

AYHA
Meeting Minutes
Monday, October 11, 2021
8:00PM

I. Attendees:

Board of Directors (Voting Members):

President: Royce Lawrence- present

Vice President: Nathan Brimmer- present

Treasurer: John Kilmer- present

Secretary: Margaret Lawrence- present

Boys Travel Director: Dennis Linehan- absent

Girls Travel Director: Renee Lochner- present

Ways & Means Officer: Justin St. John- present

House League/ ADM Director: Matt Authier- present

Committee Members:

Building Operations: John Kilmer- present

Registrar: Melissa Clifford- present

ACE Coordinator: Matt Authier- present

Safe Sport Coordinator: Nathan Brimmer- present

Marketing: Vicki Bushy- present

Scheduler: Mark Cozzens- present

Boys Tournament Coordinator: TBD

Girls Tournament Coordinator: TBD

Concessions Coordinator: Laura Bryant and Jaime Underwood-

present

II. Opening:

A regular meeting of the Adirondack Youth Hockey Association (AYHA) was called to order by Royce Lawrence at 8:03PM via Zoom on Monday, October 11, 2021.

Motion to accept meeting minutes by Nathan Brimmer.. John Kilmer seconded. Motion passes.

First group of kids will take the ice at the Rec on Saturday afternoon. John and Royce will be meeting with the city on Wednesday of this week to go over protocols, etc.

We have to follow county guidelines regarding covid. Anyone who is unvaccinated needs to wear a mask. Anyone who is vaccinated is

recommended to wear a mask. Our goal is to keep everyone on the ice as much as possible.

Locker rooms and bathrooms are in. They are clean with new fixtures. We are excited to be able to use it. The building is looking great.

III. Treasurer's Report

- The month of September we were down on registration income compared to last year. Last year we had more registrations because we had the green light to go ahead during the unknown time.
- Expenses were a lot less due to using Cool Insuring Arena.
- For the fiscal year to date we are in the black.
- HVAC was maintained. Boiler is from 1990 so at some point it needs to be replaced. Estimated \$5,000-\$6,000.
- The balance sheet. We are a little bit behind due to ice expenses. Overall everything looks great.
- Snack bar is going to be up and rolling over the next few weeks. Will check in with the county about serving requirements.

V. Committee Reports:

Northstars- Renee Lochner

- Everything is moving along. All teams are playing games as of this upcoming weekend!

Boys Travel Director- Dennis Linehan

- 12U tryouts finished up. AA and A uniforms are in. Waiting on the B which will be submitted tonight.
- Goalie situation with the B team.
- Dennis resigned from boys travel director.

Registrar- Melissa Clifford

- More registrations coming in for termites and mini mites.
- Still having issues with safesport with 18U and some coaches.
- Royce asked if teams can be activated without players so they can be plugged into the schedule to get ahead with scheduling.

Marketing- Vicki Bushey

- Ads submitted to the chronicle. One has already gone out.
- Seat stuffers at Cool Insuring Arena.

- Volunteer hours to stuff the seats at the game.
- Jeff Mead approved this.
- We have 1-4 new registrations per day since ads have been placed in the chronicle.

Concessions- Laura Bryant and Jaime Underwood

- Soda cooler is not working. Fitzgerald is going to work on it.
- Jaime and Laura did an excellent job preparing the concession stand space.
- Come up with a system of signing up for concessions.
- Main focus is for the concession stand to be covered for all varsity hockey games and tournaments.
- John has to meet them to get start-up cash. They will send John a break down of what they would like to start up with.

Facilities- Sean Monahan

- Clean up around the rink. Inside and outside.
- Jaime and Laura cleaned the concession stand.
- Everything inside was wiped down on the inside. The group did a fantastic job.
- Royce asked Sean to talk to the city about the price of the cooling tower in the civic center.
- Sean and John are going to connect on a few things regarding the Cool Insuring Arena.

Scheduling- Mark Cozzens

- Practices and house leagues are working on being set. A lot of games are being moved and some cancellations from visiting teams due to Covid.
- Teams need to be flexible about times.
- 16-18U teams will be done before Thanksgiving. This is priority so teams can get games in to be eligible for states.
- Zero tolerance policy with respecting officials, etc.

Ways and Means- Justin St. John

- Hoffman car wash fundraiser. Every car wash sold to the organization we receive 50% profit. Justin is going to send it out this year.
- Brooklyn Pizza and Pasta has a set up where they are giving back 20% of sales to AYHA.
- Northway Brewing company has an annual fundraiser Royce is going to put them in contact with Justin.

- Arrow Seal and Adirondack Renovations are going to talk about logos to be displayed in the rink.
- Howard Hanna display, Sports Journal and Trophies dashboard needs to go up.

House Program/ ADM- Matt Authier

- Email was sent to 8U and 10U teams to refresh app.
- Evaluation help for 8U and 10U house teams. Travel is all set. We need to round out the house rosters.
 - Ashley Underwood and Kathleen Gibo are going to help assist Matt with communications at the 8U and 10U level.
- Termite coordinator for the house program.
- Tim McNeil is going to lead mini mites.

VI. New Business:

- Termite on ice volunteers. They must be USA hockey members, background screenings and safesport to step on the ice with kids.
 - Termites rely on the “on ice volunteers”
 - We need as many fully certified volunteers as possible.
- AA tournament is the first big tournament of the year. We need to continue to work to get volunteers in place for the success of the tournament.
- We closed down interest for the girls meeting.

IV. Visitors Statements:

Ron Dufor- asked about practice ice times for the 16U boys team. They should expect one full and one half sheet per week. There are two weeks where CIA pulls their ice where we do not have access to the ice. We book in Saratoga as well.

VII. Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Royce at 9:16. Nathan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- Minutes respectfully submitted by AYHA secretary, *Margaret E. Lawrence*, October 11, 2021.