



Menomonie Youth Hockey Association

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

November 2nd, 2022 7:30 pm at Dunn County Ice Arena

Call to order: 7:34 pm Meeting Adjourned: 9:19

MYHA Mission, Vision, and Ground Rules

Mission: To provide youth in the greater Menomonie area with the opportunity to learn, play and compete in the game of hockey with an emphasis on growth in the areas of skill development, teamwork, and sportsmanship.

Vision: Pursuit of the model USA hockey organization following the American development model.

Ground Rules: Mutual respect, be timely – start on time and end no later than 9:30 p.m. Come prepared. Allow enough time to make decisions and stand by your decisions. Communicate, conduct yourself and make decisions based on what's best for the entire association versus just your child.

Roll Call/Quorum:

- Stacy Hintzman, President - present **SH**
- Gary Messerschmidt, Treasurer - absent
- Mike Jax, Tournaments & Scheduling Director - present
- Heidi Neverdahl, Concessions Director - present
- Kate Kramschuster, Equipment Director - present (call in) - **KK**
- Heidi Dowd, Fundraising Director - present **HD**
- Tucker Giertz, General Operations - present **TG**
- Russell Bahr, Hockey Operations - present **RB**
- Rhonda Messerschmidt, Growth and Development - present
- Jennie Cimino, Secretary- (non-voting) present
- Troy Wilkens Concession Co-Director (non-voting) - present
- Adam Wamboldt Equipment Co-Director (non-voting) -absent

Member Comments:

The first part of each board meeting is reserved for member comments and questions. The board welcomes feedback and participation from all of our members!

Consent Agenda:

1. Nov Task List with Updates-
2. September 26th Meeting Minutes -
3. Approval of the following team managers
 - a. Bantams- Joyce Dahms
 - b. PeeWee A- Heidi Bjork
 - c. PeeWee B- Chelsie Cockeram
 - d. PeeWee C- Cherishe Nickell

- e. Squirt A- Sara Bahr
 - f. Squirt B- Melanie Marincel
 - g. Squirt C- Sherry Gibbs
 - h. Mites Red- Tracy Smith
 - i. Mites White- Lisa Tavares
 - j. Mites Blue- Katie Johnson
 - k. LTS- Heidi Bjork
4. Approval of Kyle DeVries as a non rostered practice coach at the Bantam Level
 5. Approval of Conner Berthiaume as a student coach at Peewee C
 6. Approval of Caleb Serre as assistant coach Peewee B
 7. Approval of the updated policy number 1.0

Regular Agenda:

1. President's Report:
 - a. WAHA Report
 - i. Culture Goal- WAHA is asking associations to come up with a culture goal for the season. The goal and actions will need to be turned in. This year MYHA will focus on a positive team culture.
 1. Slogan will be coming soon
 2. Promote teammate of the week on social media
 3. Create a # for parents to share positive things that they see kids doing
 4. Coaches will spend time focusing on what it means to be a good team member.
 - b. Season Progress? What's working? What's not?
 - i. November Schedule: Concerns have been shared about the 8:00-9:00 practice slots for the PeeWee teams.
 1. The schedule is tight with one sheet of ice and the number of teams that need ice time.
 2. The goal is to have three practices a week at the PewWee level.
 3. The late night practices are not ideal, however, that is what we have to work with right now.
 4. The schedule will be staying as is for November. The December schedule will try to even out more of the late night practices.
 5. If we had access to an outdoor rink that would help with having less late night practices. MYHA has not had any volunteers to help organize the outdoor rink.
 6. According to MYHA policy Wednesday night practices are optional for the families/skaters who participate in religious activities.
 - ii. Pucks are starting to disappear from the rink. Each team is provided with a certain number of pucks that they are responsible for and need to return at the end of the year.
 1. A sucker will be given out for every puck that is brought to the concession stand. This will be communicated in the next weekly association communication.

2. Kate will look into ordering 130 blue pucks for LTS and Mites.
 - c. Closed Board Minutes- When the board goes into closed session the details discussed are not allowed to be shared with others not on the board.
 - d. 50th Hockey Day(s) Menomonie Event December 9th-11th
 - i. 50th Anniversary Flier
 - ii. Letter to MYHA and Alumni
 - e. Beer License & Ordering:
 - i. Beer license is taken care of
 - ii. Beer needs to be ordered
 - iii. Wine and non-domestic beer needs to be ordered for the 50th celebration
 - iv. We need to have a door/beer monitor to make sure beer is not taken out of the community room. This position will be added to DIBS. We will put the chain across the door by the warming room to ensure people are not leaving the community room with beer.
2. Equipment Donation and Equipment Sale
 - a. We received a donation of nice equipment, most of it is too big for LTS players. The family said they would like us to be able to earn some income from selling it.
 - b. We will put out the equipment at the Try Hockey 4 Free event and ask members for equipment donations so we have a larger selection.
 - c. The proceeds will be used to purchase new equipment for LTS
3. Skate Sharpening
 - a. Skate sharpening will be open two hours on Wednesday and Friday. See the Proposal. Members will earn DIBS hours to sharpen.
 - b. Kate will check with Rory from Simple Sports and Russ to sharpen the LTS skates.
4. Additional Coaches are needed at the PeeWee C, Mite Blue, and Mite level
 - a. Solutions:
 - i. Ask the Stout students from another level to work with two teams.
 - ii. Advertisements placed at UWEC for volunteer and paid coaches
 - iii. Tucker is following up on a lead
 - b. The recruitment of coaches needs to start earlier.
5. Locker Room Assignments
 - a. Kristi will make a calendar for the month of the locker room assignments.
 - b. Locker room assignments will allow for better behavior management.
6. TV Communication/Digital Signage
 - a. The entryway TV can be used as a form of communication for locker room assignments, fundraising information, highlighting donors, communication updates etc.
 - b. Motion made for Russ to purchase an app to manage TV communication/digital signage- Approved.
 - c. Russ will show Jennie how to use the app and she will take over the responsibility.
7. MYHA Communication
 - a. One weekly email will be sent to the association from the board on Sunday's. Information to go out in the newsletter needs to be given to Jennie by Saturday night.
 - b. Team managers will provide just-in-time communication, or level-specific information through the chat.

- c. Board minutes and agendas- Items need to be sent to Jennie by Thursday and the agenda will be shared on Friday.
- d. Communications need to be sent to non-registered parents. Russ will look into having both of these groups combined on Sports Engine.

Next Meeting: Monday Nov. 28th at 6:00