

West Madison Polar Caps Board Meeting, 11.26.19

Attendees: Matt Goetze, Mike Wenkman, Laura Swisher, Steve Reuhl, Jake Moskol, Andy Boucher, Andy Osmond, Mac Helseth, Brad Elmer, Emily Feinstein, Dan Urban, Ryan Richards, Scott Meskin, Jeff Belshaw, Ady Mendyk, Jamie Beyler, Steve Corsi, Joey Frayne, Drew Justman

The president called the meeting to order.

The president entertained a motion to approve the minutes from the 8.26.19 board meeting. Drew Justman primarily supported the motion and Mac Helseth secondarily supported. The motion passed and the board approved the minutes.

Jeff Belshaw made a motion to approve the coaches at the competitive level:

- SQC2 coach, Dan Nagel
- SQC1 coach, Pete Lenaker
- SQB coach, Rocky Welsing
- SQA coach, Toby Kinsler
- Pee Wee C2, Jesse Sondel
- Pee Wee C2, Chip Sauer
- Pee Wee B, Andy Mendyk
- Pee Wee A, Bob Boyle
- Bantam B, Dan Beyler
- Bantam A, Rich Smith

Brad Elmer primarily supported the motion and Drew Justman secondarily supported. The motion passed and the board approved the competitive level coaches.

The president issued an assistant coach (name redacted) a first violation of the Coaches Code of Conduct on November 22, 2019. The coach, his spouse and the team's head coach appeared before the board to provide their perspective on the violation.

The head coach read a prepared statement in support of assistant coach's skill and character.

The assistant coach shared his professional background and recounted the events that led up to and included the incidents in question.

The board asked questions of assistant coach to understand his reported behavior and his understanding of the events leading up to and including the incidents in question.

Coaching Committee Update (Jeff Belshaw)

- 4 PeeWee teams
- 4 Squirt teams
- 86 registered coaches (1-2 still needing certification by 12/31/19)
- Started the competitive teams a week earlier than last year since more ice is available and allows kids to finish fall sports. Up to teams how they schedule this going forward

- ALD Reports
 - Initiation (Drew Justman)
 - Initiation going well
 - Learn to Skate instructors have stepped up and doing well
 - Upper 30s enrolled in Initiation level
 - RWB (Ben Jedd)
 - 66 kids and games started two weeks ago
 - Rink Rats (Steve Corsi)
 - 44 kids this year
 - U10/U12/U14
 - 50% girls at U12 and U14 level
 - Only two coaches at U14s; 5 for the U12s
 - One player from last year that would like to come back. For discussion with the coaching committee and then the board
 - SQ (Andy Boucher)
 - 4 teams, 56 skaters
 - Lots of success on the ice
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 - Pee Wees (Andy Mendyk)
 - 4 teams, 49 skaters
 - Competitive schedules
 - Bantam (Brad Elmer)
 - 4 kids left for HS play
 - 2 teams (15 and 17)
 - Cross Ice (Joey Frayne)
 - 35 skaters, Now 5 teams
 - Younger group of skaters
 - Numbers down from last year a bit
 - H4L (Matt Goetzke)
 - Luke working hard with neighborhood community centers
 - They prefer not Mondays
 - Goal is to start after the first of the year

- Fundraising (Jamie Beyler)
 - Need someone to do sponsorship and the tee-shirts
 - Looking at Sunday, Jan 19th for the ice but may need to move a game
 - More info coming in 1-2 weeks
- Outdoor Rink (Mac Helseth)
 - Prepped and waiting for the weather
 - The goal is to have it open after Thanksgiving
 - Volunteers were awesome this year
- Notes
 - Pictures this year are being scheduled
 - Swag store is open and on the website

The president entertained a motion to adjourn. Brad Elmer primarily supported the motion and Drew Justman secondarily supported. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned.