



Fox Valley Youth Hockey Association **BLADES**

The Fox Valley Youth Hockey Association (FVYHA)'s mission is to give youth ages 4 to 15 the opportunity to develop character, sportsmanship and teamwork skills through the sport of hockey.

January 2024 Board Meeting Agenda

Meeting date and time: 1/18/2023 at 6:30 PM

Location: TCIA Party Room

Roll Call

David Fieber (President)
Nick Miller (Vice President)
Kammi Pelant (Secretary)
Justin Plutz (Treasurer)
Stacy Dake (Registrar)
Brian Danz (IP Director)
Kevin Grater (Co-Director of Hockey)
Derek Schelch (Co-Director of Hockey)
Jon Otto (Scheduler)
Kristy Borroughs (Volunteer/Website Coordinator)
Erika Fye (Mite Director)
Sam Hawkinson (Squirt Director and Tournament Director)
Hannah Scholl (PeeWee Director)
Fred Wilkins (Bantam Director)
Annie Marsh (Growth Coordinator)
Tara Corneill (Fundraising/SCRIP Coordinator)
Andrea Schilling (Fundraising/SCRIP Coordinator)
Dan Fye (Sponsor Coordinator)
Bret Hamer (Safety Coordinator)

ABSENT

Jon Otto
Brian Danz
Derek Schelch
Dan Fye
Bret Hamer

Members: Nikki Abdo

Called to order at 6:35 Dave Fieber

BOARD MEETING

- **APPLETON ICE. DISCUSSION:** *Time allotted | 15 min|*
 - *If Appleton is un-skatable - Bantam A will be held here. They have suffered rough ice at AFIC throughout the season.*
- **MEMBER COMMENTS:** *Time allotted | 10 min*
 - NA
- **RECOGNITIONS:** *Time allotted | 3 min|*

- Sam and Troy Hawkinson for the tournament
- Dan E for his 16-18 hour days; I don't think I saw him sit once. Including loading an outdoor rink into someone's vehicle and ensuring it would make it to its destination unharmed.
- Dan T for braving the elements and being the best raffle drawer (we were so happy to see you back where you belong!)
- Justin Johnson of MaxAir for being the presenting sponsor
- Andy Heiling of BluePrint for donating all printing services
- Nick Miller for his organization, communication and tournament set up (he is the backbone to this tournament running well). In addition, support in sponsorship from NGE.
- Teryn Williams (& family) for all of her time and energy to the tournament as a whole, but especially to the concession stand
- Katie & Zach Boycks for showing up throughout all hours of the tournament (including 6:00 am donut pick up) & for Katie's smashing raffle basket & ODR raffle success
- Tournament committee members who secured donations & helped with set up
- All refs, who kept games safe and fun
 - Mite coaches: Allen, Bauer, Caruana, Geske, L'Esperance, Morales, Nielson, Niles, Sommerfeldt, Steffek, Tschirgi
 - PW Coaches: Adams, Coopman, Ewing, Scholl (Thanks PW A)
 - Bantam Coaches: Pelant & Watson
 - PW Skater: Max Morales
 - Bantam Skaters: Hudson Grater, Colton Pelant, Isaac Scholl, Phin Watson
- All volunteers who showed up for their post and did it with a smile!
 - Special thank you to Don Allen, Matt Caruana, Adam Geske, Rene L'Esperance, Isaiah Miller, Hannah Scholl, the Watson family and the Pelant family for their extra time and attention to the tournament

- **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Time allotted | 2 min |
 - Nick approved, Sam second. Everyone approved.

REPORTS

- **President's Update - David Fieber**
 - WAHA regional meeting for playdowns. No changes. Have gotten feedback from the President about fans/parents. There will be a reminder sent out about behavior conduct.
- **Vice President's Report – Nick Miller**
 - Blades Blast off going- schedule
 - Blades Bash- Megan Czosek would like an email set up for Blades Bash. Possibly Venmo. March 16th at Ridgeway. Would like start up \$1500. Nick asking , Hannah second, approved unanimous.
- **Registrar's Report – Stacy Dake**
 - Nothing to report
- **Treasurer's Report – Justin Plutz**
 - Finishing 990, 1090 finished. Working on distributions.
- **Fundraising/SCRIP Report – Tara Corneil/Andrea Schilling**
 - \$1496 Kwik Trip Secured
 - Renards for October of 2024
- **Volunteer Report & Website – Kristy Burroughs**
 - Records on who needs hours is complete
 - Members to need to approve hours prior to asking to donate hours as a suggestion

- **Growth Report – Annie Marsh**
 - *No parades, but focus on flyers during the Neenah Mc D's soccer in the fall.*
- **Scheduler Report - Jon Otto**
 - *Nothing to report*
- **Safety Coordinator- Bret Hamer**
 - *Nothing to report*
- **Director of Hockey Report – Kevin Grater/Derek Selch**
 - *Bantam A is a possibility for TCIA. Considering Bags and Banners. March 2 & 3rd. There would be volunteer opportunities if we do concessions and raffles.*
- **Age Directors' Reports - Time allotted | 15 min | Action required: please submit reports via email prior to meeting if possible.**
 - IP – Brian Danz
 - We had 21 new skaters start in the second session last week Thursday and one additional starting this week. This is by far the highest number of skaters we have had start during the second session . We also had 8 skaters move to U8 and U6
 - I am working with Matt Caruana to transition IP director duties for 2024-2025. Matt has been our Head Coach for IP the past 2 seasons. We also have an equipment manager identified. Stacy and I plan to continue to help next season.
 - U6 & U8 Mites – Erika Fye
 - Nothing to report
 - Squirt – Sam Hawkinson
 - Mite Winter Classic
 - NiceRink raffle - profit \$577.22
 - Raffles - profit \$3,224
 - Birth Cert
 - Bantam A state
 - Squirt Parent storage room question (Nick has a plan)
 - PeeWee – Hannah Scholl:
 - Crossbar tracking LRM
 - Meat Raffle→ thought for next year. Venmo? Too much cash to carry for Team Managers.
 - Bantams – Fred Wilkins
 - *Nothing to report*

OLD BUSINESS/DISCUSSION/VOTING ITEMS

- Recap of Mite Tournament~ went great
- Upcoming Tournaments~ possible Bantam A

NEW BUSINESS/VOTING ITEMS

- January Slapshot topics
 - Coaching info
 - Crossbar tips
 - Fundraising update
 - Coaching/team manager/locker room monitor info
 - Blades Bash
 - Volunteer opportunities for Bantam A tournament March 2 & 3 at AFIC
- Playdowns
 - Bantam C automatic Bid
- 2024-2025 Board Elections
 - 24-25 Voting Board positions: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Registrar, Director of Hockey, IP, 8U, 10U, 12U, 14U, 16U and Scheduler
 - Up for election this year: President, Treasurer, and all Age Directors (8U, 10U, 12U, 14U and 16U)
 - Action items:
 - Form committee
 - Nick Miller, Kammi Pelant and Annie Marsh
 - Gather bios (declarations of interest due Feb 10)
 - Host meeting (if needed)
 - Prepare ballot (using SurveyMonkey)
 - Gather list of email for both parents/guardians for each skater – Registrar/team managers
 - Determine election dates (must be a two week period between Feb. 15 and Mar. 15)

Meeting adjourned at 7:43 by Nick Miller, Stacy second

NEXT MEETING: February 15 6:30pm TBD