



**AYHA
Meeting Minutes
November 13, 2023
8:00PM**

I. Attendees:

Board of Directors (Voting Members):

President: Royce Lawrence- present

Vice President: Nathan Brimmer- present

Treasurer: Ed Bryant - present

Secretary: Kathleen Gebo - present

Boys Travel Director: Brian Seeley- present

Girls Travel Director: Renee Lochner- present

Ways & Means Officer: Justin St. John- absent

House League Director: Tim McNeil - absent

ADM Director: Tim McNeil - Present

Committee Members:

Building Operations:

Registrar: Abbey Temple - present

ACE Coordinator: Tim McNeil -

Safe Sport Coordinator: Nathan Brimmer- Present

Marketing: Megan Pliskofsky - absent

Scheduler: Katie Authier - present

Boys Tournament Coordinator: TBD

Girls Tournament Coordinator: TBD

Concessions Coordinator: Laura Bryant - present

Concessions Coordinator: Jaime Underwood- absent

Also in attendance: Tyler Thompson, Matt Authier

II. Opening:

A regular meeting of the Adirondack Youth Hockey Association (AYHA) was called to order by Royce Lawrence at 8:01 PM via Zoom on Monday, November 13th, 2023.

Couple months into season - cooling tower pushed to the end of the month. Royce will be in communication with the city. This will help this building run for the next 25 years

- First home tournament, both teams made it to the finals. Great tournament. Thank you to Brian and everyone who put in hours to help make this tournament successful. Businesses donated - thank you to them too

Motion to approve September minutes - Kathleen; Tim seconded

Motion to approve October minutes - Renee, Tim seconded

III. Treasurer's Report- Ed Bryant - present

- Income is up Month over Month ahead of last year by about 35% - main drivers registration and tournament income
- Concession sales from the beginning of the year to end of month \$750
- Income up Year over Year
- Main drivers are Registration Income up 33% and Tournament Income up 14%
- Concession sales are strong \$750 in two weeks
- Largest expenses for the month are Utilities up 66% over last year, Ice Rental up 10.5% from last year, and Uniforms when complete should be on par with last year.

IV. Visitors report - Matt Authier

- Jerseys 12UAA - Concerned about the presence - gray jersey. Matt said it was all over Facebook. The jerseys do not go along with our color scheme or logo
- A discussion took place regarding procedure for promotional jerseys
 - Tournaments vs games

V. Committee Reports:

Northstars - Renee Lochner - Present

- Northstars playing
- 16's have a Q game in, more coming up
- 12U development won a tournament this weekend, 10u won in rochester

Boys Travel Director- Brain Seeley - present

- Catching up from recent tournaments
- Needs to talk with Royce about ice time for B tournament - lots of interest and ice time looks scarce
- Most of the divisions are full with 4-teams right now
- No CIA time is available
- B tournament opens on first day of winter break - we can get creative with it to find ice time

Registrar- Abbey - Present

- Everything is good
- She is going to mites on Sunday - she needs about 42. Going to make sure all kids are set
- Brian and Renee were forwarded an email from the state - software is automatically creating red lines . Abbey is going to figure out who is near expiration and will try to reach out to coaches. Games will become disqualified if coaches coach a q-game and they are not up to date

Marketing- Megan -absent

- No update
- Not a lot of marketing right now

Facilities- Position TBD - Royce reported

- Work on cooling tower is delayed (John Kilmer is still helping with that). Targeting for the first week in December/end of November - this will require down time...a temporary cooling system will go in during the project
- Royce was asked by the GF police department - there have been smash and grabs in the area targeting the area - gyms, businesses. - don't leave valuables in plain sight

Scheduling- Katie Authier-present

- Scheduling is out up to Christmas for practices
- High school games will be starting in the next month
- Most weekends are full - little ice left - more in feb and march available
- Desperately short on officials - you may not have an official or you may only have one. AYHA will do their best to communicate this in advance
- We did have a level 1, 2, 3, and 4 - but they might not be ready until January

Ways and Means- Justin St. John - absent (Kathleen Reported)

- Still trying to narrow down a date with the Queensbury Hotel for the AYHA Fundraiser that works for all parties. Also, waiting on some sponsorship checks (3-4) for the dasher boards. Justin will be reaching back out to the remaining companies over the next few weeks to get payments.

House Program Director & ADM Director - Tim McNeil -

- 10U teams were put together, jerseys were ordered, majors should be in within the next week, teams need to be put in sports zone, and putting mites blue team together
- Pictures start on Dec. 2nd for 3 consecutive days

Concessions- Jaime & Laura - present

- Not much to report
- Going to restock from the weekend

VI. Old Business

VII New Business:

- Discussion Items:
 - Need another sheet
 - Laura - brought up some concerns by parents. Over the weekend, there was a 12U home game. The visitors had a 12U sibling in the penalty box, 6 teenage girls in the box between the penalty box. No spectators, no parents behind the line (there is a sign). Younger siblings are piling in the center box - we should send out an email to the organization. The Saratoga head coach's son allegedly made a comment during handshakes. Some moms were running the concession stands and were uncomfortable that a 14U girl came out of the changing room in a sports bra to talk to her parents. And a 14U girl who is cross-rostering fully dressing in the dressing room in front of the 14U boys. Renee - according to USA hockey no one can get more undressed than base layer - locker room policy. Signs need to be posted about locker room policies. Members need to say something if they see something* Renee will draft a letter for the organization. Kathleen will publish both letter from Tim and the letter from Renee.
 - Neck guard mandate (Tim) - Tim wants it to mandatory after a certain date for all players. Under USA hockey they are "highly recommended". There are some legal ramifications, Royce believes there will be a discussion at the next meeting in January and he predicts this will required next year. Lawyers advised against making wearing them an ultimatum, just to use strong language. It was discussed to consider - "fully advise" language. It is required in high school.
- Action Item:
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Closing Remarks:

VII. Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Royce at 8:50PM.
- Minutes respectfully submitted by AYHA secretary, *Kathleen A. Gebo*, ,
Tim motions Nate seconds November 13th, 2023.