



Jackson Youth Hockey
PO Box 4822
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MINUTES

November 12 , 2024

Time: 6:00 pm

Location: 155 W Broadway

Board members present: Tyler Sinclair, Luke Smith, Kristen Mayo, Gavin Fine, Lizzie Heinekin, John Holland, Alia Harlan arrived later (LH took minutes)

Absent: n/a

Staff: Eric Ballard

Quorum: XX

Public Comment – N/A

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of the Minutes from Last Meeting-Motion Mayo; 2nd Holland, all in favor.
- III. Reports
 - A. Executive Director
 - *Tryouts went very well using Skill Shark software. Week one with Skill Shark allowed for real time metrics and reports with automated rankings. Week two using primitive method allowed for overlay of the two methods together with the same results. Smoothest tryout season in Ballard history with the program.
 - *Teams are off to a good start for the season. Bantam and Peewee B's are struggling a bit to get their footing. U19 girls are not a team without the U16 girls.
 - *Still sourcing additional assistant coaches. One new employee at Willow Street and some Moose Players are offering to assistant coach at home with no travel. Also maybe a coach in a golf pro from Teton Pines.

*Western Girls home tournament went really well. There was a food truck from Snake river Roasters for concessions which worked out really well.

*Gavin Fine offered the possibility of Fine Dining food truck service for future tournaments with a cut going to JYH

B. FundRaising Committee

*Fall Kick-off raised \$24K - 100 tickets were sold

*Heineken mentioned silent auctions are tired and we may need new ideas

*Fine suggested we tap other resources and business sponsorships over larger "angel" donations

*Ballard suggested he may know of a family willing to be the next "angel" donor for JYH.

C. Discipline Committee

*Varsity - racial slur - Ballard is setting the hearing date, expecting a rough sentence

*JV - match penalty - intent to injure - 30 days/10 games - hearing set for Thursday, Nov. 14. Parents made character recommendations.

*Disciplinary process: EB reaches out to parents about formal process and waits for marching orders from WAHL. WAHL doesn't have a formal process but creates a panel and joins a call with the alleged offender. The panel usually includes William Wheatley, Paul Brunner, and John Oman.

*PDC can make an additional ruling above and beyond WAHL if Board want to determine additional discipline is necessary internally (I.E. Repeat offenders).

*JYH needs "teeth" with development of an internal discipline procedure.

D. Financial Reports

*Mayo approved an additional scholarship application at 100%

*\$25,094 in total scholarships for 24-25 season

*One additional application pending the receipt of financial statements

*Current Liquidity is \$47K with an additional \$60K

Old Business

1. 2010 Call-ups

*54 total players b/t V, JV, Bantams - Varsity @ 20, JV @21 (9-10 call-ups from Bantams means more bodies at practice) Potentially 1 more player for JV. Heineken questioned validity of grade policies (Mike Hansen forwards grade checks to coaches and managers - players get a short grace period to make-up grades - JYH has no jurisdiction over Team WY for grade policies. PDC needs a written policy for grade discipline for consistency.

2. 24-25 Team managers

*All teams have at least one team manager

*Managers receive gifts from JYH (last year was a \$100 gift card and a Stio jacket at season end.

3. Coaching Update

- *Every team has at least one coach
- *Sinclair asked that we have a coaches meeting to lay out a consistent message to all coaches with a checklist, non-negotiables, discipline, programming guidelines, and a support structure)
- 4. Parent meetings
 - * Sinclair suggested we have parent meetings at every level before Thanksgiving.
 - *The Bantam parent meeting went well (TS,GF, Coach Hansen attended)
 - *Heineken mentioned that SafeSport coordinator (Devon) should attend
- 5. SafeSport
 - *Ballard mentioned that we can't ask anyone to take over SafeSport at the moment - too much liability
 - *No one is willing to take on this respon6 skates total/2 weeks, starting 10/1
 - *JYH needs a clean process with support staff and system

New Business

1. Goalie Clinics with Steve Thompson
 - *USA Hockey is fronting the cost for clinics
 - *One specialized training and one team practice integrating Coach Thompson
 - *Fine hosted a dinner for Steve and wife and EB entertained
 - *Hoping to make this annual
2. Board Member Applications
 - *Geese - applicant asked Ballard if he could do a reverse interview with Board
 - *7 applicants, maybe 4 spots. Ballard mentioned he prefers a smaller board
 - *GF and JH - Meetings with all using a sustainable consistent process for each applicant and will report back to the board
 - *Holland mentioned that we do our best to make a cultural fit w/ current members
 - *Holes in the board are fundraising, legal, younger players, non-parent
 - *Members made recommendations for and against certain applicants
 - 1) EB likes Harrup and Geese, no on Scolnick and Bryan
 - 2) AH likes Cavallaro
 - 3) Fine likes Geese
 - 4) Sinclair would like to see someone with board experience, business procedures
 - *Some are repeat applicants (Scolnick, Osler)
3. Home Tournaments
 - ☐ No girls home tournament - no weekends left when U16 can join U19
 - ☐ JV may not have home tournament - not enough interest - Ballard will look into adding a tournament somewhere else
4. Declaration for State
 - ☐ Not announced until December
 - ☐ JYH would have to reserve ice time regardless

- ☐ Costs about \$10K to host at the high school level - parents could fund raise in order to declare interest

Adjournment Motion Fine; 2nd Mayo, all in favor.

Next meeting date December 10, 155 W Broadway