

Green Bay Area Youth Hockey Association Board Meeting Minutes

ate:		Time:		Place:	
August 13, 2024		7:00 PM – 9:01 PM		Rinkside Room/Cornerstone	
Meeting Called By:			Type of Meeting:		
GBAYHA Board of Directors			GBAYHA Monthly Meeting		
Meeting Facilitator:			Notetaker:		
Nick Glander			Nick Maricque		
Board Attendees:					
Jenny Blodgett*		Kelly Losey*		Natalie Mitchell	
Tori Szkodzinski*		Christian Bialk*		Dove McDowell	
Nick Maricque*		Jessica Kimps*		Nicole Smith	
Nick Glander*		Amanda Sargent		Nathan Conoley	
				*current term ends April 8, 2025	
Joey Gerarden – Hockey Director			Mike Szkodzinski – Cornerstone Rep		
Guest Attendees:					
Meeting Topics					
Topic:	Presenter:	Notes			
Call to Order Roll Call	Nick G.	Nick @ 7:00			
Approve Agenda	Nick G.	1 st - Natalie 2 nd - Jessica All in favor, none opposed.			
Approve Prior Meeting Minutes	Nick G.	1 st - Amanda 2 nd - Jenny All in favor, none opposed.			
Raffle Ticket Drawing Winners	Nick G.	All \$50 winners 1. Mekan Budzinski 0222 2. Sarah Golden 3340 3. Tiffany Penegor 209 4. Duane Nicely 1067 Picture completed and email sent to Jayne Sharka			
Presidents Update	Nick G.	Annual WAHA President’s Meeting – August 1-2, 2024, Stevens Point. <ul style="list-style-type: none">Region 3 WAHA Rep. Todd Wagner – Sheboygan – re-elected.Key Takeaways –<ul style="list-style-type: none">Neck Laceration Protection (Neck Guards)<ul style="list-style-type: none">Required as of August 1st for all youth, HS, Jr players, 18U referees.USAH and HECC still finalizing requirements, but will follow Canada’s established requirements.Neck Guards should say BNQ (Bureau de normalisation du Québec) Approved. Then should comply with USAH / HECC.10U Team Size<ul style="list-style-type: none">If an 8U player playing up, then team sizes are capped at 14 players max.GameSheets<ul style="list-style-type: none">\$145 per team this season. WAHA will refund 50% this season.State Tournaments –<ul style="list-style-type: none">10U Co-ed / 12U Girls – March 1-212U Co-ed / 10U Girls – March 8-914U Co-ed / 14U Girls – February 22-23			

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Girls Growth Initiative Grant Girls Teams - Goal = To Get More Girl Teams <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8U Girls Part Time team: eligible for a \$300 grant (maximum 2 years) 8U Girls Full Time team: eligible for a \$500 grant (maximum 3 years) Both 8U & 10U Girls Full Time team: eligible for a \$1000 grant (1 year) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If we go to a full time girl team, can the girls come from De Pere to help with numbers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> De Pere might want to start a girls 8u team <p>Cornerstone Rink 4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Groundbreaking Ceremony scheduled for August 27 – 11 AM. If available, come and bring kids in GBAYHA apparel. Executive Board should be present. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nick M won't be able to attend - Back to School
Cornerstone Update	Joe Gerarden	<p>Joe update in Mike's absence</p> <p>Checking clinic coming up</p> <p>Gamblers coming</p>
Director of Hockey	Joey Gerarden	<p>Coaching Committee Update – Meeting August 12th.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Girls will be on a week, off a week Warm-up schedule should be posted next week <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Don on vacation this week Practices <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mites & Peewees - Mon & Wed Squirts & Bantams - Tues & Thurs <p>Tentative Start of Season Schedule</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Warm-up skate weeks Sept. 9th and 16th weeks Tryout Week – Sept. 23rd week <p>Team Size (tentatively)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4 - 10u coed 4 - 12u coed 2 - 14u coed 1 - 10u 2 - 12u 2 - 14u Possibly 1 8u girls team GBAYHA will maintain 3rd sheet during the 5pm hour that was for mites to use for goalies and skills. <p>Warm-up Idea:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hockey Directors and on-ice coaches discretion. Coaches/Volunteers need to be up to date on USA Hockey <p>16U Bobcats Fall Program – Similar to the 18U Bobcats.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Joe is coaching the team. <p>“A” Coaches – are being finalized.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coaches won't be announced before warm-ups.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A lot depends on player placement. • Joe has asked outside evaluators to come in. • Still encouraging coaches to sign up. • 14U Co-Ed A Coach - Hunter Mans – non parent coach. • 14U Co-Ed B Coach - Nolan Meles – non parent coach.
New Business	Nick G.	<p>Open Committees Positions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steve Linssen – (school administrator) added to Conduct Committee after conversation with Megan Pfarr. • Jeremiah Muenhow – Has taken the goalie equipment lead. • Joni is interested in Volunteer Hr Coordinator, if Concessions goes away. <p><u>Committee Update –</u></p> <p>Fundraising – Chair – Dove M.</p> <p>GBAYHA Fundraising for Rink 4 –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kick-off. • End-of year party • Need to start gathering auction items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Cole Caulfield signed item – Completed Nick G. ○ Joe Pavelski signed item – Completed Nick G. • Week of warmups <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Food Trucks ○ Beer Tent <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Volunteers needed • Talking with Odyssey Climbing about team building • Restaurant Nights <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Chipotle ○ Scott Subs ○ Panera Bread <p>Apparel –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nicole Smith Update / Website • Mark-up charge = \$5.00 • Approval <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1st - Jessie Pondell ○ 2nd - Tori Szkodzinski ○ All in favor, none opposed. • Open = Few weeks • Close Date = Sept 15th • Logistics need to be worked out on pick-up • Second window - End of October / Beginning of November • Goal – small adjustments to keep things fresh. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Possible Shipping Charge? • Jenny Blodgett will accept and dispense to Team Managers. <p>Gamblers 50/50 Raffle – January 25, 2025.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need volunteers <p>Calendar Raffle</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waiting on numbers to know how many to order <p>Gamblers Fundraising Option</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Series of exhibition games at Cornerstone. (Gamblers, Waterloo, Madison, Muskegon). • 9/12 @ 3:30PM – Madison vs Muskegon / 7PM – Waterloo vs GB • 9/13 @ 3PM – Waterloo vs Muskegon / 7PM -Madison vs GB

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9/4 • 9/5 • 9/6 • Beer liquor license submitted. • Looking into 50/50 <p>Tournament Change</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Due to state tournament, home tournaments have changed <p>Registrars / WAHA – Chair – Natalie M</p> <p>2024-25 Registration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Status Update. • Natalie concern is 14u girls • Similar families haven't signed up as last year until last minute • 4 skaters haven't paid from last year <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 2 are second year squirts • Natalie in contact with financial release • 2 girls coming over from De Pere • Some out of district players that are trying out <p>Growth Committee – Nathan Conoley</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual Parents' meeting – Leads? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Conduct Committee will speak on process. ○ New Rules ○ No to data from survey ○ Tori talk about budget ○ Push for Script - Ask Kevin to come ○ Team expectations - Score Keeper, Clock, Music, Penalty Box ○ Need to volunteer for the home tournament ○ 8u have a separate meeting ○ Dates - Week of Sept 23rd during Tryouts
Old Business	Nick G.	<p>Concession Stand</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boomerang willing to take over. • 10% profits to GBAYHA • Will lease the equipment in the concession stand from GBAYHA. Rate will be based on the age of equipment has some of it is 20-25 years old. • Also looking at selling beer during tournaments at Rink 3 concessions stand to contain area. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Alcohol kick-back to GBAYHA will be an agreement between Cornerstone and GBAYHA. ○ Still discussions on if Boomerang will get their own license or if they will use ours. If they use ours, we can negotiate that fee as well. • Contract being drafted. Plan to start Sept 1. GBAYHA will look at contract. • Tori - shared budget from concession stand sales <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Pay \$110 per person to cover lost income ○ Nicole - asked what rent is for BlueLine ○ Tori suggests 10% of Blue Line & concession stands ○ Amanda - suggests agreeing now because we may not get offer for the future ○ Other associations do not run concession stands... so how do they do volunteer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Need to start building the budget • Motion to get rid of the concession stand to move down the path to have Boomerang to take over, on the contingency that it is favorable... • 1st - Tori • 2nd - Amanda

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In Favor - 11 <p>Volunteer Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dropping hours to 6 hours per skater (10u and up) (placeholder) and 3 hours for Mites How many volunteer hours do we need. Board will need to brainstorm on volunteer hours for members. <p>GBAYHA Positions – Chair - ? AWAY Tournament Scheduler –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lead – Kelly Losey Tournaments are starting to be posted. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chippewa Valley - Weekend of Jan 24 (all girls) Peewee & Squirt C teams going to Verona Still looking for A & B teams away Looking for 1 away tournament per team. Cost, logistics. <p>Home Tournament Change – Bantam B Team Tournament – Will be moved to Jan. 25th.</p> <p>Grant Opportunities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> WAHA Grassroots Grant – Due Sept 1st. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$1K grant with 30 grants approved. Lead – Nick Glander
Treasurer’s Report	Tori	Cornerstone Ice Rate Increase - \$262 per hr.
Closed Session	Nick G.	<p>Motion to Enter Closed Session</p> <p>NONE</p>
Motion to Adjourn		<p>Motion to adjourn at 9:01 pm</p> <p>1st: Nicole Smith</p> <p>2nd: Jessica Kimps</p> <p>All in favor, none opposed</p>
NEXT BOARD MEETING – TUESDAY – September 10, 2024 – 7PM		

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Committees/Positions	2024-25 Leader Name(s)	Additional Comments
Hockey Operations / Coaching Committee		
Hockey Director	Joey Gerarden	
Fundraising - Chair – Dove McDowell		
GBAYHA Fundraising	Dove McDowell / Kelly Losey	
Tournament Raffle Coordinator	Amanda Aplin Sara Vaessen	
Scripts Coordinator	Kevin Laurent – Transition to Melissa Phillips	
Calendar Raffle	Shane Streckenbach / Tami Prucha	Need someone to shadow for handoff for 2025-26 season.
50/50 Gambler game	Amanda Aplin Sara Vaessen	
Apparel	Nicole Smith	Andy Cote – Assist
Registrars / WAHA Compliance – Chair – Natalie Mitchell		
Registrar	Amanda- Finance Natalie Mitchell- all other things	
Safety Coordinator	Christian Bialk	
Cultural Education Liaison	Natalie Mitchell	
Conduct Committee	Megan (Chair) Mike Kowalczyk Steve Linssen	Megan (Chair) willing to stay on for another year to mentor future Chair.
Growth Committee – Chair - Nathan Conoley		
Youth Girls Growth Liaison	Jessie Pondell	
Youth Boys Growth Liaison	Nathan Conoley	
Cultural Growth	Jessie Pondell, Nathan Conoley, Natalie Mitchel.	
Try Hockey for Free Coordinator	Nathan Conoley	
8U Mites Liaison	OPEN	
Volunteer Hours Coordinator – Chair – Joni Gegare		
Volunteer Hours / Credits	8U - Abbie Gazella 10U – 14U – OPEN – Joni Gegare	
Concession Stand	Joni Gegare	
GBAYHA Positions – Chair - OPEN		
Manager & Locker Room Coordinator	Jenny Blodgett	
Goalie Equipment	Jeremiah Muenhow	
Equipment/Jerseys	Amber Baugnet	
Tournament Coordinator	Kevin Leigang	