

SSYHA Board Meeting Minutes
February 24th, 2024 – 12:00 pm
1901 Pine Grove Rd, Ste 101

- I. **Present:** Kerry Shea (KS), Dana Patten (DP), Jen Spelshaus (JS), Sean Benderly (SB), Jeff Rodriguez (JR), and Jason Lacy (JL). Also present were staff Ryan Dingle (RD), Jake Werner (JBW), and Ally Gray (AG). **Absent:** Jeff Walsh (JW)
- II. Call to Order – 12:04 - KS
- III. Approve January Minutes
 - a. SB motions to approve, JL seconds
 - b. Minutes approved
- IV. Public comment, if any, for items not on the agenda.
 - a. Please limit public comment to 3 minutes per person.
 - i. No public comment
- V. Financials – DP
 - a. Income – Spring hockey registrations, Intro to Hockey upcoming
 - i. Small amount of advertising outstanding
 - ii. Looking on track for registration income
 - b. Expenses – Ref Fees, Ice Time, Audit, Legal Consultation
 - i. Expenses seem to be coming in under budget
 - c. Audit
 - i. Received draft from the auditor regarding financials
 - 1. Overall very good, asked for one small adjustment with endowment interest
 - 2. Good expense ratio – 6 months of operating expenses in reserve
 - a. Program expense ratio – 82%
 - 3. Good fundraising efficiency ratio
 - 4. Minimal potential for fraud, everything well documented
 - 5. Next step is how package information for distribution
 - d. Taxes
 - i. Extension filed
 - 1. One hang up with YVCF endowment
 - a. Our money is bundled with other funds, creating some questions that are being investigated
 - e. Chicks with Sticks donation - KS
 - i. Plan to move half of the future profits into the endowment to continue replenishing

VI. Director's Report – RD

- a. Spring League
 - i. Registration is \$150 across the board
 - ii. 67 Registered, 41 at this time last year
 - 1. Last year had 158 registered
- b. Managers and Coaches Happy Hour
 - i. Have done it at the Commons in past years
 - ii. Also have included high level sponsors
- c. Graduating Mite Scrimmage
 - i. Game with the 10U B's for Mites moving up next year
 - ii. Follows up a very positive Mite Tournament in Grand Junction
- d. League Playoffs
 - i. 12U A and 10U Girls finished runners up
 - 1. Both teams also qualified for States
- e. Mountain Select
 - i. Spring Tryouts – Grand Junction- March 28th
 - ii. 19U and 14U Girls both made finals of Tier II State Playoffs
 - 1. Both also qualified for district playoffs in Dallas

VII. Operations – JBW

- a. Scholarships
 - i. 1 student confirmed to have applied so far
 - ii. Committee – Jeff R, Kerry, Dana
 - iii. Looking to schedule interviews in early April
- b. Minutes
 - i. Discussion on best practices for minute taking

VIII. Tournaments & Events – AG

- a. 19U Senior Night
 - i. Chuck a Puck fundraiser – raised money to add to Chicks with Sticks donation
 - ii. Positive to see 15U and 12U Girls involved as well - KS
- b. Adele Banquet – Next week
 - i. Dialing in food/refreshments
 - ii. Working to manage length of banquet
- c. Lodging
 - i. Holiday Inn – Agreed to a 10% commission
 - 1. Will provide room blocks for tournaments at a standard rate
 - 2. Have been added to lodging page on the website
 - 3. Will have to navigate the commission for taxes/income
 - ii. Four Seasons – Extended to next year due to lack of traffic/income
 - 1. Looking for ways to increase traffic to them
 - iii. Discussions about tournament and lodging practices going forward
 - 1. Ways to work with and find lodging partners

2. Lodging survey ideas
 - a. Lots of complaints about high prices for lodging
3. Mite Jam on MLK

IX. Board Seat Updates

- a. Coed – JL
 - i. Some additional negative feedback about 12U Goalie situations
 - ii. Some positive feedback from 14U double rostered player families
 1. Preferred 14U to JV program in general
- b. Foundations – JS
 - i. Mite Tournament in Grand Junction was positive
- c. Girls – JR
 - i. Discussion about Girls coaching groups

X. Old Business - KS

- a. Year End Survey
 - i. Discussion on when to send out
 1. Mid to Late March
 - ii. Review of survey questions
- b. Spring General Membership Meeting
 - i. Tentative Date – May 7th at the rink
- c. Elections – Sean, Jason, Jeff W, Dana have seats up for re-election
- d. Second Sheet
 - i. Presentation to City Council scheduled for March 11th
 1. Working with other user groups on presentation
 2. Asking to restart fundraising agreement with city
- e. CAHA
 - i. Annual meeting in April
 1. President is not running for re-election
 - a. Possibly term limited
 - ii. Discussion of State playoff schedules and formats

XI. New Business - KS

- a. Pete Van de Carr
 - i. Involved in both Adult and Youth hockey in Steamboat
 - ii. Suggestion to memorialize Pete with our High School scholarships
 1. Idea for a scholarship for a youth player
 2. Idea to involve the family in the scholarship process
 - iii. Memorial service is at the rink on Thursday afternoon
- b. Volunteer of the Year Award
 - i. Could potentially present at the Spring Meeting

- XII. Next Month's Meeting
 - a. March 26th – 12:00pm
 - b. April – 16th - Tentative

- XIII. Adjournment – 1:38pm – KS
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