

Sioux Falls Youth Hockey Association

Board of Directors Meeting

August 18, 2021

6:30pm

Sanford Conference Room – SCHEELS IcePlex

President Adam Gorra called the Sioux Falls Youth Hockey Association Board of Directors meeting to order. Board members in attendance were Adam Gorra (President), Sam Everson (Vice-President), Lindsay Erickson (Treasurer), Ed Davis (Secretary), Dave Carlson (City League Director), Mark Bukovich (Travel League Director), Chad Dykstra (Member at Large), Derek Berg (Development Director), and Amanda Smith (Director of Tournaments). Quorum was present. Dan Houck (Director of Hockey), Jeff Bratkiewicz, Corey Camp and Cherry Hunter (Executive Assistant) were also in attendance.

Secretary's Report – Lindsay Erickson made a motion to approve the July 14, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting minutes with the following amendment – Mr. Chan is changed to Chung Chan. Motion seconded and carried.

Treasurers Report – Lindsay Erickson – Lindsay presented Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss reports for May 1 – August 17. Lindsay noted with extra teams, we need to create the best possible ice utilization. Mark noted there is not extra ice available. Currently on Version 3 for practice ice slot assignments. For Skills, it is most likely 3 teams will be on the ice.

Director of Hockey – Dan Houck

- met w/ Jesse Haines and Brad Rilling regarding Power workout schedule and times-attached in email
 - formulated team counts based on final registration numbers w/ Mark Bukovich
 - met w/ Mark Bukovich to discuss practice schedule after addition of travel teams
 - **there are some decisions that need to be made regarding the practice schedule
 - Tuesdays we have 3 hours of ice for 7 Squirt teams (6 boys and 1 girls) that get rotated through, this makes doing a 4v4 league a big question mark for the 21/22 season.
 - Are we putting 3 teams of kids on the ice at a time together for all Squirt practices?
 - Right now Bantam Blue has 1 shared and 2 full ice practices and Bantam Orange has 2 shared and 1 solo practice- are we decreasing all the bantams to no full-ice practice w/ the addition of travel teams?
 - helped Sarah Gillis w/ tournament selection for Sq White teams
 - assigned all Boys HS coaches - Coaches assigned to date:
 - Varsity 1 Head – Ben Prisbe Varsity 2 Head – Curtis Egan JV 1 Head – Brian Prisbe JV 2 Head – Ryan Siiro
 - Varsity 1 Assist – Leigh Dehmer Varsity 2 Assist – Mason Evans
 - HUDL conference call w/ our representative regarding packages for this season-essentially \$400 a team for the silver membership which includes 30 hours of storage-how many teams? Coaches like HUDL.
 - contracts for coaches need to be done before HS tryouts. Coach Wildung will work with goalies during Wednesday night Goalie Sessions and evaluate goalies during player placements.
 - provided Board Members with “Boys High School Tryout Process for 2021-2022” document.
- Lindsay Erickson made a motion to purchase Silver HUDL subscription packages for 5 teams – Varsity 1, Varsity 2, Jr Varsity 1, Jr Varsity 2 and Lady Flyers at cost of \$2000. Motion seconded and carried. Equipment from last season needs to be returned to Cherry for 2021-2022 Season check out.*

Admin Report – Cherry Hunter

- o Varsity Tournament – Ad prices the same as last season.
- o Stampede donation to SFYHA for last season's volunteers will be \$1500. Working on plan for the 2021-2022 volunteers for Stampede games.

- Stampede hosting Golf Scramble – Sept 18 at Elmwood to benefit youth hockey programs.
- Request for rental gear/expired helmets funding from Heath Rosenbaum. Two bids received
- High School National Tournament – March 24-28 in Dallas, Texas. Need firm commitment if SF qualifies. Board & Varsity Coach decision
- Webmaster would like to have consistent social communication with our teams. Options include Slack, Team Snap, Group Me and Sports Engine Chat. All options are free except Team Snap. Recommends SFYHA utilize Slack to assist families with multiple children and best product. Board Response – Hard to police and no action at this time.
- League Managers requested calendar be set at beginning of season for Friday Skills ice option.
- Update Vendor Agreement for events hosted at the IcePlex. **Board members agreed no fee for Informational Booths. Informational Booth applicants will need to submit a Vendor Agreement describing purpose of booth.**
- Referee Seminars – August 29 and September 25-26
- DOH Camp full except Mites.
- Registration for Try Hockey for Free events is open.

Presidents Report – Adam Gorra

- Sanford POWER Training for Varsity & JV – Varsity coach request for twice a week instead of once a week
 - Twice a week POWER cost is \$410. Per Estimated Cost per Player, \$205 is listed as the cost for POWER once a week. Players would not have the option of choosing one or two times per week. Board members did not approve twice a week POWER for Varsity players and season will proceed in accordance with planned Estimated Cost per Player.
 - Board members reviewed the quality of the POWER program and possible other options for 1 session per week. Strength Conditioning training is needed. Some players do not attend the POWER sessions.
- SDAHA Proposals & Play Down Requests
 - Squirt Period Length – change from 12 minutes to 15 minutes. Minor Penalties change from 1:30 to 2:00 minutes. **SFYHA does not support.**
 - Team Levels – Eliminates Geo Split, zip split, school boundaries and SF optional split plan. Allows options for JV/Varsity to host 1 Varsity and 2 Jr Varsity. Teams to be similar split within level. **SFYHA supports.**
 - Changes verbiage for SDAHA to accept donations of In Kind Stock – **SFYHA supports**
 - Yankton Boys Varsity to Jr Varsity – **SFYHA supports**
 - Aberdeen Varsity – field 1 Varsity & 2 Jr Varsity if Team Level proposal is not passed – **SFYHA supports**

Agenda Items:

- Office/Storage/Dryland Space Plans – No updates
- Puck Club – Derek Berg – Hockey Headquarters has donated 3 items and Derek purchased a net for Puck Club prizes.
- Fall Kick Off – Sept 12 at the IcePlex – Board members asked to attend and assist with the event.
- Sponsorships – Parkway Ortho will again sponsor the Atom jerseys. Bell Inc will sponsor the Mite City League jerseys. Derek is still looking for Raffle items.
- Tournament Updates & Mite Falls Freeze – Amanda Smith – All spots are filled in the tournaments except the Mite Falls Freeze. If C level tournament is needed – possibly host New Years Weekend? SDAHA League games are scheduled New Year’s weekend.

