

July 14, 2024

Havre Youth Hockey July Board of Directors Meeting

Attendance: Amanda Hamilton, Jared Boyce, Chad Cole, Andy Hanson, Justin Harken, Steve Steinmetz, Michele Beck, Seth Hamilton, Jessica Harken, Chris Herring, Angela Toldness, Eric McLain, Ryan Riley, Krystal Steinmetz

6:37 pm – Meeting is called to order

Items to add to the agenda:

- Justin would like to discuss holding a Cornhole Tournament at the rink as a fundraiser for HYHA
- Amanda would like to discuss the Great Falls American game that is scheduled for January 29th at the Ice Dome
- Kayla is resigning as Secretary, will post the position to the association

Public Comment:

No public comment was given.

Approval of Minutes:

Andy motioned to approve the minutes of the June 9th, 2024 meeting. Justin seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.

Financial Report:

- Englebretson not in attendance. No report given
- Justin found a new sponsor and connected them with Englebretson to complete application
- Need to follow up with Best Western on non-payment, and sign a new contract. If not, sign will be removed

Rink Report:

- Havre Fish & Game excited to hold their event at the rink, Lights Out will be held August 24th, possible Cornhole Tournament held at the rink before ice is in. Looking to start ice the first week of October.
- Roger is resigning his role as dual rink manager, will post to association for an assistant rink manager position.

Concessions Report:

- Michele has an email in to Coca-Cola to switch back to fountain pop
- Michele will work with Eric & Cody on new countertops once Coca-Cola has switched back to fountain pop

MAHA Report:

- Eric attended the June MAHA Meeting in Butte, this is the information he learned while there:
 - o Potential State Tournament Dates: 10U Feb 7-9 or Feb 14-16, 14U Girls Feb 7-9 or Feb 14-16, 12U Feb 21-23, 19U Girls Feb 21-23, 14U Feb 28-Mar 2, HS Mar 7-9
 - o New High School Structure Proposal – MAHA should be voting on next week
 - Same as previous season
 - One True JV League, One True Varsity League
 - Two JV Leagues (A & B), One Varsity League
 - o MAHA passed to use a new scoring system for Live Scoring during games (12U and up)
 - App is called Game Sheet – MAHA to cover half of the expensive this season for all associations
 - o There are new spots open within MAHA if anyone is interested: Girls Commissioner, Tournament Director
 - o New award is added this year for all associations – Association of the Year Award

- No criteria at this time
- Potential for a monetary prize for the winner

Referee Report:

- Chris will be attending the Zoom Meeting being held this Wednesday, July 17th by the state to review any changes for the upcoming season

Coach in Chief Report:

- Ryan sent the submitted applications to the Coaching Committee to review applicants and met twice with the committee to review applications
- Ryan will continue to keep an eye on the coaches CEP, SafeSport, and Background check dates so we are ready for the start of the season
 - Not sure how CEP will work this year, and Continuing Ed credits are still confusing on whole needs to complete and when
- Submitted recommendations to the Board for review and approval
- Chad motions to hold an Executive Meeting following the Board Meeting to further discuss the coaching recommendations presented by Ryan. Andy seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.

Safe Sport Report:

- Angela informed the board that Havre and Billings have been selected to pilot a new Locker Room Monitor program
 - There will be a QR Code that must be scanned prior to any kids entering the locker room and scanned again when everyone has left the locker room.
 - This will be tracked by SafeSport
- Fines have increased for Locker Room violations
 - 1st Violation = \$250 Fine to the Association, 1 Game Suspension to the Head Coach
 - 2nd Violation = \$500 Fine to the Association, 2 Game Suspension to the Head Coach
 - 3rd Violation = hiring with SafeSport board which could lead to fines, suspensions, and post season hirings.
- Will need to have discussions during the Team Meetings this season to ensure parents and players understand the updated Locker Room policies for all age groups

Registrar Report:

- Jessica reports that there are currently 30+ kids registered for the next season
- Will work on getting access to the Facebook group to be more diligent about getting registration information out to everyone.

Fundraising Report:

- Jenna not in attendance, no report given.

Old Business:

- Justin Scott Camp & Sessions for 2024-2025
 - Amanda will let Justin Scott know that October 11-13th dates are best and will coordinate on fees for the camp

New Business:

- Great Falls Americans Game at the Ice Dome
 - January 29th (Wednesday) will be blackout for practices

- Coach of the Americans would like to speak with the Board before bringing team up to discuss details of the night and walk through the facility
- Amanda will reach out to see if they can meet on August 11th prior to the Board Meeting.
- Renew Contractions
 - Justin motions to raise Michele's contract by \$150, totaling her compensation to \$650. Chad seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.
 - Jared motions to raise Seth's contract by \$200, totaling his compensation to \$1400. Justin seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.
 - Chad motions to send out the applications for the Secretary position and an Assistant Rink Manager position to the association, with a deadline of August 9th.
- Cornhole Tournament
 - Looking to hold the tournament Sept 13-14th
 - Justin requested that Michele open concessions during the tournament, starting Friday Evening, and all-day Saturday. Michele agreed and will coordinate her own support to run concessions.
 - Looking into a Non-Profit that can support the liquor license and will also hold additional raffles and games to help raise money for the association.
 - Chad motions to approve the Cornhole Tournament as a fundraiser for HYHA. Jared seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.

Guests:

- Hi-Line Curling – Not in attendance
 - Amanda has made the updates to their contract and will send to the Curling Association for review
- Team Managers – No comment
- Public Comment – No comment

Adjourn:

- Chad motions to adjourn the meeting. Andy seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.

Next meeting is Sunday, August 11th at 6:30 pm at the Ice Dome.