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ST. MICHAEL-ALBERTVILLE YOUTH HOCKEY

Minutes - Board of Directors August 24, 2025, 6 PM @ STMA Arena Community Room

Board Members Present: Adam Frost, Jack Rowan, Adam "Woody" Schoh, Gillian Rousslange, Megan McChesney, Kevin Hillman, Tim Steier, Aaron Levin, Amy Hertzog

I. Call to Order- 6:04 PM

II. Minnesota Special Hockey

A motion was made by Jack Rowan and seconded by Adam "Woody" Schoh to approve 10 hours of ice for Minnesota Special Hockey this season. Motion approved.

III. Travel Parent Meeting

 The Travel Parent Meeting will be held on September 15th at 7:00 PM at Middle School West.

IV. Squirt Level Adjustment

There are currently 74 registered skaters at the Squirt level. With six teams, that
would equal approximately 12.33 players per team; with seven teams,
approximately 10.5 players per team. After reviewing the numbers, the HOC
recommended dropping the third B2 team. A motion to approve the HOC
recommendation was made by Gillian Rousslange and seconded by Megan
McCheseny. Motion approved.

V. Mites

- Boys Gold Level Specific Conversation
 - A discussion was held regarding the Boys Gold level. Currently, STMAYHA is registered in Elk River with one A-level team and two B-level teams. However, the home jamboree is set up to include only B-level teams. Woody shared that a few associations have reached out asking whether STMAYHA plans to have both an A and B split at its home jamboree. Woody motioned to tier the Boys Gold level with one A-level team and two B-level teams. No vote was taken at this time, as more data is needed. Kevin was asked to gather additional information and obtain an official HOC recommendation before moving forward.

• Jersey - Blue and Lower

 Jack reported that bids are being received for sublimated jerseys from multiple vendors. The bids are coming in at the same or lower cost than what was quoted by Hat Trick. The board agreed to review the bids and discuss further at the next board meeting.

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VI. HOC Appointments

- Discussion on the 15U-A coach position was tabled pending the outcome of the HOC meeting scheduled for the same evening, where coaching options will be discussed.
- For the Bantam levels, the following assistant coach appointments were recommended:
 - o Bantam AA: Tyler Malerich and Justin Damon
 - o Bantam A: Dustin Behrens
- A motion was made by Kevin Hillman and seconded by Adam "Woody" Schoh to approve the assistant coach appointments. Jack noted that STMAYHA used to be among the highest-paying associations for non-parent coaches and recommended adjusting the pay to \$7,500 for head coaches and \$4,000 for assistant coaches, in addition to covering hotel costs and a daily per diem. Motion carried.
- A motion was made by Kevin Hillman and seconded by Tim Steier to appoint Paul Pelowski as the 8U HOC Coordinator. Motion approved.
- Junior Gold Coordinator tabled for additional discussion.

VII. Volunteer Hours Question

 The board reviewed a request from a family with five players in Mites (one third-year player and four first-year players who are quadruplets). A motion was made by Megan McCheseny and seconded by Tim Steier to waive any additional volunteer hours for the family, provided that the father serves as a coach and the mother manages one of the teams. Motion approved.

VIII. Weiser Approval

 A motion was made by Amy Hertzog and seconded by Kevin Hillman to approve STMAYHA's use of Weiser's for dryland training this year. The cost will be \$150 per player, which will be an incremental fee for players at the Peewee/12U and Bantam/15U levels. Motion approved.

IX. Adjournment- 7:51 PM