



Mission: The “Upper Valley Hockey Association” mission is to introduce the youth of our area to and promote the game of hockey, so that every child in the program can enjoy a positive experience through encouragement, skill development and character building while creating a passion for the game

UVHA MEETING MINUTES
February 16th, 2022 – 8:30 PM

1. Approval of Minutes - Minutes will be sent out via email and voted on.

2. Monthly Reports

- a. Coaching Coordinator - The group discussed planning for the tryout committee’s at each level. Brock will be the lead for 14U, Will will be the lead for 12U, and Will is going to reach out to JZ again for 10U and work on finding people. We need to identify someone to distribute tryout jersey’s and someone to handle check-in at each tryout. Hillary and Roger are going to look into tryout pinnies. Squirt is the level where we need to worry about having enough jersey’s for tryouts because we have a large group of 2014’s moving up.
- b. Safesport Coordinator - No update.
- c. NH State Representative - No meeting.
- d. Girls Development - No update.
- e. Fundraising - Jen gave an overview of planning progress for the Skate-a-thon. The board will be purchasing pizzas with Ramuntos for \$9 per pie and also drinks. Money will be saved this year by not hiring a DJ/Photo Booth. Face Painting is coming back and will take place in one of the locker rooms along with coloring. Cherry has been taking the lead on fundraising. A head count is due next week (2/22) and we will have a better idea about how much food and prizes are needed. T-shirts have been ordered and have shipped. Crystal is collaborating with Tom for signage for the event. A sign-up genius is circulating and is filling quickly.
- f. Registrar - No update. Brock got the link back for registration but he needs to see if it works. We will push this link out to begin registration as soon as it works and policy is finished. There will need to be a registration process after tryouts where we will collect USA hockey numbers for the upcoming season and process payments. Brock will either create a discount code to roll over the registration fee or we will decrease the registration amount by \$75.
- g. Scheduler - Josh reported that all ice was booked through the end of the season. Brock asked who assigns officials for the state tournament. Roni thinks it’s on us to schedule officials for the tournament and not the state. Brock will verify and talk to Carter.
- h. Equipment Manager - Roni discussed the jersey’s/sock order for next year. Plymouth does it for about \$75 per player and rounds up to \$100 charge during registration. They get new jerseys every year. The group also talked about handing in game jersey’s for next year and when we could coordinate for that. We will make a decision about this in the coming weeks.
- i. Treasurer - No update.
- j. Marketing/Social Media Manager - No update

- k. Safety/Concussion - Player that just went through concussion protocol. She is cleared to skate.

3. New Business

- a. Board positions- The executive board proposed a new distribution of the workload it takes to run the UVHA. After Brock's proposal, there were no objections to the new distribution of roles. We will move forward with the role changes in the next cycle after the annual meeting in March.
 - i. President - Group Lead, External communications
 - ii. Vice President - Group Lead, Internal communications (curriculum)
 - iii. Secretary - Group Lead, Association Communications, Note-taking
 - iv. Treasurer - Group Lead, Accounting
 - v. At-large - Scheduler
 - vi. At-large - Registrar/Coaching Coordinator
 - vii. At-large - Fundraising
 - viii. At-large - Community Outreach
 - ix. At-large - Back-up Scheduler and Back-up Registrar
- b. Bylaws
 - i. Brock was reading through bylaws, and there is some old antiquated stuff in the bylaws for example, we must place an announcement in the Valley News 10 days prior to the Annual Meeting. Brock is going to go through and propose adjustments for the Annual Meeting to update the bylaws.
- c. WYHA Partnership Proposal
 - i. The Woodstock board met and voted to move forward with the proposed collaboration plan. There was one question from Woodstock about whether we would allow girls to be double rostered. Some of the Woodstock people wanted to confirm if they could play both. Kylie explained the Vermont rules don't allow 8th graders to play both per the VPA rules. But 9th graders can if the coach allows it. The group felt there was no way to actually make policy around this and will need to be case by case basis.
 - ii. Brock asked for any new comments on the collaboration and no one had anything new to discuss. Brock stated again that he feels strongly that this collaboration is the direction for 14U in the Upper Valley and the key to the future. The board would like to be able to communicate who the coach of the teams will be when announcing this 14U merger. The lack of board members in attendance prevented us from moving forward with a vote. A final vote on the merger will be conducted via email.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:15pm.