

DYHA Board Meeting Minutes
September 10, 2024 @ 6:30 PM
Dubuque ImOn Arena
Community Room

Stephanie Fueger called meeting to order at 6:35PM.

Attendance: Stephanie Fueger, Kelly Klein, Molly Ties, Chad Wilwert, Jess Smith, Cody Lytle, Dustin Smith, Justin Muehlenkamp. Nonboard Members Amy Sookochoff, Mark Plantery.

Secretary Report

- Motion to approve Secretary Report by Stephanie Fueger, Second by Jess Smith. Motion Approved.

Financial Report

- \$5,200 Coach King donated for general use or as needed
- John Deere Donations
- OneGoal Initiative (Dubuque Screw & Crawford) - donations towards Mite Jerseys (\$4,377 total for jerseys) \$5,000 total donations
 - Stephanie Fueger motions to approve, Chad Wilwert seconds motion. Motion Approved
- \$2,250 DYHA funds for scholarships for the season
 - \$500 from OneGoal Initiative totaling \$2,750 for scholarships
 - Molly Ties motion to approve, second by Stephanie Fueger. Motion approved.

Motion to approve Financial Report by Kelly Klein, second by Dustin Smith.

High School Team Update Amy

- Working on financials, budget is not finalized as of yet.
- Austin and coaching contract
 - No official contract has been signed. Stephanie can assist in the contract.
 - Assistant Coach: Joe Steuck, Tim King, and Justin Muehlenkamp
- Iowa State Square Fundraising Board
 - Funds collected and how much was paid out to Molly by December 31st
 - DYHA provides pucks to the HS Team for the upcoming season

Nick Sprague Update

- **Schedule**
 - Loading the schedule and waiting for coaches and tournaments. Tournaments will be loaded once those are completed.
- **Home Games**
 - Bantam-10 games
 - Pee wee Red- 6 games
 - PeeWee White - 4 games

Squirt Red - 8 games

Squirt White - 6 games

Squirt Black - 6 games

Mites - 10 games through January 1st, 2025

- **New Software** - Firm in MN, he will enter the games into the system and officials can click on it if they want it. They can add their availability and Nick can update it for each game. All payments will come from Software (they will send a check and bill with added on 3%). **Refer Sports**
- **Background checks and reimbursements**
 - Reimburse after 3 games
 - **How many expected to Ref?**
 - 12 from last year to see if they are interested
 - 4 emailed back
 - Nick to send Jess the information for being a ref and she will send to the High School and Bantam teams

Director of Hockey Update Mark

- DRA and Travel Dubuque are putting on Autumn Adventures (showcases Schmitt Island). Want to know if we will set up a booth.
 - October 6th at 10:00-2PM.
 - Promote Try Hockey for free
 - Promote Little Blackshawks
- UD wants to hold skill session for every level, sponsored by Capra Bank
- October 12th and October 13th
 - 9:15AM, 10:30AM, 11:45AM, 1:00PM
 - UD will handle registrations and sessions will be free
- UWP will have a hockey team and practices at Tuesday & Wednesdays 9:45PM
- **Travel Team Coach Discussion All**
- Discussion regarding head coaches for all levels
 - **Mite House Coach: Savannah Snider, Gavin Netheree as second**
 - **Mite Upper House Coach: Brandon Monroe, Savannah Snider as second**
 - Motion to approve Mite House and Upper House Coaches by Jess Smith, second by Joe Hoffman. Motion approved.
 - **Little Saints: Rebecca Menzynski, assisted by Figure skating club coaches and UD helpers (Colin Fraser, Ben Ginter are interested in coaching)**
 - **Little Blackshawks: Phil Schader, second Jake Lamberty with UD helpers**
 - 5:15 PM - 6:15 PM Monday Practice Times
 - Motion to approve Little Blackshawks Coaches by Chad Wilwert, second by Kelly Klein. Motion approved.
 - Motion to approve Little Saints Head Coach Rebecca Menzynski (along with figure skating and ud helpers) by Jess Smith , second by Chad Wilwert. Motion approved.

- **Monday goalie sessions skills: Mike Kurac, Chris Curr**
 - 09/30/2024 5:30PM - 6:15PM, every Monday until 10/28/2024 and run it every other week. (rotation of Squirt Red, White, and Black teams)
 - Motion to approve Goalie Skill Coaches by Kelly Klein, second by Cody Lytle. Motion approved.
- **Squirt Skills Sessions: Mark Plantery, Carver Watson**
 - 7:15 PM - 8:15 PM Tuesdays starting 9/31/2024
- **PeeWee Skills Sessions: Jacob Semik, Rory Dolan**
 - 7:15 PM - 8:15 PM Mondays starting 09/30/2024
- **Bantam Skills Sessions: Jacob Semik, Rory Dolan**
 - 8:30 PM - 9:30 PM Mondays starting 09/30/2024
 - Motion to approve Squirt Skills, PeeWee Skills, Bantam Skills I Coaches by Kelly Klein, second by Joe Hoffman. Motion approved.

Travel Head Coaches:

- **Squirt Red: Ryan Pierce**
 - Motion to approve Squirt Red Travel Head Coach by Jess Smith, second by Stephanie Fueger. Motion approved.
 - **Assistant Coaches: Dave Sabatos, Jesse Schmitt, Brian Ehlers**
 - Motion to approve by Stephanie Fueger, second by Chad Wilwert. Motion approved.
 - **Manager: Curt Freihoefer**
 - Motion to approve by Molly Ties, second by Kelly Klein. Motion approved.
- **Squirt White: Jason Hubanks**
 - Motion to approve Squirt White Travel Coach by Chad Wilwert, second by Joe Hoffman. Motion approved.
 - **Assistant Coaches: Tim Tipple, Dustin Smith.**
 - Motion to approve by Stephanie Fueger, second by Kelly Klein. Motion approved.
 - **Manager: Kelly Klein**
 - Motion to approve by Dustin Smith, second by Joe Hoffman. Motion approved.
- **Squirt Black: Cody Lytle**
 - Motion by Kelly Klein to approve Cody Lytle as the head coach and Kyle Helbing as the assistant, second by Jess Smith. Motion approved.
Cody Lytle will abstain.

- **Assistant Coaches: Kyle Helbing, Matt Cavanagh, and Nate Fosbinder**
 - Motion to approve by Cody Lytle, second by Justin Muehlenkamp. Motion approved.
- **Manager: Ben Lent**
 - Motion to approve by Cody Lytle, second by Justin Muehlenkamp. Motion approved.
- **PeeWee Red: Zach Schultz**
 - Motion to approve PeeWee Red Travel Head Coach by Jess Smith, second by Cody Lytle. Chad Wilwert will abstain.
- **Assistant Coaches: Chad Wilwert, Chris Richman, Jamie Lund**
 - Motion to approve by Stephanie Fueger, second by Kelly Klein. Motion approved. Chad Wilwert Abstained.
- **Manager: Melissa Anderson, Matt Timmons**
 - Motion to approve by Chad Wilwert, second by Stephanie Fueger. Motion approved.
- **PeeWee White: Breydon Heminger**
 - Motion to approve PeeWee White Travel Head Coach by Justin Muehlenkamp via email, second by Chad Wilwert via email. Motion approved via email.
- **Assistant Coaches: Jeff Ronek, Patrick Monckton**
 - Motion to approve by Chad Wilwert, second by Cody Lytle. Motion approved.
- **Manager: Tanner Patterson**
 - Motion to approve by Chad Wilwert, second by Cody Lytle. Motion approved.
- **Bantam Red: Mark Plantery**
 - Motion to approve Bantam Red Travel Head Coach by Stephanie Fueger via email, second by Dustin Smith via email. Motion approved via email.
- **Assistant Coaches: Bjorn Hill, Tyler Henry**
 - Motion to approve by Stephanie Fueger, second by Dustin Smith. Motion approved.
- **Manager: Erica Freihoefer**
 - Motion to approve by Stephanie Fueger, second by Molly Ties. Motion approved.
- **Bantam White: Ryan Flesh**
 - Motion to approve Bantam White Travel Head Coach by Justin Muehlenkamp, second by Stephanie Fueger. Motion approved.

- **Assistant Coaches: Justin Sauser**

- Motion to approve by Justin Muehlenkamp, second by Molly Ties.
Motion approved.

- **Manager: Join Rasler**

- Motion to approve by Justin Muehlenkamp, second by Molly Ties.
Motion approved.

Season Schedule

- Skill sessions
- Any conflicts with high school, Saints or other activities for particular dates?
- **Regular week-to-week practice schedule**
 - Mite House: 10/27/2024 Sundays from 8:00-9:00 AM through 12/22/2024 (will not have practice on 12/15/2024) 10/27/2024 and 12/22/2024: 7:45-8:45 AM
 - Mite Upper House: 10/27/2024 Sundays from 8:00-9:00 AM through 12/22/2024 (will not have practice on 12/15/2024). 10/27/2024 and 12/22/2024: 7:45-8:45 AM

Little Blackhawks, Little Saints, Mite House and Upper House

- Expected to go live tomorrow 09/11/2024. Mark will gather confirmation on the program.
- Costs is \$149 per player, no additional cost beyond equipment: Mark to confirm with program.
 - Define age requirement
 - Exempt from fundraiser
 - If they have already registered as a Little Saint and want to now register through Little Blackhawks, those families will be reimbursed
 - Stephanie Fueger will put together a communication to be sent to parents that have already registered.
 - Possible in person registration night
- **Practices:** Little Saints and Little Blackhawks- Monday 10/28/2024 through 12/16/2024 (8 weeks) at 5:15 - 6:15PM
- Establish leads
- Equipment Rental Dates
 - Cody Lytle will be making another date now that schedules will be published

Community Events

- Halloween Parade – October 19, 2024
- Try Hockey for Free – Marketing through DCSD
 - Any other places
 - Other school districts

Cowbell Cup Update

- Provide dates to coaches
 - Dustin will send to Head Coaches once entered into TeamSnap.
- Any opportunities to piggyback with high school or other rink events

Tournaments for Teams

Evaluation Policy (to implement for future years?)

- Stephanie Fueger sent a draft for the Evaluation Policy for next year and going forward.

Team Pictures

- Jerseys should be in for pictures

Molly Ties motion to close the meeting at 9:45 PM, second by Justin Muehlenkamp.