



SYHA Board of Directors 4/10/2024 meeting minutes.

Attendees: Danni Anker, Jon Rademacher, Chris Johnson, Jillann Luth, Kim Conroy, Vanessa Breimhorst, Curt Zins, Erik Peterson, Becky Benson, Mary Pat Marschall, Jon Pherson, Jackie Grumish, Dereck Grosskurth, Josh Barrick, and Shana Meyer.

President Anker called meeting to order at 6:05pm, quorum was met.

First item, the previous meeting minutes from the February 7, 2024 and March 22, 2024 Board meetings were reviewed and approved.

Second item, elections of Board officers for 2024-2025 season. For the 2024-25 hockey season the following roles were voted on and passed by majority vote.

President: Chris Johnson

Vice President: Jon Rademacher

Treasurer: Jillann Luth

Secretary: Erik Peterson

Additionally, hockey committees for the upcoming season were discussed and will be finalized in future meetings following the confirmation of interest from current volunteers. Some current committee chairs have agreed to continue on, but the list has not been finalized.

Discussion was held regarding an update that is needed to further define the officer role descriptions. S. Meyer and E. Peterson will collaborate on updating these role descriptions which will be added to Operations Manual.

Third item, Treasury update, Treasurer Luth will email out March 2024 financials for review and approval.

Fourth item, Season review including 2023-24 Ice bills, 2024-25 hockey registration dates, meeting with Training Haus in April of 2024 for discussion on upcoming season, and past year travel level surveys that were conducted. Ice bills will be emailed out to teams at the conclusion of the plant fundraiser. An email will be sent out to association members as a reminder regarding the return of goalie equipment from this past season.

Fifth item, review of Travel HDC and upcoming year projections done by J. Rademacher. Reminder of the HDC meeting to be held on April 13, 2024. Discussed waiver up process and the potential of neutral evaluations taking place.

Review of Mite HDC done by Mitch Benson (via zoom) including coach evaluations, current results of the Mite level surveys that were completed, discussion of upcoming season player numbers, possibility of a M2 girls only team and discussion around any USA hockey exclusivity rules that would need to be considered.

Review of Girls HDC done by D. Grosskurth, including projections and outlook for the upcoming season and subsequent years. Still looking at options to increase the numbers of the current girls program and if there are any coop possibilities, if needed. In the event of any coop team, with Shakopee hosting Hockey Day Minnesota next year, those potential coop teams would wear Shakopee jerseys for the upcoming year.

Sixth item, motion to pay Kim Conroy \$103.00 for Jersey displays at the Spring Social meeting on March 22, 2024. Motion was passed by majority vote.

Seventh item, the gambling review and approval was tabled for future meeting.

Eighth item, updates given by the Mite Liaison, B. Benson. Shakopee has been chosen as a host site for the Little Wild program this season. Proposal to explore a possible Try Hockey with Mom event was discussed and will be further discussed at a future meeting to gauge interest. Discussed the need to pin down a date for the 2024 Mite Jamboree; discussion will continue next meeting. Explored other possibilities to get kids into hockey and what that may look like. These possibilities will be further discussed once the operating budget is released at the first Board meeting in August 2024.

Ninth item, discussed the creation of the Mikayla McCarvel Scholarship. Framework for the selection committee is still being ironed out as well as the criteria for selection. Scholarship is to be conducted through an application process and will be funded through concession sales. E. Peterson and J. Luth to research non-profit status compliance with establishing this scholarship. Will be discussed further at the first May meeting.

Tenth item, goalie coordinator, J. Pherson, gave updates regarding goalie equipment needs and what is currently available; an upcoming budget for equipment will be produced for the summer meetings. An update on the goalie room renovation was given and J. Pherson was commended for this renovation. The board has received a quote from Devenir for the upcoming 2024-2025 season. There was a discussion around extending the contract with Devenir but this was tabled for additional talks with Devenir on the needs of the Association and their current proposal.

Eleventh item, President C. Johnson gave an overview of Association fundraising efforts. Overall, concession sales were strong, and the plant/ice time fundraiser started strong but has leveled off. Reminder that ice bills will not be sent out until the conclusion of the plant/ice time fundraiser.

Twelfth item, J. Barrick gave a recap on ice time scheduling and reiterated that the contract with the city runs through August of 2027. The Association received 24 hours of ice time back from the city. Recommendations for the upcoming year included: setting the Junior Gold Tourney earlier in the year; scheduling other hosted tournaments as soon as possible in order to finalize the ice schedule; and possibly limiting the Mite tournament to 8 teams. He also proposed other areas to explore such as picking the Wild game viewing to be held in October or March so it does not interfere with the busiest ice time of the season and asked if there be a tolerance to explore using other ice areas for teams, if needed, depending on team numbers.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:37pm.

Next meeting is scheduled for May 1, 2024 at Tine Shed.