

Blackhawk Hockey Association

Board Meeting

September 11th, 2024

7:00pm

Board Members Present: Allie Carroll, Rachel Spence, Billy Herman, Scott Kaiser, Mike Brandenburg, Ryan Anderson, Lucas Trickle, Amanda Sprague, Jodi Volgren, Andrew Carlson

Board Members Absent: Scott Peavey, Brent Rolling, Candace Sykora

Others Present:

Call to Order: 7:05 pm

Secretary's Report: Made a minor correction to one of the motions from August meeting

Motion to approve secretary's report

Motion: Lucas Trickle 2nd: Allie Carroll All in Favor - Passed

Treasurer's Report:

1. Checking as of 8/31 = \$183,846 (includes capital improvement fund of \$14,850)
2. Rinc Tec payment of \$24,850 made in Sept so will reflect in account next month.
3. Bank Loan 8/31 = \$13,627

Motion to approve financial reports.

Motion: Andrew Carlson 2nd: Lucas Trickle All in Favor - Passed

Old Business

Theft Update: Still TBD.

NEW BUSINESS

Update Handbook/Policies: Went through each page of the BHA Handbook. We made small modifications in different parts of the Handbook. We Increased Team Manager Hours from 15 to 20 - this needed approval - Send out communication to association that all concession shifts will be in the Winter Work Hours Dibs. (No approval needed, just send out communication)

Motion to approve increasing Manager volunteer hours received from 15 to 20

Motion: Amanda Sprague 2nd: Allie Carroll All in Favor - Passed

Remove 7.2 from Handbook regarding COVID mitigation policy

Motion to approve removing the COVID mitigation policy from our handbook
Motion: Allie Carroll 2nd: Jodi Volgren All in Favor - Passed

Committees:

Update Org Chart. Update Billy Herman to Building and Grounds chair. Ryan L is Hockey Director. Ryan A. is now updated to Communication Chair and update Ryan A. and Rachel for DIBs Chair. Advertising and Sales updated to Ryma. Golf Committee updated. Andrew and Candy staying for Bags. Deanna Bignell is the tournament director now. Mites and Membership remove Cal and Scott and add Brett Tiffany and Megan Wolf. Apparel remove Nate Nelson and add Allie in addition to Trickle. If other small businesses (Steve's Leading Ladies, Coffee and, etc.) want to put out gear they can do that. However we definitely need a Strauss order for coaches hockey pants, jackets, etc. Will add Ryan Anderson to Blackcat committee. Scheduling update to Trickle from Findlay. Rachel added as the Scholarship chair and removed Amy Peavey. D2 Liaison update to Adam Nelson.

Player Dev/Read&React:

Review Cost/approval for Read and React for Blackcats. Received communication on June 28th for the cost of the Read and React. Will build those within their normal practices every other Monday. This will be for U10, U12, and U14/16. It would range from \$3-3,750 for the total cost between the two associations. Goalie sessions are on Wednesday in RF, but we would pass as we have our own goalie coach.

Motion to approve to pay up to \$1,500 for Read and React
Motion: Billy Herman 2nd: Allie Carroll All in Favor - Passed

Goalie Policy (Cost):

Review Prior Policy. A parent reached out that we would offer a discount on registration if goalie's provide their own pads. We discussed this and the last year that was offered was 2017/18 and we will not be bringing this back. There is the hardship waiver option to offset costs if needed.

Player Release:

Vote on Nancy (7 - U8) and Barrett Klein (5 is Mite) Release to Hudson. They are attending an academy in Hudson, attend church in Hudson, and they live on the border of Roberts and Hudson.

Motion to Release Nancy and Barrett Klein to the Hudson association
Motion: Allie Carroll 2nd: Billy Herman All in Favor - 9 yes with 1 no

Mens League:

That we are ok with Zach still taking the Wednesday evening time slot. He is charging \$5 per person and caps it at 20 players a night. He uses Hockey finder with a charge of \$6, Hockey Finder gets \$1, and the association gets \$5. He would be ok with increasing the cost a little. Discussed increasing the Men's league fee to \$8 with \$7 per player going to the association. This goes September-April and the funds go directly into our account.

New Hockey Equip Provider: We are going to start utilizing a 2nd hockey equipment provider.

COMMITTEES

- Building & Grounds:** Update on Rink Tec work and final payment. They have finished their work and final payment was sent. Now we are waiting on the filter screens.
- For doors, we are still having issues with not being able to open with the FOB or remote. Per Mar came out and provided some recommendations on the firmware being too old, so they updated that. They also provided some recommendations on a few other things. We are also going to try getting a quote for new West doors and the compressor door. Get a quote to replace the two doors we use the most on the West and the Compressor doors also quote if we replace all 4 doors on the West side. Brezina looked into it and now have it set up that if you have a FOB you will have your name reflected if you use it to open doors.
- We also need new rings for the Sparx machine.
- Motion to approve purchase of 12 new Fire Rings up to \$925*
Motion: Allie Carroll 2nd: Scott Kaiser All in Favor - Passed
- Coaches:** Update on coaches/applications. Need to get info over to Jodi. They interviewed the Junior Gold coach.
- Only need tryouts for squirts. We may move up a couple of mites as two teams of 11 could be tough. We will only have 1 PeeWee and 1 Bantam team.
- Concessions:** New paper towel dispensers are in and are working. Some new menu items and some of the prices were updated with the retail cost going up. Will have Starbuck coffee, tornados, new candy, etc. Have started using the \$500 approved last meeting. We have new tupperware and the 2nd pizza oven. We took two lockers out of the coaches room and put it in the concessions to keep things locked up, only 2 people have keys.
- Fundraising:** Pizza Fundraiser continues, potential for fundraiser at Garage Bar. Rachel/Candy will follow up with Kim to get more details on the Garage Bar fundraiser.
- Mites & Membership:** LPH is running with 30 skaters and Mite Camp are happening now. Will discuss Mite checking account the next meeting.
- Scholarship:** Need to update the Committee - Completed
- Finance:** Insurance "shopping" updates - This will be tabled for next meeting

Scheduling: NA

RFYA/BHA Girls Co-Op: Meeting is on Monday the 16th. U14 will have 15, U16 will have 11 (10 skaters and 1 goalie). There is some discussion around that being too few players at both levels and what options we might have available. We also want to bring up ,at the Blackcat committee meeting, that we will have some practices on Wednesdays. 3 U8 approved to move up (1 from RF and 2 from BHA). with 38 BHA girls total. The numbers for girls only from BHA is U10 is at 17, U12 are at 16, U14 are at 3, and U16 are at 2

Communication/Website: NA

Additional:

Board Liaisons

D2: Scheduling under way and D2 levels submitted. RF has everything for their tournaments. We have all D2 dates ready to go with black out dates so it depends on what we get. We will have some Wednesday practices because we need to. It isn't ideal, but based on ice schedule we need to. Temporary D2 levels have been submitted. For squirts will do B2 and C. Bantam and PeeWee are both B2. The D2 rules are not being followed through on them. 6-8 teams only at the A level. Somerset went with B1 and two C teams. They didn't fill every level. The rules laid it out at that every level needs to be filled at A, B1, B2, and C. However that didn't happen.

Tournament Coordinators: Only missing two teams

Mite/LPH - Scott Kaiser:

U10 - Amanda Sprague:

Squirt - Rachel Spence: Try Outs Sept 23 and Sept 26 7-8 p.m.

U12 - Mike Brandenburg:

PeeWee - Scott Peavey:

U14 - Andrew Carlson:

Bantam - Brent Rolling:

U16 - Ryan Anderson:

Next Meeting: October 9th, 2024

Adjourn: 9:31 pm

Motion: Lucas Trickle 2nd: Jodi Volgren

All in favor - passed