

**SF HOCKEY ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**DATE / TIME: 6/09/2024 - 6:00 PM / LOCATION: Virtual/On-Line**

**NEXT BOARD MEETING: 7/14 - Sunday**

<b>Call to Order:</b> 6:00
<b>Attendees:</b> Frank Zamiska (FZ), Lee Carson (LC), Mark Wolstoncroft (MW), Chris Gatto (CG), Rob Nelson (RN), Walter Keller (WK), Megan Joseph (MJ), Mike Ciocca (MC); Alyssa D'Alessandro (AD),)
<b>Not in Attendance:</b> Danielle Mach (DM)

<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>Information</b>	<b>Action Items</b>
Treasurer Report	MW to provide update.	For 2023-24 season, operated with a \$5k loss – primarily due to lower Jr Lions registrations.
PIHL Report	No PIHL BOG meeting in May, next meeting 6/19  MidAm District Annual meeting 6/22	Team Declaration and \$1,500 deposits due by 6/21  Same as last year, V/JV/MS

**Follow-up/monitor progress on action items from previous meeting:**

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Pure Hockey Team Store	Ask Pure Hockey to develop a team store with portion of proceeds coming back to SFHA. Circular green on white logo selected. Explore 5% fundraiser contribution from Team Store sales with Pure Hockey.	DM to provide logos to Pure Hockey and work to develop team store.
2024/2025 Registration/Anticipated Player numbers	MS numbers related to 25% rule; Jr Lions Registration fees	MW to provide annual budget update, discuss 2024/25 Registration Fees. Ice time cost increase of 5%, so registration fees will increase ~5%
MS, JV/Varsity Summer Ice Sessions	Continue summer sessions MS and JV/Varsity.  JV/Varsity - Focus on Strength/Conditioning, less focus on on-ice skills (August Summer ice sessions)	Varsity coaches discussing potential alternate approach to summer sessions this year, anticipate on-ice JV/Varsity sessions starting in August.
JV/Varsity Summer Off-Ice Sessions	Continue off-ice sessions, add fee to registration costs?  HS Weight Room – Mondays/Wednesdays, 3-4pm starting June 10th	Require coach participation (min % of sessions or player attendance taken) at off-ice sessions.  Anticipate 35-40 JV/Varsity Participants, \$52/player.

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	SCB Training – Tuesday/Thursday evenings, 6-7pm starting June 18 <sup>th</sup> through August 15 <sup>th</sup> (no sessions week of July 4 <sup>th</sup> holiday)	Events added to SportsEngine for RSVP, LC added new 9 <sup>th</sup> grade players to JV team
Early Jersey Order	Order (12 pairs) placed with Boathouse on 6/5, delivery anticipated 7/14	MW to provide payment to Boathouse to process order.
Green Glove Order	Order placed with Pure Hockey on 6/5, delivery in late Aug/early Sept.	MW to provide CC info for payment to Pure to process order.
Aramark – Parent Volunteer Opportunity	Acrisure concerts, Steelers, Pitt Football, PNC Park No minimum participation, 18 and over and RAMP certified, discounted parking, \$130-\$165 min. payouts. Aramark sends LS payment to organization to be divided between volunteers that worked the event.	Aramark needs 501 C-3 letter and completed W-9.  Email sent to parents on 6/5, 9 parents interested in volunteering. Megan Andrade to facilitate/coordinate volunteers.
JV/Varsity Pre-Season Team Kickoff	D.Mach discussed holding a team building pre season event at Atwood Park Lake in Ohio (1.5 hrs from SF). Two hour rental - \$600	Identify potential sponsors for event, chaperones. Hold event the weekend before school starts. DM to discuss with coaches.

**New Action Items:**

<b>Action</b>	<b>Information</b>	<b>Action Items</b>
Team Declaration	Awaiting declaration form from PIHL	Posted due date for form and check is 6/21.
School District Stipend	SFSD to provide SFHA stipend of \$5,000 (currently budgeted) for use toward ice/PIHL fees	
Missing Board Meeting Minutes	LC reviewed posted meeting minutes and identified incomplete minutes from prior meetings (12/21, 12/22, 5/23, and 6/23)	Copies of minutes provide to LC by FZ on 6/5 and uploaded to SFHA website.
Incentives to Increase Jr Lions Registration	Registration Cost Reduction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Currently \$800 full season, \$400 games only, plus \$200 for fundraiser; 26 registrations in 23/24</li> <li>- Little Lions free gear program (gift cards for first 5 new to hockey players)</li> <li>- Varsity away game bus trip or RMU game group trip</li> <li>- SWAG/Season kick-off event</li> </ul>	Ideas and discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Donation/sponsors to offset jr lions registration cost and increase interest in program.</li> <li>- Donor is willing to direct sponsorship to Jr Lions to reduce fees. Board thanked the donor for their generosity.</li> </ul>

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Registration Changes		Proposal to eliminate the fundraising fee, roll-in at a reduced level, increase multi-family discount to maintain equity. Unanimous vote to implement.

<b>Open Discussion:</b>

**NEXT BOARD MEETING** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of every month. Next meeting: 7/14/2024 6pm, public at 7pm. Location virtual/on line. MS Teams meeting option provided for members unable to attend in person.

2024/25 Absences: RN (1)

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