



September 2024 Meeting Minutes

Monday, September 16th, 2024
7:00 PM
ZOOM Conference

OPERATIONS / Katy Kaufmann

1. Call to Order – 1903
2. Roll Call – All Present
3. Approval of August 2024 Meeting minutes - Approved

SPECIAL GUEST / Meredith Wolf – Washington Capitals

- Executive Director of 1616, a US/CAN non profit – 1616.org
- Virtual Hockey Program for U13 players
- Research based to help with mental health/well being, coping skills on and off ice
- Helps to teach kids at a young age how to handle stress and difficult situations
- All virtually accessible – not school related – adults and family can attend too
- Delivers content every week until end of the year
 - Pro players share stories
- October 13th 2024 is launch day

COMMISSIONER UPDATE / Tom Crosson

- Update on playoff dates/locations:
 - Girls Playoffs – February 1-2, 2025 at Skate Frederick
 - Presidents Day Weekend, Feb 15-17, 2025 – EJ/AHF Playoffs
 - AA/Midgets/Others Playoffs – February 22-23, 2025 at Ashburn
 - 10U-14U UA, LA and Wales Playoffs – March 1-2, 2025 at Rockville
- Got PVAHA Grant that we can use to help offset cost of playoff ice
- Gamesheet reminder – Rosters are locked on purpose by us
 - To keep integrity over the roster
 - If you need changes made to roster please let Katy or I know and we can update for you
- Still looking to start and officials working group as we are approaching renegotiations

- To be able to openly discuss issues/concerns/things that might come up
- Please let Tom know if you are interested
- Possible thoughts on Jamboree for 8U UA
- Reminder use of officials in 8U games, not mandatory. Using coaches give players and coaches more opportunities for teaching and development on the ice at that time

REPORTS

TREASURER / Stacy Hart

- No new updates from IRS on taxes that have been sent in
- Team fees \$450/team – invoices delayed due to some team shifting
- Invoices sent to those teams that opted in for Gamesheet for non league games and missed meeting fees

PVAHA / Linda Jondo

- No report - Absent

SHOA / Steve Brown

- Contract ends April 2025
 - Negotiations will start around the new Year
- Neck guard rule – so far no issues being reported on neck guard compliance
- Working on pushing to get more refs
- Schedules starting to come in – once you have your schedule please send so we can coordinate refs
- Looking at concerns/complaints in reference to same refs/same rink consistently
 - Harder to get refs to go to rinks such as Waldorf, Easton, Ion
- Working on setting up a google feedback form to help with communications and suggestions for improvements
- Need to improve communication between refs and coaches
- Staff – Chris will be still working on the management side
 - Bud will be operations – game reports and working closely with Bill
- Again, if able to have games during the weekdays that would help with reffing, so consider if able

SCHEDULING / Mike Lyons

- No report - Absent

GIRLS HOCKEY / Pat Wildman

- Girls THFF Day was September 14th
 - 21 cbhl clubs participated
- Still working on developing a working group
 - Parent education and helping girls understand their paths to future hockey options
 - Pathways to college hockey
 - Duel rostering
- Jamborees – working on putting together different Jamborees
 - Some open to any registered player in affiliate
 - Some club based
 - Will use grant money obtained through PVAHA to hold
 - Monitor divisions/games at start of season

DISCIPLINE / Bill Schmidt

- 26 Majors, 4 Coach suspensions, 2 match penalties
 - Having already talking back to refs from players – not tolerated
 - Coaches need to be verifying roster and signing gamesheet

COMPETITION: David Fishman

- T1 Rosters – need them to verify
 - Please send to me asap

8U / Tom LaTona

- Pre season Jamboree – September 28th 2024 PWIC
 - Schedule will be posted on website when finished, hopefully this week
 - Not using refs – make sure every team has one coach with skates to ref
- Other possible Jamboree dates
 - November 1st
 - January 31st

OPERATIONS / Katy Kaufmann

TEAM MANAGER LEAD / Katy Kaufmann

- Team manager contact spreadsheet nicely getting filled in
 - Please cont to pass that onto your team managers if haven't already
- Still awaiting Club Contact form for this season from 8 teams
 - Form was resent
 - Please fill out and get that back to me ASAP
 - I have updated our master contact list and the website from what has been turned in thus far
- Club representatives please continue to on information that is sent by Tom or I to your team managers

WEBSITE & SOCIAL MEDIA / Tom Crosson

- Nothing to report – website up to date

WASHINGTON CAPITALS / No Representative Present

- Thank them for supporting pre season mite Jamboree
- Youth Hockey Day
- Coaching Clinic

OLD BUSINESS

- No old business to review

NEW BUSINESS

- Was opened to floor for concerns/questions about meeting discussions or things from season – None heard
- SHOA contract due to expire end of 2025 season, working group to discuss
 - Another out of cycle rate increase requested
 - Club rates are set already for this season
 - Consensus – Good idea, bad timing.
 - Possibly open to increase for next season.
- Thoughts on moving declarations from July to June
- Discussion on 18U short season again
- Clubs – Youth/Girls
 - Tryouts, not enough kids to make a team, considerations
- Next meeting: November 18th 2024 at 1900
 - No October Meeting to be held

Meeting Adjourned 2007