



**AYHA
Meeting Minutes
October 16, 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- present

House League Director: Tim McNeil - absent

ADM Director: Tim McNeil - absent

Committee Members:

Building Operations:

Registrar: Abbey Temple - absent

ACE Coordinator: Tim McNeil - absent

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- present

Also in attendance: Tyler Thompson

II. Opening:

A regular meeting of the Adirondack Youth Hockey Association (AYHA) was called to order by Royce Lawrence at 8:00 PM via Zoom on Monday, October 16th, 2023. Most if not all teams have been on ice at this point. Royce is thankful for everyone for getting this underway

-Royce would like to remind the association - if you see something say something...if something is broken or needs attention

- Motion to table September's meeting minutes - Royce will send an email to the board to clarify some of the items prior to approval. Nate seconds

III. Treasurer's Report- Ed Bryant - present

- Septembers invoice \$8000 / same time last year \$5000
- Year over year ahead of last year for income
- Sponsorships - Nemer, ADK sports journal
- Received a donation left in will - a little less than \$200
- Expenses - a little behind last year; big ones were ice rentals in Saratoga and Cooling Tower
- Month to month for September is in the black
- Ahead in tournament fees
- Registration fees up 35% from last month

IV. Committee Reports:

Northstars - Renee Lochner - Present

- Renee wanted to extend a kudos to Abby for doing a great job with registrar
- Waiting on international registration
- Reminder to coaches- if your name is not on the roster then you owe something (safe sport, etc)
- All teams are playing

Boys Travel Director- Brain Seeley - present

- Waiting on some games for tournaments
- Extreme freeze invitations out
- MAC Goalie and Slingo skating clinics start tomorrow
- Goalie training - 3 pools; each assigned to a session, cycles through, 25-26 goalies
- *When we travel - coaches need to inspect locker room upon arrival and take pictures of anything broken or messy (prior to kids entering), then make sure everything is picked up and clean before you leave

Registrar- Abbey - Absent

- No redline at 10U and up
- Working on the international transfer
- Staff report was sent - rostered coaches need to check
- Use the premade labels that were sent out, reach out if anyone has questions regarding the score sheets. Some teams may use gamesheets online - these are also USA hockey approved

Marketing- Megan -absent

Facilities- Position TBD - Royce reported

- Thank you for everyone who helped clean - the rec looks very nice

Scheduling- Katie Authier-present

- Rec up and running as of yesterday
- Able to extend ice slots Tue/Wed at CIA, that will help
- Power skating slingo start tomorrow Tuesdays through Christmas

Ways and Means- Justin St. John - present

- Invoices were sent out ; payments due by end of month, just waiting for them to come in. Justin will reach out again if they are not received

House Program Director - Tim McNeil - absent; Royce reported

- Just had the busiest week of the year
- Answering lots of questions for families
- There have been some issues with jerseys that are getting sorted out

ADM- Tim McNeil

Concessions- Jaime & Laura - present

- Past week was great - almost \$300 Sunday!
- Open skate - not benign scheduled yet; waiting for better ice
- Please add 7am slot to sign-up sheet
- Message to organization - if you are at the rec and it's not open, feel free to open it up

V. New Business:

- Discussion Items:
 - Nate asks for everyone to remind parents where to stand at the rec
 - Jamie asked for clarification on penalty box attendants - All need to be at least 18. In a worse case scenario if it's a kid - they NEED to be wearing a helmet

- Action Items:
 - Annual AYHA Fundraising Event (Justin): We have had significant costs and we are trying to figure out a way to bring money back into the organization. Justin stopped by the Q'bury Hotel and spoke with Tyler Herrick. We could use the ballroom free of charge. Time of year was discussed - possibly Feb/March, or September as a kickoff. Justin wants to make this annual and open it to everyone - family oriented. Justin suggests creating a social fundraising committee with Justin as the director. Nate suggests keeping the costs low. A suggestion was made for each team to donate one basket and have a basket coordinator and a 50/50 coordinator. The event can hold up to 350 seats. Justin would like to have a DJ.
 - Justin makes a motion to create social committee - motion passes
 - Justin makes a motion for Justin to be the director of social committee - motion passes
 - Reimbursement for coaching symposium (Ed): a few coaches have not been reimbursed for symposium. Coaches did double up to stay below the \$300 per person hotel cost. If we reimburse on Sports Engine we will still have to pay a 3% fee. Jason Wolfe cut Ed the check for symposium cost \$875 due.
 - Level 5 Coaches (Nate): Coaches have to do a thesis - due after Nationals. They have two paths to choose: create an hour long clinic through USA Hockey or do a 10 practice plan analysis and write a brief paper on it. Once submitted- 4 years continuing education classes.
 - USA Hockey is looking to bring clinics back to our area. Brian asked that we make sure these coaches give back to the organization. Coaches were reimbursed - let's have them coach where we need them - help out with evals and termites - Tim will put together a tangible list for these coaches to help with. These coaches can use these opportunities to do their thesis
 - Royce makes a motion to cut check up to \$300 per person for hotels from the level 5 symposium - motion passes
 - Royce makes a motion to cut Jason check for \$875 - motion passes

Closing Remarks:

VII. Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Royce at 8:47PM. Nate seconded.

- Minutes respectfully submitted by AYHA secretary, *Kathleen A. Gebo*, ,
November 13th, 2023.