

GLACIER HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Date: Dec 11, 2024 Time: 6:00 PM Mountain Time – came to order 6:45 pm Location: Stumptown Ice Den

Attendance: Amanda Hayes - Interim Director; Dave Perisho - Coaching Coordinator; Jesse Rigler - President; Matt Schwartz – Vice President; Heather Vezane – Treasurer; Brittney Crest – Secretary; Matt Lawrance – Girls Programming; Cristinna Gebbia (via zoom) – HDC; Susie Kalgren – Community Outreach; Derek Peachey – Fundraising; Roger Rudd - Disciplinary

A. Public Comment: none

B. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: <u>GHA Board Minutes</u> (Nov 13, 2024) Approved via email on 11/29/24.

C. Business:

<u>Old</u>: Hut Usage - GHA will pay Ice Den to clean every other week.

<u>New</u>: Coaches pay - Amanda will send out email to all coaches clarifying the payment schedule (half of their payment by the end of 2024 and then the other half at the end of the hockey season.) Beginning in January, coaches' attendance will be tracked on TeamSnap to base coaches pay on attendance.

D. Directors Report:

- Coach Update all coaches are up to date on CEP and rosters should be complete by Dec 31.
- EKL banner tournaments have NOT been scheduled (other than 14U) and will be discussed at the January EKL meeting.
- MAHA Girls Town Council girls hockey is doubling in growth; teams shared out what is working and not working. (GHA shared the benefits of using 'blackout' dates for girls tournaments before scheduling began for the rest of GHA teams.)
- 10U Battle of the Border recap overall players were happy; GHA will be in the black, the numbers are still being run; as with previous years, it seems most tournament responsibility falls on a handful of parents, GHA will look at processes that can be created to help support parents moving forward.
- Learn to Play session #2 We have 20 players registered. Board approved \$25/coach/session.
- Junior Coaches Program this was the first week, we will have no more than 2 junior coaches per practice; Amanda is working with Fusion players; Junior coaches will be evaluated by head coaches as they go to be sure it is a good fit.



- GHA Team Store a new online link on our website will sell merchandise through Universal Athletics where GHA will also get 10% donated back.
- State tournament bid is submitted.
- Next Try hockey for free is in February. Amanda to look into re-supplying our gear room.
- Spring 3 x 3 ice has been reserved.

E. Committee Reports:

- Executive Board discussed needed requirements for being GHA's Executive Director; the position is broken down into two pillars: Hockey background and Business background. Moving forward the executive committee will meet to lay out the responsibilities needed in each pillar.
- Disciplinary Amanda working with coaches to provide support for a specific bullying issue. Amanda praised the coaches for doing all of the correct processes.
- Community Outreach/Marketing Girls hockey will be caroling downtown; GHA will have a float in the Winter Parade in Whitefish in February.
- Fundraising there are 4 tiers of corporate sponsorship; Stumptown has 5 boards available to sell.
- Tournaments will meet in January to focus on Mites Battle of the Border.
- Girls Hockey working to develop a mentorship program between the U19 girls and the younger girls team.

F. Treasurer/Financial Report:

Amanda is searching for the final receipts from the previous director to close out October and November. Is also currently doing our quarterly taxes. Amanda will have the financials caught up before the end of the year.

Balance Sheet: no update from last meeting.

P&L Report: no update from last meeting.

Meeting Adjourned at: 8:15pm

Next Meeting(s): Jan 15, 2025 6:00pm Feb 12, 2025 6:00pm Mar 12, 2025 6:00pm Apr 9, 2025 6:00pm