

**Board Meeting-
Tuesday, July 8, 2025
SIA party room - 6:00pm**



Attendance - Nicole, Jen, Darcy, Chrissy, Elisabeth, Tom, Randi, Chris Blane

Absent - Rhonda, Katie, Meg, Tony, Chris Foley

Minutes taken by: Elisabeth Schreiber

Agenda/New Business

Finances overview [Blane]:

No updates. Darcy will withdraw cash to use for change for the golf outing.

Outfitting [Rhonda]:

- Beach towels will be ordered shortly
 - Can we add a picture for socials of the beach towels? Would encourage people to sign up early.
- Inquiry sent as to current custom glove order count - Rhonda will update once she receives that information.
- Rhonda is working with Jerry's to solidify outfitting dates (1 early date for girls, two additional for co-ed). Dates TBA once confirmed.

Ice Updates [Jen]:

- Working with Tom to get coaches assigned so blackout weeks can be noted.
- Plan to list the coaches on the website.
- Tommy is coaching all three girls teams.
- Schedules set through August.

Fundraising/Golf Outing [Chris / Darcy]:

Waters Edge -Saturday Aug 9th. 20 golfers, 10 hole sponsors. No full foursomes of kids. Ok with a parent.

Volunteers: Can we have Rice, Carmel Rita boys come to volunteer.

Check in, raffle tickets, loading golf carts, loading coolers on the holes, jello shots? Do we have to buy the beer from the course? Split the pot.

Tim—Do we need to deal w/ alcohol? What's included?

Need to get raffle tickets: Nicole to look/buy. 4 colors - two rolls each

Baskets: The Point [local bar] donated for 2 baskets.

Darcy to get change cash for baskets/raffles.

Managers [Chrissy]: Working on managers for girls teams (14, 16, 16/19). Managers will not be scheduling games or tournaments for the girls teams. Co-ed team managers will have to schedule Squirt & Pee wee. Mite scheduling is done by Jen/Randi.

Volunteers [Elisabeth]: Sign up genius was sent out for summer camps and girls. Very few volunteers

Social Media [Katie]: Shannon will post on FB while Katie is out of town. Request to create hyperlinks on the posts to make it easier to access programs, order links, etc.

Pre-Hockey (LTS / LTP) updates [Tony]:

- THFF - August 6, 2025 @SIA / 7:20 - 8:20pm
- Summer LTP/LTP session ends July 31st. [LTP - 35, LTS - 21]
- Will be holding a parents meeting on Thursday 7/17 for the pre-hockey group to talk about what St. Jude Fall has in store

- Tony will be sending out soon a "Save the Date" for our Clover Cup Jamboree to the clubs that attended last year.
- Items to purchase for ADM
 - (2) mite net Shooter Tutors [\$299.95 ea]---Blane to buy
 - look at options to replace some of the beat up black pads to divide the ice. Do we need to find a different/ cheaper option?
- Looking like (4) teams again in the CUHL
 - Rosters will be 12 to 13 kids plus goalie
 - 56ish total kids in the mite program
- I would like to use some of our free ice from USA hockey to schedule a "Skate with Coach Sean" ... our Top Mite teams hockey coach!! Sean can then have our other mite coaching staff on the ice to run some skills stations / powerskating and promote the 8U Mite program.

CSDHL

- Applications will be sent out by July 20th to clubs that completed the initial google sheet. Applications are due by August 23rd. Prospect division levels will be announced on September 1.
- League fees are \$1500 per team [this is \$200 more per team than NIHL cost last season].
- Scheduling grids will be released September 9th and November 1st.

NWHL

- No information has been sent out yet [per Wendy Bussie]. NH will continue to monitor emails and the NWHL website for any league updates.

Midwest Superior Girls Hockey League (NIHL) / Girls Teams

- Girls tryouts are completed. St. Jude will have 3 teams (14U, 16U, 19U) entered at National level.
- Season scheduling for these teams will be July 24-27 [will be completed online]
- League fees for 2025-2026: \$500 organization fee + \$800/team fee = \$2900
- Summer skill skates registration is open to girls @ 12U - 19U levels. Two slots being offered: 12U/14U and 16U/19U. Both slots are on Tuesdays July 8th - August 26th.

CUHL [Meg]

- Scheduling will be done by Jen & Randi.
- Changes on the import rule: Now, any kid can come to any team if that player has never played for a CUHL team before. So for example, a kid that does learn to skate/play at Arctic can still come to play for us and there are no number restrictions to how many can come here. If a player has played for a CUHL team, then it is still the 2 import rule per team. For example, a kid played for Vikings mite 1 but now wants to come to St. Jude for mite 2, he can as long as there are no more than 2 other players from the same club on that team.
- Try goalie for free clinic on July 27th at Arctic that is being run through AHAI.
- The officials will run like AHAI in a system. CUHL league will still do all the assignments.
- Fees are \$250 per team and \$1300 for officials for a total of \$1550 per team. Team counts are due by Aug 1st with payments. August 15th is when we can register for AAU. Final team declarations and payments are due August 27th. Seeding starts Sept 12th. Will be the same grid scheduling as last year. October 31st starts the regular season.

Registrar [Christine]

- Randi Burg has volunteered to take on the role of registrar. Chris will be working with her to assist in getting her set up for this fall season. She has created a new email that will be used for this role. As we move into the season, any questions regarding rosters will be sent to her at this email address: stjuderegistrar.randiburg@gmail.com.

Back to Rink:

Back to the rink event - we need start calling/setting and setting up

- Large Tent, tables, inflatables, bull, chairs: rental: confirmed by Chrissy, who will send invoice to exec board, obstacle course, basketball, football, bull approx \$1300: Chrissy to call, to send estimates to Exec Board: confirmed
- donated food->>>volunteers to cook: Darcy confirmed w/ McDonough for grill, Blane, McDonough, Whittinghams Jack & Pats donated last year: Chrissy to tell Shannon yes
- Ask Jen asked the Point: donate food, Rhonda to ask Fairplay, will need buns, chips, gatorade, candy
- Food boats from restaurant depot?
- DJ Dave signed contract, Inflatables signed contract
- Makayla Shaker Lemonade coming
- Cotton Candy lady coming: spin on site & containers, will create coozies/tumblers to sell
- Raffle Tickets
- Newly adding swag/shirt pressing at event
- Darcy to grab cash for change
- Raffle baskets, raffle Sox tix, St Jude swag, Blackhawks tickets
- Can we ask Ben if Tommy Hawk can come out?
- Can we have the high schools come?---Elisabeth to ask BR, Meg to ask Rita, Blane to ask Mt Carmel, Shannon to Marist
 - What about the girls? Southside team? Fenwick?

Rules and Ethics

- Ivan, Denny, Buzz—we need to clarify who is involved? Blane will ask Denny if he is coming back. We need a third person. Who can we ask? Dan VanDyke(?)
- Phones in locker rooms—violations need to be sent to Rules & Ethics. Look at purchasing cellphone jail
- Draft a cell phone policy for rostering day. Suspension on first incident.
- Clarify the Rules and Ethics process. So we can make it more transparent.

Miscellaneous

- Bantam: There have been parents inquiring about a bantam team for the fall. We do have a bantam goalie that signed up for fall focus.
 - Opening up a Bantam team registration for NWHL. Have some interest. If not enough, plan to refund families.
- Midgets: no team this fall. We will revisit this in the Spring to allow for better planning.
- Are we collaborating with P2G again? Do we want to invite them to the kickoff?
 - Darcy will follow up with Magnavite to set up P2G for fall season.
- There was some discussion last month regarding making volunteer hours required. In theory, this would be great. Issues we are facing are:
 1. We can't get volunteers to do check-in tables now; what do we do when people just pay and we are still in need of volunteers?
 2. How do we keep track of people actually completing volunteer hours?
 3. Volunteer fee? Number of hours required?

4. What counts towards volunteer hours?

- Not moving forward with Mandatory Volunteer Hours.
- Manager's closet/cabinet at OakLawn? Nicole will talk to Mike at OL. Need for iPad space
- Nicole will purchase an iPad this week.

The next meeting is planned for August 5, 2025 @ 6pm