

SHL Board Meeting – 5/21/2024

North Country Builders

Called to Order at 6:00 pm

Attendees

Adam Gafner, Chris Madle, Autumn Wright, Kevin Helmuth, Jaime Zastrow, Tanya Anker, Samantha Bartz, Amanda Schroeder, Amanda Jach

Visitors

Lauren Laubscher, Vanessa Krueger, Brandy Slater, Lindsey Blanke, Erin Silk, Erin Mooers, Austin Mooers, Kassie Schroeder

Agenda

Approval of April Minutes

- Autumn made motion to approve minutes from April 11th; Kevin 2nd; all in favor; motion passed
- Kevin made motion to approve minutes from April 22nd; Autumn 2nd; all in favor; motion passed

Visitors/Public Comment

- None; will comment when Bantam topic is covered

Board Member Reports/Updates

A. President Update – Adam

a. Bantam Discussion

- Adam gave background on Bantam situation; board raised a concern in January; Adam had conversation with all high school eligible players and all eligible players plan to move to high school; Adam cannot force HS eligible players to remain in the youth league and cannot cut players
- Prior to the meeting, Adam contacted all Bantam families to get input on solution to low team numbers for 2024-2025 season; Adam also contacted 2024-2025 Peewee families to determine how many will be playing/returning
- Options include: moving 2nd year Peewees up, co-op with another league, one-year release
- Marinette was interested in a co-op for Bantams but ultimately decided not to; Marinette said they would accept players if released
- 4-5 Peewees would need to move up to make a team; not all eligible Peewee families are interested in moving their skater up
- One-year release would require families be in good financial standing with SHL (\$0 balance); per WAHA, skaters can only choose from Waupaca, Marinette, Appleton, Green Bay; skaters would not be considered out-of-district at other organizations
- Chris made motion to approve a one-year release for Bantam players; Sam 2nd; all in favor; motion passed

b. Open Board Positions

- Rink Manager – no applicants; group suggested making this a position where the person learns about rink maintenance; committee will support rink duties; need someone with good communication skills

- Safety Coordinator – originally had two interested in the position; one has since removed themselves; remaining party is Desirae Thiel; Autumn made motion to accept Desirae Thiel as Safety Coordinator to fulfill Bo Wood’s remaining term; Amanda Schroeder 2nd; all in favor; motion passed
- c. 2026 State Tournament Application
 - Application was due May 15th; Adam submitted application to host 10U, 12U, 14U, and 18U (last choice)
- d. 2024-2025 Playdowns
 - SHL is hosting Region 3 playdowns February 1st and 2nd 2025
- e. Lease Update
 - Lease put on hold due to county discussions with a possible buyer; Adam and Tanya to attend Public Property Committee meeting on June 13th at 8:00 am
- f. Fair Stand Purchase
 - Bruce wants to sell the building; will sell to league for \$25,000 with \$2,500 paid each year after the fair for 10 years, 0% interest
 - Adam will contact Bruce about any taxes or fees; will discuss at the next meeting
- g. Final County Bill
 - Final bill for overages from the county is \$7,634.03; going forward league is requesting itemization/invoice for items on bill; Adam made motion to approve and pay the county; Jaime 2nd; all in favor; motion passed
 - Per agreement, high school will pay \$954.25; leaves balance of \$1,045.75 for overages for next season
- h. Release Policy – Mooers Release Request
 - Mooers family is requesting a release for Austin and Wyatt to Appleton where they played last season
 - Adam indicated 17 confirmed Peewees playing next year, 1 no; 18 is probable; number does not include any Squirts that are eligible to move up
 - Chris made motion to approve release of Austin Mooers to Appleton; Amanda Schroeder 2nd; all in favor; motion passed
 - Kevin made motion to approve release of Wyatt Mooers to Appleton; Jaime 2nd; all in favor; motion passed
- i. New League Logo/Name – Jersey Update
 - Amanda Jach created options for logo/name change to Jr. Hawks; shared with the board
 - Stubborn Brothers has committed to donating money for new, personalized jerseys; Tanya to contact Brothers Pub
 - Adam to solicit ideas for new logo/name from the league; will discuss at the next meeting
- B. Vice President Update – Kevin**
 - No updates
- C. Financial Update – Amanda S.**
 - a. Associated Bank vs. CoVantage discussion
 - Adam requested financial report from Nicole because she could not attend
 - Amanda S. met with Nicole to get documents and information

- Amanda S. met with CoVantage to discuss moving account from Associated Bank to CoVantage; Tanya made motion to move accounts from Associated Bank to CoVantage; Adam 2nd; all in favor; motion passed
- Autumn made motion to approve putting Adam Gafner on the bank account as President; Kevin 2nd; all in favor; motion passed
- Autumn made motion to approve putting Tanya Anker on the bank account as Secretary; Kevin 2nd; all in favor; motion passed
- Autumn made motion to approve putting Amanda Schroeder on the bank account as Treasurer; Kevin 2nd; all in favor; motion passed

b. Player Fees

- Table until next meeting

D. Secretary Update – Tanya

a. Service Hours

- Balance for service hours not completed is \$5,912.50 (\$25 per hour per the handbook)
- Group discussion on how to handle service hours; everyone to think about options and will discuss at the next meeting

E. Fundraising Update – Lauren and Amanda

a. Golf Outing Update

- Securing sponsors for the golf outing; will be on the Breakfast Club on July 10th to talk about the golf outing

F. Marketing Update – John

- No new sponsors; working on sponsor letter to send to previous sponsors
- John suggested a grant specialist to help with submitting grants

G. Rink Update – All

- Chris is going to contact Kort about rebuilding the compressor and confirm if they are recommending a booster pump
- Need to consider having Hydraulic Specialists check all things on the zamboni with a hydraulic seal prior to the season
- Need to get another set of bleachers

H. Registration Update – Autumn

- Registration to open July 1st
- Autumn confirmed that out-of-area mites that have established Shawano as their home association require a release
- Discussion about Sports Engine fees; league is charged fees when people pay registration online; Amanda Schroeder made a motion to add service fees to the transaction when paying skater registration fees; Jaime 2nd; all in favor; motion passed

I. Program Director Update – Chris

- Plan to have skills nights most Mondays during the season
- Need to solicit coaches; Chris to email those who have expressed interest in coaching in the past; Chris to create something to post on Facebook
- Coaches meeting at the beginning of the year and throughout the year; Google form was created for coaches to complete at the end of the weekend recapping how the weekend went; expectation is that coaches complete the next level each year to a max of level four

J. Rink Scheduler Update – Jaime

- Jaime created mock schedule; will share with Adam and Chris

K. Concessions Update – Samantha

- No Update

L. Equipment Update – Amanda

- a. Expired Helmets/Practice Jerseys
 - League has expired helmets and a lot of practice jerseys; will need to decide what to do with the items
- b. High School Helmets – Kassie
 - High School plans to update the high school helmets; board to let them know if they are interested in purchasing

Next Meeting Date

- TBD; concluded meeting due to storms

Adjournment

- Kevin made motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:33 pm; Autumn 2nd; all in favor; motion passed