

**Watertown Hockey  
Association 9/29/24 6:30PM  
Zoom Meeting  
Meeting Minutes**

<b>Board Of Directors</b>	<b>Executive Committee</b>
Vega Nutting	Vega Nutting - <i>Board President</i>
Michael Ledoux	Michael Ledoux - <i>Board Vice President</i>
Chris Nethers, <i>Learn to Play Liaison</i>	Brian Nutting - <i>WHA Treasurer</i>
Jordan Reber	Amanda Caswell- <i>Secretary</i>
Shane Caswell	Michelle Rist - <i>WHA Registrar</i>
	Jonathan Rose - <i>Ace Coordinator</i>

- Establish Quorum Present- Majority of Directors (3 or more) required  
Board members present- Vega, Chris, Shane, Mike  
Executive committee present- Vega, Mike, Michelle, Amanda
- Call Meeting to Order (*Vega*)
  - 6:37pm
- 6/8U Commitment
  - PPS proposal silver package
    - Consistent structured program that promotes player success. 1 more weekday practice ice slot at PPS and more oversight of ice slots and timing of practices. They will provide management and oversight of 6/8U level.
    - Oversight will be provided by PPS of staff/coaches. Coaches (Wolves Players) every Tuesday for full ice. As parents become more proficient with coaching, wolves' players could drop to every other Tuesday practice.
    - Board member requested measurable outcomes/goals to identify success of program. It was noted that only using Wolves players does not promote female coaching. PPS will try to identify female coaching as the program progresses.
    - Goal for program
      - PPS will bring 15 new registered players into WHA by end of season.
    - Billing would be month to month for easier tracking and transparency.
    - Chris will send out revised proposal to board for final review. The board agreed to review and provide a vote after the final proposal. This is time sensitive as there will be no coach as of October 1, 2024.
- 10/12U Combined Teams
  - Combining 10/12U levels will go to the coaching committee as a recommendation. There are not enough players at 10U to create a team.

Discussion about 2 or 3 teams ensued. It was suggested the coaches put forward 2 proposals the coaches committee to show what each looks like.

- It was emphasized by board member that WHA wants to make decision that is in the best interest of the greatest good for most kids. It was mentioned the WHA might get more players when the other associations get started in the next couple of weeks.
- Jon will liaise with coaching staff and Vega will talk to Jon about team situations.
- 14U Decision
  - At the 14U level, there are 21 players with 1 goalie, potentially a second goalie that is brand new, another player that can make games but no practices. Player skill levels are evenly spread across blue, white and red.
  - A question was raised about who is on Coaches committee which is Jordan Reber, Brian Nutting, Josh Van Brocklin, and Jon Rose. Discussion took place as to how committee members are selected. It was reported the ACE selects the committee.
- Other Items
  - Head Coaching Application at 8U
    - It was recommended that Vega as the board president have a conversation with Hannah Sherrill as she was the only applicant for the 8U head coaching position. This is an effort to explain the situation with the program and explore ways to encourage her continued involvement in the association.
  - Voting on Team Rosters
    - The board agreed that email/text voting for teams would take place to be efficient with decisions.

Action Items:

- Vega will meet with Jon Rose about 10/12/14U level
- Chris will send revised proposal to board
- Vega will meet with Hannah Sherrill

Meeting adjourned 8:02pm

Respectfully submitted by: Amanda Caswell, Secretary