

**SF HOCKEY ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**DATE / TIME: 7/14/2024 - 6:00 PM / LOCATION: Virtual/On-Line**

**NEXT BOARD MEETING: 8/11 – Sunday – return to in-person meetings**

<b>Call to Order:</b> 6:00
<b>Attendees:</b> Frank Zamiska, Michael Ciocca, Mark Wolstoncroft, Rob Nelson, Chris Gatto, Walter Keller, Danielle Mach
<b>Not in Attendance:</b> Lee Carson, Megan Joseph

<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>Information</b>	<b>Action Items</b>
Treasurer Report	MW to provide update.	2023/24 operating at a loss of approx.. \$8K; account transfer delay resulted in account late fees.
PIHL Report	PIHL BOG meeting 6/19, MC attended  MidAm District Annual meeting 6/22, FZ attended	MC to provide update.

**Follow-up/monitor progress on action items from previous meeting:**

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Pure Hockey Team Store	Ask Pure Hockey to develop a team store with portion of proceeds coming back to SFHA. Circular green on white logo selected. Explore 5% fundraiser contribution from Team Store sales with Pure Hockey.	DM to provide logos to Pure Hockey and work to develop team store. DM to send logos to Pure Hockey this week.
2024/2025 Registration/Anticipated Player numbers	MS numbers related to 25% rule; Jr Lions Registration fees, ice fee increase of 5%, adding off-ice training cost, removing lottery fundraiser.	Board to discuss and approve 2024/25 Registration fees. MC motions, WK seconds – Registration Fees pass unanimously  Open Registration week of 7/21
MS, JV/Varsity Summer Ice Sessions	Continue summer sessions MS and JV/Varsity.	Anticipate on-ice JV/Varsity sessions starting in August.  MS Summer Sessions? FZ – to reach out to rinks about available ice for MS evaluations.  Ask coaches to send out info on desire to hold off on off-ice session, movement up to AAA, missed sessions due to travel/vacations.

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Early Jersey Order	Order (12 pairs) placed with Boathouse on 6/5, delivery anticipated 7/14	Jerseys Delivered – <b>Distribute week of 7/14, send invoices through SE. Invoices sent on 7/15</b>
Green Glove Order	Order placed with Pure Hockey on 6/5, delivery in late Aug/early Sept.	
Aramark – Parent Volunteer Opportunity	Acrisure concerts, Steelers, Pitt Football, PNC Park No minimum participation, 18 and over and RAMP certified, discounted parking, \$130-\$165 min. payouts. Aramark sends LS payment to organization to be divided between volunteers that worked the event.	Aramark needs 501 C-3 letter and completed W-9.  Email sent to parents on 6/5, 9 parents interested in volunteering. Megan Andrade to facilitate/coordinate volunteers. <b>MW to provide non-profit info to Megan.</b>
JV/Varsity Pre-Season Team Kickoff	D.Mach discussed holding a team building pre season event at Atwood Park Lake in Ohio (1.5 hrs from SF). Two hour rental - \$600	<b>Identify potential sponsors for event, chaperones. Hold event the weekend before school starts. DM to discuss with coaches.</b>
Team Declaration	Declarations submitted on 6/19	<b>Commissioner informed Varsity Coach moving to AAA, JV – Tier 2, MS – Tier 2 requested</b>
Incentives to Increase Jr Lions Registration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Reducing registration cost to \$300 (donation directed to fee reduction)</li> <li>- Little Lions free gear program (gift cards for first 5 - 7 new to hockey players)</li> <li>- Varsity away game bus trip or RMU game group trip</li> <li>- SWAG/Season kick-off event</li> </ul>	<b>FZ to work with DM and School AD to advertise jr lions registrations.</b>
School District Stipend	- SFSD to provide SFHA stipend of \$5,000 (currently budgeted) for use toward ice/PIHL fees	<b>FZ to Follow up with AD on receipt of stipend.</b>

**New Action Items:**

<b>Action</b>	<b>Information</b>	<b>Action Items</b>
JV/Varsity Hockey Awards	JV and Varsity certificates/letters not distributed to players at end of school year	<b>FZ to collect awards from AD office and distribute to players and team managers</b>
Warm up Gear for JV/Varsity Players	DM looking into costs for hoodie/shorts from local shop	<b>DM to provide item costs, board to discuss.</b>

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Table at SF Community Day	Saturday August 24 <sup>th</sup> 11am-5pm Jr Lions Registration, Game, try on gear	\$25 fee for non-profit registration, FZ to complete registration. Registration completed on 7/15
SafeSport for 2007 BY Players	Players with 2007 (turning 17 on or before 12/31) or earlier and playing on a team with minor athletes	FZ sent email with SafeSport link to all players requiring certification on 7/12, completion of certification is requirement for season participation in Sept.
Hudl Subscription	Subscription for MS team expiring on 8/1;m \$695 to renew.	Cancel or Renew based on MS coach interest and board discussion. Walter to decide and get back to FZ.
MS Alpha League Participation	Projecting 25 or more players, nine (9) 2012 BY. Requested Tier 2 consideration with PIHL Fee is \$6,900	Deadline to register for Alpha League is July 19 <sup>th</sup> . FZ motions, CG seconds, approved unanimously.
USA Hockey Web Portal	Opening Soon – Remind all coaches and board members to complete 2024/25 USA Hockey Registration and SafeSport certification	
Mid AM Required Documents	Member Agreement, Annual Disclosure Form	Deadline to Submit is July 30 <sup>th</sup> . FZ to submit week of 7/15
Senior Suspension Fine	Senior player suspended during playoff game, per rule 7.3.1.3 the association is fined \$250 per individual. Invoice will be issued by PIHL for fine.	
August Board Meeting – 8/11	Return to in person meetings	Determine meeting location – Pergola behind HS.
M.Lobanov Eligibility	Re-Submit required documents to PIHL	FZ to determine documents required to resubmit to PIHL.

<b>Open Discussion:</b>

**NEXT BOARD MEETING** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of every month. Next meeting: 8/11/2024 6pm, public at 7pm. RETURN TO IN PERSON MEETINGS. MS Teams meeting option provided for members unable to attend in person.

2024/25 Absences: RN (1), DM (1), LC (1), MJ (1)

Frank Zamiska (FZ), Lee Carson (LC), Mark Wolstoncroft (MW), Chris Gatto (CG), Rob Nelson (RN), Walter Keller (WK), Danielle Mach (DM), Megan Joseph (MJ), Mike Ciocca (MC); Matt Schwartz (MS), Alyssa D’Alessandro (AD), Torrey Schwartz (TS), Christine Stilley (CS), Don Snyder (DS), Nick Crouse (NC)