

Waterloo Youth Hockey Association  
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
November 13, 2023

**Board Members Present:** Amy Knoll, Amy Schaefer, Charlotte Bushbaum, Katie Reicherts, Nicole Christopher, Trent Duniven, Mike Wirtjes, Jason Verbraken, Brian Cook, Shawn Monroe, Lisa Schwickerath, Katy Harbaugh

**Phone:** Dan Bumblauskas

**Absent:** Jenette Jebe

**Meeting Called to Order:** 6:00pm

**Guests:** None

**Financial Reports:**

- Warriors/Warhawks: Lisa Schwickerath – 9 families on payment plans for Warriors & 2 for Warhawks, 60% increase in the money made on entrance fees from 1<sup>st</sup> Warriors game this year vs. last year. Motion to approve Monroe, 2<sup>nd</sup> Wirtjes, carries
- Jr Hawks: Amy Knoll – Few families on payment plans, no other concerns, Motion to approved Dunivan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cook, motion carries

**Approval of Minutes:** October Meeting Minutes – motion to approve Dunivan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Knoll, motion carries

**Committee Reports:**

- Development Committee: Cook – Tryouts finalized, Dan Jablonic from USA Hockey visited practices in October and provided presentation for coaches. Committee meeting scheduled for 11/14 to touch base on how season is progressing and full coaches meeting for December.
- Disciplinary Committee: Nothing to report
- Fundraising/Special Events Committee: Kutz – Ordering 2<sup>nd</sup> round of Warriors blankets, sold out first round

**Affiliate Reports:**

- High School (MWHSHL): Cook – Learned a goalie can only play with one league, we had one between HS and Jr Gold, choose to go with HS. Do have a Bantam goalie still eligible if needed for Jr Gold
- Midwest League (MWAHA): Wirtjes/Schaefer – There have already been 3 incidents of sexualized bullying reported in the first 2 weeks of play. At direction of USA Hockey and Safesport, these incidents will be reported immediately to Safesport, refs have been directed to as well. Cook to address tomorrow w/ development committee.
- Alliance: (JR Gold): Off to a good start with some wins, nothing else to report

**Other Reports:**

- ACE Coordinator: Cook – N/A
- Apparel: Styve – Prepared a ordering guide for the future, Jr Hawks jerseys being reprinted per apparel companies review, n/c to us. Going to get Dickey's involved for local apparel options. Have an overflow of practice jerseys, looking at options such as to sell for practice purposes, etc.
- House League: Christopher – Styve also presented a request at house league for additional goalie gear needed after reviewing all WYHA stored equipment. Also down the road may need to invest in smaller gear for house league rental. Funds in improvements to pay for the goalie items. Motion by Wirtjes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Reicherts, motion

carries for goalie gear. Christopher discussed registering and gaging interest for Iowa Games for U6 and U8 House kids. One of the U14 House kids is requesting to potentially move to practice with Pee Wees, will reach out to respective coaches to discuss. A few other families who paid for both sessions and are now dropping out all together, will require fall season to be paid and refund spring. Will open for spring session registration only in December.

- Ice Scheduler: Humpal – No practice on 12/26, 12/27 there is practice time available, BH games 12/28.
- Referee in Chief: nothing to report
- Registrar: Block- nothing to report
- Safesport / Compliance: nothing to report
- Sponsorships – Harbaugh: nothing to report
- Webmaster – Harbaugh: need newsletter content

**Old Business:**

- Policy Updates: Reicherts in in process of drafting policy

**New Business:**

- Knoll - Audit of financials, upcoming, board to review Form 990, considering requesting an extension for further review.
- Injury prevention – an EMT-B or higher is required for trainer at HS games. Also need to put in an EAP in place for policy and post at the rink. Ensure all managers or coaches has first aid kids.

Meeting Adjourned 7:34

Online Votes: None