

CCJHA Board of Directors August 2023 Meeting

Meeting Date: August 9, 2023

Time: 6:31 pm

Call to Order

Present: Jon French, Ryan Bennett, Amy Blake, Tom Glass, Keith Frick, Kitti Loukus, Colleen Mayra, Ian Repp, Steve Mattson

Absent: Travis Kilpela, Jeff Van Karsen, Carson Stevens, Jenn Capello

Guests and Public Comments

No guests

Motion to accept last month's minutes: Steve Mattson, Colleen Mayra (support); motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Balances

- Board Balance: \$20,580.41
- Referee Balance: \$1,527.06
- Markham/Kero Savings: \$5,702.26

Motion to approve Treasurer's Report, Colleen Mayra, Kitti Loukus (support); motion carried.

Travel Committee Report

Possible Travel Coordinator Position/Letter Update

We will continue to work on this.

Travel Tryouts

Tryouts will be the week of September 11. Kitti will schedule ice time.

Finance Committee Report

Proposed CCJHA player and team sponsorship fee increases

Unfortunately, rates and team sponsorship fees must increase. The Finance Committee met. Our proposed fees are:

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| • 6U - \$275 | • 10U - \$650 |
| • 8U - \$450 | • 12U - \$725 |

- 14U - \$825
- 19U Girl - \$750
- 10U AA \$850
- 12U AA - \$895
- 14U AA - \$995
- If JV - \$675
- Girls sessions - \$200

All-girls teams in house division will pay the corresponding age division rate.

Finance committee needed to cover \$203K, we are projected for \$208K with rate change, doesn't include the increase in sponsorship (division sponsors), if so, 8U fee would drop a bit and they'd wear stickers on the helmets.

Sponsorship Fees

House

Rate will increase to \$1800 (\$1200 to CCJHA, \$600 to tournament fees) this is a 2-year commitment.

Travel

Rate will increase to \$3000 (\$2000 to CCJHA, \$1000 to team for tournaments)

Motion to accept player fee and team sponsorship increases, Colleen Mayra, Keith Frick (support); motion carried.

CCJHA age group sponsorship opportunities (I. Repp)

Ian Repp talked to Brandon at Keweenaw Chevy. He is interested and is looking at his current budget for next year and will get back to us. Ian has a plan to start the conversation at \$10,000, for sponsoring 4-5 mite teams. Ian told him we could do helmet decals and brainstorm on any other ways we can promote Keweenaw Chevy. Ian is prepared to go to \$8K IF needed.

Ian will talk to Eric Waara or Jeff Jepsen to find out who we can contact at Dunkin Donuts.

Ian will also work up a letter and terms for a division sponsorship.

Our prices don't include age sponsorship, so any funds will go toward the younger kids to keep them coming into the program. If there is an opportunity for someone to sponsor all girls, we can do that as well. Other ideas were Michigan Tech Athletics (Junior Huskies).

Equipment Manager Report

No report

Dee Stadium Mite netting replacement (Travis reaching out to J Jepsen)

No update

Update MAHA equipment bags

No update

Repairs/welding of 8U nets

Tom will weld them at his shop. Jon talked to Jepsen about Dee netting, which the Dee is going to replace.

Booster Club Report

No report; the Booster Club is meeting after this meeting. The topic of electronic card payments will be discussed.

Officials Report

Upcoming Officials classes:

- Marquette - 9/16
- Iron Mountain - 10/8
- Escanaba - 10/21

Local Officials' class is set for August 26 at the SDC. This will be Level 1, 2 – 90 minutes classroom plus 90 minutes on the ice.

Coaching Director Report

No report

Registrar/SafeSport Report Program Director Report

Ryan has access but he's still waiting for one background check. We only have two coaches who have done their requirements. Jon will talk to Jeff and have him reach out to coaches. We need to remind travel coaches that they need to be done before they are allowed on the ice for tryouts.

Program Director Report

GameSheet and purchase of 4 iPads (two per rink). Obtain quotes.

When we looked at increases, we figured we should be able to get an iPad and case for \$600 or less. We will get quotes for next meeting.

New MAHA locker room monitor rules update

Haven't met yet on this yet; no update.

Sample of new MAHA coaching application process update

Same – nothing yet from that committee.

Referees as contractors/Rukkila consult update

Kitti hasn't heard back on that yet.

Webmaster Report

- Will post registration tomorrow and advertise on Facebook and send out an email.
- Amy is going to work on making the website more friendly to families who want to get into hockey but don't know where to start.
- We'll be promoting our Try Hockey For Free event on November 4 from 12-1pm. CCJHA is registered with USA Hockey.
- Jon and Kitti are going to meet with Mary Babcock next week to discuss ice needs, on what the new ice signup is going to be for everyone other than Copper Country Old Timers, Hancock, and CCJHA.
- Learn to Skate – We will propose that the City of Hancock run it but we will find coaches and volunteers to be there (to avoid the USAH requirements). The CCJHA will help promote it.

Team CC

No update

Old Business

MAHA Revisions to CCJHA Bylaws Revised Draft -50% completed (Jan 2022)

Nothing new to report; in progress.

Stop the Bleed Training

The training session with Liz Siivola will take place on August 23 (Wed.) at Houghton County Arena from 6:00pm -7:30pm. We need to give Liz the attendee count so that she has enough supplies and trainers. Colleen and Amy will publicize the event via email and social media and send out a registration form. Signup is up and we do not have very many people signed up (no coaches, no parents). Amy will send out another email and make sure registration is still open for one more week.

Possible puck/ball shooting areas at the Dee and HOCO for dryland

Both rinks are still trying to determine a place to set this up.

NIHL tournament participation for 2023-2024 season

There was continued discussion on travel coaches not wanting to participate. We will table this until after the NIHL meeting next week in August. They are talking about maybe not having the tournament but still having the league). Soo might not be in it, to recap: 2 of 4 travel teams don't want to play in it.

All Girls Hockey teams

No representatives present but we will need to discuss needs, expectations, etc.

New Business

- Affiliate agreement - Jon sent it out last Friday
- We're opening player registration tomorrow
- Travel tryout dates - Week of 9/11

Two CCJHA BOD positions open (Audra [2024] and Keith [2025]).

Audra resigned and Keith is willing to give his seat up. If you have nominations, let Jon know.

Junior Huskies

Three or four years ago, there was a conversation and it stalled. No one at Tech has any issues with the idea and are open to it. We will discuss this idea further before approaching Michigan Tech Athletics.

Next CCJHA BOD meeting scheduled for September 13, 2023

Adjournment

Motion made to adjourn: Colleen Mayra, Ian Repp (support), motion carried.

Meeting ended at 7:51 pm.