

October 9, 2024 Shakopee Youth Hockey Association Board Meeting

Meeting called to order at 6:07p by President Johnson. Quorum is met and no conflicts.

Meeting attendees: Chris Johnson, Danni Anker, Becky Benson, Erik Peterson, Curt Zins, Scott Reed, Jackie Grumish, Josh Flom, Chris Stanek, Shana Meyer, Jon Pherson, Jaime Grossman, assorted group of parents and coaches.

Attending via zoom: Jon Rademacher, MP Marschall, Calvin Simon, and Jillann Luth.

1. Registration/ Tournament update-MP Marschall. Looking for 1-2 Jr. Gold tournament remaining otherwise appears ready to rock. Canceled the Halloween C Delano tournament so looking for an alternative.
2. Coaching/THFF- Anker. Storeroom is organized and THFF has been great, props to Vanessa. Last THFF is this Sunday. Working on Sabres Snipers swag for participants of the shooting challenge. Discuss alternatives to improve this next year. 10UB2 is still looking for a head coach. 3 assistant coaches but no commitments for a true head coach yet. Other need is 12Ub2 as the current coach is also coaching another team as well but Jon reported that there are assistants there to help. Have JG coaches named, still a few moving pieces to finalize. Jeremy Duehr will be JRG coordinator. "Coachthem" website-offered to do training on the capabilities of this site as well as future app plans. Includes practice plans and videos.

Coaching Clinic is this Saturday and will include Andy Ness, contingent on no conflicts with the Wild season.

3. Mite Update-Becky. Need to set up a date and time for Mite families to receive equipment. Four M2 teams (32 registered), jamboree in Waconia; 1 8U team that still needs a Jamboree. Two even M3 teams, and they need a Jamboree. One M4 team, possible Jamboree in Sauk Centre.

Upper mite evals this week/weekend with teams announced before MEA. Sabre Showdown budget will be similar per participant to last year (\$13,710 compared \$19,650 for more participants this year)

Motion to approve \$19,650 budget for Saber Showdown. Chris second, motion passes unanimously. Discussion moved onto DIBS and the volunteer list. There will be 6 volunteers and a \$35 clothing budget.

Mite off-ice coordinator. **Motion to accept resignation of Christie Smeltz as off-ice coordinator. Chris Second- passes unanimously.**

Motion to approve Sarah Malone and Steph Kniessel as Mite off-ice coordinators.

Chris second, motion passes with one vote opposed (MP).

Rookie mites volunteer for Dibs, what should they be? Discussion around hours..

Motion by Becky to grant Rookie Mite coaches 9 hours of dibs. Chris second.

Motion passes unanimously.

HDM update: Josh Flom- Tickets are for sale, still working on ticketing policies for unknown situations that may arise. For example, under age 2 or potential student tickets at discounted price? Anyone in SYHA could be included in the student tickets but still need to iron that out. Nothing is finalized yet. There is no continuity from one HDM board to another. For example, no liaison for the current HDM board from last year in Warroad or previous years in WBL.

Still no estimate for how many dibs will be required or about the scheduling and it is quite nerve racking. Josh continued with a few updates but that there does not appear to be any concrete plans or scheduling yet. Still discussing/working on potential ice time on the main HDM rink for other SYHA youth teams. Chris requested an estimate for dibs from the HDM board in the coming weeks. Only one SYHA team has been penciled in so far so there are no guarantees as to which, if any, SYHA teams are involved on the ice. Looking to put two SYHA flag bearers for each game. Jaime Grossman stated there will already be 2 flags for each Shakopee girl varsity games so may be 3 flag bearers for HDM Shakopee girls varsity games. Last topic is the awareness that the SYHA gambling license will not be used for any HDM raffles.

Shakopee bowl has committed to the Mite spotlight in which they get a \$5 card and ice cream to each spotlighted Mite.

4. Fundraising update- Chris. Ria Kashani will be leading the Pizza Fundraiser with 7th Avenue Pizza. Blanket fundraiser is underway. Packet turn ins will be November 23-25th. Pizza pickup will be Monday December 9th, 2024.
5. Gambling Update: Scott Reed. Pulltabs: November estimate is \$54,400. August actual was \$51,988.67. SYHA donation is \$40,000; SYBA donation is \$1,185.30. Pulltabs are in the Golf Garage now. **Motion to accept November estimate of \$54,400; Danni second, motion approved unanimously. . Motion to accept August actual of \$51,988; Danni second, motion approved unanimously. Motion to accept SYHA donation of \$40,000; Danni second, motion approved unanimously. Motion to accept SYBA donation of \$1185.30; Danni second, motion approved unanimously.**
6. President's Update-Chris. No current D6 updates other than refs are being "coached" to implement a zero tolerance policy of sportsmanship, for coaches, players, and parents and will not be afraid to eject people out of arenas.
7. Travel/HDC update-Chris. Need to look at design and build out of our HDC. Positions currently available: Hockey Director, Girls Coordinator, Boys Coordinator, PeeWee Coordinator, Goalie Coordinator, and determine budget, hiring, and next steps. Chris Stanek mentioned there is a proposal currently being worked on and he will socialize

this. Skill development proposal is still being discussed, as this was sort of set to the side due to capacity as tryouts were taking place over the past 3 weeks. Need to refresh the proposal from last month back in front of the board and discuss electronically.

Open Discussion- Chris. Waiver request to move a 10Ub2 to 12Ub2 . Participant is in 3rd grade and will be turning 10 this year. Was placed on 10Ub2 based on tryout scoring. Jon Pherson gave the back story and rationale for the waiver request.

Motion to consider moving participants up to U12b2 from U10 b2. Motion to deny this waiver request is second by Curt. Motion passes 6-1(DA) with Jon and Vanessa being absent from vote.

Another request to move a participant from 8U to 10bU2 up for discussion. Rationale here is that the U10B2 team has some commitment issues and possibly will have lower numbers. Example is there were 7 skaters present for practice this past weekend. This discussion is tabled for a 24 hour period until 9pm tomorrow. Erik second. Motion approved unanimously with Jon and Vanessa absent.

Entire 10b2 team composition needs to be reviewed and confirmed with D6 to see if this is even allowable. Last year there were 16 players on that team. Rosters need to be locked by 11/7.

Jr Gold coach is present and wondering about team composition/rostering/tryouts. Tryouts will be conducted similar to travel teams and be using Team Genius. Jeremy Deuhr will be in charge of the Junior Gold program. They will be conducted much differently than last year.

Danni is conducting a non-parent coaching spreadsheet to verify names and valid w9 in order to start issuing their pay.

Treasury- Jillann. Megan Menden and Jillann are meeting next wednesday to finalize movement to Menden Accounting and provide a budget for FY 2025. Jillann stated the gift certificate donated to Sacs will apply to the winner for the 2024-2025 hockey season.

Danni made a motion to purchase captain patches in the amount of \$339.28. Chris second, and the motion passes unanimously.

Shana requested time on the agenda for the next meeting to discuss SKATE.

Meeting adjourned at 8:38p.

Additional motions conducted via email since the September 4, 2024 meeting:

11/3/24- Motion to pay Training Haus \$12,210 for the November invoice. Motion approved unanimously.

1/1/24- Motion to pay \$5,005 to General Sports for Coaches swag. Motion approved unanimously.

11/1/24- Motion to pay ice bills at Shakopee Arena in the amount of \$55,660 for October 24 dues. Motion approved unanimously.

10/30/24- Motion to refund Weatherman SYHA fees and release the family from any volunteer or financial requirements for the 2024-25 hockey season. Motion approved unanimously.

10/28/24- Motion for SYHA to cover the \$200 rescheduling cost for Squirt C Red district game. Motion approved unanimously.

10/27/24- Motion to pay invoice 4471 in the amount of \$640 for 10U practice jerseys. Motion approved unanimously.

10/27/24- Motion to pay invoice 4405 in the amount of \$8,738 for practice jerseys. Motion approved unanimously.

10/14/24- Motion to accept August and September financial statements. Motion approved unanimously.

10/13/24- Motion to pay evaluators \$6,520 for player tryouts. Motion approved unanimously.

Follow up entry for 9/3/24 motion to accept HDC recommendation of allowing 8u players tryout for 10U level for purposes of also having a 10uB2 team. Motion was pending following a reach out to D6 for guidance on allowing this. D6 responded that this move would be acceptable and thus the board voted and the motion passed 5-4.