

## **K.Y.H.C. Executive Board Minutes**

**9/8/25**

### **I. Call to Order: 6:07 PM**

- Present- Sarah Williams, Corinne Zagorski, Amanda Tatro, Adam Koronkowski, Aimee Koronkowski, Aaron Pitts,
- Absent- Lisa Paschall

### **II. Reading of proceeding meeting minutes**

- Approved

### **III. Financial Report**

- Approved

### **IV. Coyote Committee Report**

- Mites and Squirts each have 13 registered players for the 2025-22026 season. The Peewees have 14 registered players. Thanks to a few Peewee players that expressed interest in being evaluated to move up, Bantams have 12 full time registered players with 2 additional players that are double rostered with the Irish team.
- Managers for the season are as follows: Mites- Teage Drinnon, Squirts- Kari Jamicich, Peewee- Susan Lazaro, Bantam- Lauren Bleyle. Thanks Ladies!
- Managers will attend a NWHL scheduling meeting on September 21<sup>st</sup>. Pre-tier schedules will be available after that. Schedules are subject to change during the following week.
- Pre-tier play may start as early as September 26<sup>th</sup> and will run through November 9<sup>th</sup>.
- The league is now utilizing a digital scoring app called Gamesheets in leu of paper scoring.
- Northwest Hockey League managers meeting is being held 9/21/25 to discuss GameSheets, rosters, and any other season information.
- Prior to the first home game, we will offer training for parents on running the clock and the new Gamesheets application. Keep an eye on Crossbar for this announcement.

### **V. Irish Committee Report**

- Irish currently have 17 players registered for the 2025/2026 season. The team consists of 16 skaters and 1 goalie.
- Crystal Schroeder has volunteered as the team manager for Irish this season. Thank you, Crystal!
- Practices started 3 weeks ago and have been going well with Coach Mark. The players will begin using the KCC fitness center for their off-ice training from 7-8pm and on-ice practices will return to our normal time of 8:30-10pm.

- League scheduling was completed August 31st, and all 28 games have been scheduled. The schedule has been announced to the team and on social media. First Irish game will be Sunday September 14<sup>th</sup> against OPRF at Ridgeland Commons Ice Arena; first home game will be Sunday September 21<sup>st</sup> at 3:15pm vs Glenbard.
- Jerseys have been delivered from Boathouse, bags and jackets have all been delivered from Jerry's Hockey with the exception of our late registrant. The two blank sets have names and numbers added by Premium Specialties; They will hopefully be done by this Friday 9/12.
- We have decided to order the Kelly Green shells for Irish again this year. They have been in short supply this year. We were able to order 12 from Jerry's hockey. They have a 72-day turnaround so unfortunately won't be in until November. All new players will have the cost of the shells added to their crossbar account. We are expecting the cost to be around \$65 each, once tax is added in. We are in discussions to officially add these to the Irish uniform so that we can get sizes and have them ordered earlier at the same time as the jerseys.
- Illinois West managers meeting is being held 9/10/25 to discuss GameSheets, rosters, and any other season information.
- Prior to the first home game a training will be offered for the clock and Gamesheets. We will need volunteers for both jobs at home games. Keep an eye on Crossbar for this announcement. We will also need 1 volunteer per game, home and away, for the yellow jacket. This is for crowd control for our own team. Crystal will be requesting volunteers to sign up in Crossbar.
- Please make sure everyone has read and completed the Illinois West zero tolerance policy. The league requires this to be completed prior to the first league game.
- Irish will be volunteering at Sleep In Heavenly Peace for their bed building day on September 13<sup>th</sup> at Peoples Bank in Kankakee from 9-12pm. If anyone that has not signed up yet would like to, the sign-up link is posted on their Facebook page. Any volunteers under 16 will need approval from a parent in order to volunteer.
- Unfortunately, due to player availability, we did not have enough volunteers for the BrainUp event in Chicago this year.

## **VI. IVC Report**

- No representative was in attendance
- IVC is collaborating with KYHC to market both the hockey club and the ice rink. Ice Valley will provide tickets for free admission to free skate for us to hand out at the Octoberfest parade. They will provide us with an IVC banner to put on the trailer.

## **VII. Fundraising Committee Report**

- Fundraising committee volunteers: MaryKay Renchen (Family Fundraising co-chair), Darby Wilkening (Club Fundraising co-chair), Jessica Huff (AD book co-chair), Kristi Porter, Karli Goodrich, Karlee Stewart, Maysie Clyden
- Club Fundraising
  - Blanket fundraiser is live. The lower cost of blankets was prioritized over profit. Any profits made will be split between the teams. As of tonight, we have 36 Coyotes and 14 Irish blankets purchased.

- Dine and Donates are being set up. The plan is to have one a month. The first date is 9/25/25 at Chipotle from 5:00 –9:00PM The club earns 25% of sales. A flyer must be shown. There needs to be \$150 in total sales to receive the donation.
  - The committee discussed encouraging teams to choose one of the dates for a team bonding dinner.
- KYHC Day planning has started, and a date will be set based on game scheduling. The Board would like to move away from asking teams to donate baskets. The committee is looking into options for involving more businesses in the community.
- Family Fundraising:
  - Fundraising is being set up with a different promotion each month. Families may choose which ones they would like to participate in. Most fundraisers give back a percentage of total sales. The more we sell a group the higher the percentage.
    - September- Little Caesars-\$6 profit per kit sold
    - October- Mickman Bros holiday wreaths and greenery-ready for Christmas-\$15% profit
    - November- The Dough Shoppe-cookie dough Up to 40% profit
    - January- Butter Braids-up to 40% profit
    - February- still in the planning stage. Possibly Tidal Wave Car wash
  - Keep an eye out for a Little Caesars flyer coming soon.
- Ad Book: AD book Flyer is out, and families are encouraged to start collecting ads. 80% of these sales go directly back to families' accounts.
- Any discounts or money earned for families through fundraising comes off of the last payment.

## **VIII. Marketing and Promotions Committee Report**

- Marketing and Promotions committee members: Lisa Paschall (chair), Joe Paschall, Kari Jamicich, Teage Drinnon, Lauren Bleyle, John Bultima, Aaron Pits
- Patches to commemorate the 20yr season are in
- Car decals and stickers will be available to order. They will offer 6- and 3-inch sizes for Coyotes and Irish. We will also offer a special 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary sticker in the 3-inch size.
- The committee is looking into setting up a spirit shop with Elite Designs. This will hopefully be open in a week or two. With orders distributed around Halloween.
- KYHC will be setting up scarecrows in the Bourbonnais Scarecrow Festival at Perry Farm. Two scarecrows next to each other have been purchased, one for Irish and one for Coyotes. They need someone to create a sign with our logos and a QR code. They are also looking for old gear donations. Volunteer credits will be given. Please contact Kari Jamicich, Corinne Zagorski or your team manager.
- September 27<sup>th</sup> KYHC will have a float in the Manteno Octoberfest parade. We are partnering with IVC – they will provide us with a banner to promote IVC and will provide us with tickets for free admission to free skate. We need Irish and Coyote players to rollerblade along with the float. Parents are welcome to walk as well. They are also collecting candy dentations to pass out at the parade. Sign up on the website and turn into John Bultima.

## **IX. Unfinished Business**

- Training for Scoreboard/Gamesheets: Date will be set after the managers are trained.

## **X. New Business**

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## **XI. Public Comment**

- The mite goalie bag is missing the goalie neck guard. Mites do have a few kids interested in playing goalie. They may need a larger size of hockey gear.

## **I. Adjournment/Next meeting**

- 7:08pm/Thursday October 9th, 6:30pm at Ice Valley