022 Budget Update
 - Budget driven by 10% dues increase at all levels *except* LTP
 - Ice- \$275/hr. Current bill at \$81,331 at OIA. We have roughly \$20,000 to buy elsewhere.
 - Mums/cookies/prior year wreath sales are most profitable.
 - Board opinion that tournaments should be around \$500. Kelly suggested \$700's. After quick research other tournaments range \$700-\$900.
 - Can use Script fund as "slush fund" to cover budget shortfalls.
 - Checking Account ~ \$24,000
 - Amy is concerned the 10% increase is too much. How will it be seen if it is costing families more but getting less home ice? Tom concurs that this will be a tough conversation with parents.
 - **Motion to approve Dues Increase of 10%** by Kris, second by Jim. Motion passed. Amy Cameron abstains.
 - **Motion to approve Operating Budget 2021-2022** by Kim, second by Kris. Motion passed.
- Fundraising
 - Amy asked if we should consider forced fundraising?
- Hockey Director Position- \$2500 in Budget. See Committee Updates.
- Options for obtaining more ice
 - Home games/ No Saturday practices
 - Getting less ice during the week for M-F practices.
 - Reached out to both Stoughton and McFarland (contact is Christian) regarding ice. If both fall through, may be able to give managers money to buy ice for their teams.
 - Melissa is working on an email out to General Membership regarding working relationship with OIA and dues increase in a way to help everyone understand current situation in a positive light. Mike asked if we should send a video instead of an email? To ensure everyone is getting the message that the board intends.
 - For next weekend - we are going to reach out to the rink and allow OIA to resell the ice if they can.
- Discussed that Melissa talked with Mike Carr regarding challenges with Oregon Ice Arena as well as concerns regarding Youth's financial support of HS.
- Justin going to WAHA meeting for OYHB in August
- Joe to talk to Bob Whitehead for yard signs for OYH Registration. Justin will ask Ben/Larry if the rink would allow Registration signs on premises.
- Apparel- anyone opposed to finding new proposals for apparel/swag? Joe- Logo Promotions may be a good option. Justin is asking OIP. Tom-Squad Locker

Committee Updates:

- **Hockey Director-(*Shaun, Nick, Joe, Mike N., Mike J.)**. Shaun does not have the capacity to lead. Mike J offered to lead with help from Mike N. and Joe. May be able to consider multiple people for that position. Plan to write description and will be involved in hiring position, hopefully prior to tryouts.
- **Dibs/Volunteer-(*Kris, Jim)**- No Updates
- **Learn To Play-(*Joe, Kris, Shaun)**- No Updates

Next Meeting –

- Agenda Items for August Meeting- COVID concerns/limited number of people/sheet?
- Next meeting scheduled for Aug 22, 7pm Mulligans

Adjourn –

- Motion to adjourn by Tom, second by Joe. Approved by all.
 - Meeting Adjourned at 8:47pm.