

SSYHA Board Meeting Minutes
June 30th, 2025 – 12:00 pm
800 Weiss Dr, Conference Room

- I. **Present:** Kerry Shea (KS), Dana Patten (DP)(via phone), Jen Spelshaus (JS), Sean Benderly (SB)(via phone), Jeff Rodriguez (JR), and Ben Weaver (BW). Also present were staff Ryan Dingle (RD), Jake Werner (JW), and Ally Gray (AG). **Absent:** Emmett Lacombe (EL)
- II. Call to Order – 12:11 - KS
- III. Approve May Minutes
 - a. BW motions to approve, JR seconds
 - b. Minutes approved
- IV. Public comment, if any, for items not on the agenda.
 - a. Please limit public comment to 3 minutes per person.
 - i. No public comment
- V. Financials - DP
 - a. Not a lot of transactions
 - i. Residual advertising income
 - ii. Small donation
 - iii. Expenses from coaching wrap up meetings
 - b. League reconciliations
 - i. Need to double check on allocation of reconciliation checks
 - c. Tournament budget
 - i. Extra Squirt team this year, so one less registration spot open
 - ii. Discussion about how many teams to invite to tournaments
 1. Scheduling/experience vs income/diverse opponents
 - d. Balance sheet
 - i. Discussion about whether to continue to roll over CD's as they expire
 1. Could move into YVCF
 2. Gene Bridgewater could also be a good resource for financial strategy
- VI. Director's Report – RD
 - a. Important dates
 - i. Girls Try Hockey – Sept. 3rd
 - ii. Hockey Swap/Kickoff – Sept. 13th
 - iii. BCA Game – Oct. 11th vs Aspen
 - iv. Girls Try Hockey #2 – Oct. 14th
 - v. Coaches Retreat – TBD
 - b. Team Updates
 - i. 14U – 20 players projected, still planning on two teams

1. Jake, Scotty and Emmett Baker (new) confirmed as coaches so far
 - a. Working to add at least one more to coaching staff
- ii. 10U – 2 B teams, 3 teams total
 1. Need to get through tryouts to confirm coach placements, but Matt Erholtz, Jeff Rodriguez, Ian Baker, and Adam Grimes to be involved as coaches.
- c. ATA – Still working to figure out what that program will look like this season
 - i. Haven't gotten a firm answer, hoping to keep them on board
 - ii. Idea proposed to bring on another instructor to help and/or train for the future
- d. HS/CPHL Coaching
 - i. Luke DeWolfe, HS AD, hasn't named a coach and is out of town for the Summer.
 1. We know that at least one person has applied for the job officially
 2. Other candidates have been mentioned but it is unclear if anyone else has applied.
 - ii. Discussion on whether it makes sense to either name an interim coach or a coach for the fall to help with scheduling/planning
 1. We have oversight over the CPHL/Fall season
 2. Could affect the search/naming of the coach
 - iii. Some coaches (Jake, Scotty, Emmett) have been asked to oversee HS Summer skills skates
 1. Would be helpful to the HS program to keep the ice slots for future/continued use
 2. Could run the program through SSYHA/Crossbar
- e. Away Tournaments
 - i. Vail is down a sheet of ice this year, and is doing a lottery for licants to their home tournaments
 1. This could affect the 10U and 12U teams.
 2. It is highly unlikely that both 10U B teams would get in
 3. Need to look into other tournament options for the early season
 - a. Aspen Fall Face Off is an option but not ideal
 - ii. Vail also no longer hosting Girls tournaments on MLK, will need to find another option for them as well
- f. SafeSport Coordinator
 - i. Holly Barclay committed for another year
- g. League News
 - i. CGHL/WCHL
 1. Looking more likely that CGHL will dissolve and WCHL will create a Girls division with some crossover with the Front Range/RMHF Girls teams
 2. 19U Girls division will be slightly different with all of the Front Range teams joining the CPHL other than 1

VII. Operations Update – JBW

a. Uniforms/Apparel

- i. Uniform collection mostly complete
- ii. Uniform ordering window will be open shortly
- iii. Have also discussed an apparel package with Boathouse, our uniform supplier
 1. 4 piece package would be somewhere around \$100
 - a. Hoody, t-shirt, shorts, sweatpants. 24 order minimum.
 2. The wrinkle is that we need to purchase and distribute to get that price. Families could not order directly
 3. Discussion about jackets, would explore with a local supplier (BAP)
 4. We could be able to have as an add on at registration

b. Home Tournaments

- i. Waiting on CAHA to be able to launch tournament registrations
 1. CAHA in the process of switching to a new website which is delaying the process
 2. Last year we launched on July 1st, seems like this year we will see at least some delay in being able to launch

c. Hockey Registration

- i. Planning to launch in early August
 1. First need to finalize association docs and CAHA association application
- ii. Discussion about double rostering between 14U and HS and related pricing

VIII. Events Update – AG

a. 4th of July Parade

- i. Looking for assistance on check in for the parade
- ii. Invites and info being sent to membership
 1. Wear Stampede jerseys, other hockey apparel, or black or red
 2. No candy, will have water for the parade and popsicles for after
 3. Bernie

IX. Board Seat Updates

- a. Having some discussions re: volunteering for trail or highway cleanup – BW
 - i. Also discussion about rink clean up but they don't seem interested – RD
- b. Discussions with Alpine Bank who are working with United Way to create a Youth Sports day of giving - KS
- c. Photos – Sticking with Bill Stewart, open to doing individual photos – JS
 - i. Would be an additional cost for labor/setup
 - ii. Families can choose whether to purchase or not
- d. Strategic planning committee meetings to be held in the coming weeks - RD

X. Other Business

- a. Second Sheet – KS
 - i. Conversations ongoing, more info to come
- XI. Next Month's Meeting
 - a. Tuesday, July 22nd – Noon at Central Park Management
- XII. Adjournment – 2:00pm - KS