



**Minutes - Working Board Meeting**

**August 27, 2023, 7 PM @ STMA Arena Community Room**

*Voting Board Members Present: Megan Esterberg, Jack Rowan, Aaron Levin, Chad Vitzthum, Megan Esterberg, Adam "Woody" Schoh, Kristin VanHeel, Adam Frost*

**I. Call to Order 7:04**

**II. Registration Update-**

- Safesport: Safesport can be done 60 days in advance of renewal date. We can't roster coaches if they are within 30 days of expiration, so make sure coaches are up to date early.
- Coaches Training: Age modules training is changing to 8U, 12U, 15U. Coaches will need concussion training every two years. Chad Vitzthum will meet with level leads to discuss coaching requirements.
- Ice Help: Any students on the ice will need to have a certification. This includes High School players, siblings, etc. and they need to go through student certification as well.
- High school staff need to register as volunteers as they will be running skills
- Rosters: All rosters need to be sent for skills/tryouts. Nov. 1 is the D5 deadline for rosters - a fine will be instilled for moves.
- Late Fees: Anyone who was anticipating trying out for high school who did not register for youth will not be charged a late fee. Kayleigh Bean, Girls High School Coach will send an email to 9-12 families encouraging them to register for youth if they are eligible. Girlstryouts will be open for all 9th-12th grades. They can release 9th graders back to youth after day 1 of tryouts this year; 15U have tryouts the same time as 12U, but rosters will not be communicated yet.. Boys in grades 10-12 can try out; 9th grade is invite only.
- Mite Age Requirement- A motion was made by Adam "Woody" Schoh and seconded by Adam Frost that a Mite/8U player must be 4 by June 1 of the year. Motion approved.

**III. HOC Updates-**

- Tryouts: The process was reviewed. The process will be posted to the website. Of note:
  - Tryouts will only be at STMA; not scrimmaging at an outside location. The scrimmages will take place with other associations at STMA.
  - All evaluators will be external; Jake Hindermann, Boys High School Coach, will not evaluate Peewees as he has Peewee age boys.
  - A motion was made by Adam "Woody" Schoh and seconded by Jack Rowan to approve the tryout plan. Motion approved.
- Team Genius: The association will be using Team Genius to increase the integrity and ease of tryout evaluations. It is a 12 month subscription for \$3,600



that includes the 350 players pro tier, unlimited users, unlimited evaluation of players, TeamGenius coach, Training/On-Boarding and Priority support. A motion was made by Aaron Levin and seconded by Chad Vitzthum to approve the purchase of Team Genius for \$3,600. Motion approved.

#### IV. **Gambling**

- A motion was made by Chad Vitzthum and seconded by Adam “Woody” Schoh to purchase purses for Purse Bingo at BK Tap Haus on Sept. 13 up to \$3,100. Motion approved.
- A motion was made by Adam Frost and seconded by Jack Rowan to purchase V2 Video (Horse Racing) for Horse Racing at sites for up to \$1,650. Motion approved.
- We will need to offer MN Sick Time Requirements - Start 1/1/2024. Tyler Stone will work with the Executive Board on connecting with the Association attorney.

#### V. **Operations**

- Learning to Skate: 47 attended/50 registered. Heather Polumbo from USA Figure Skating is teaching the classes. The association will work with the Arena on more Open Skate/Open Hockey times.
- Sponsorships: A motion was made by Adam “Woody” Schoch and seconded by Aaron Levin to move the Sponsorship Coordinator under the Fundraising Coordinator and add an Assistant Sponsorship Coordinator to streamline our dollar asks. Motion approved.
- Parent Registration/SafeSport Completion: Registration team and Board can help at the community room for anyone who needs help. The date and time will need to be set.
- Advertising at Arena: We need to work through advertising opportunities at the Arena. Any flyers or documents need to be run by Kristin VanHeel for brand consistency.
- Junior Gold Coordinator: Jeff Mastro will be completing his term this year and we will need to find a Junior Gold Coordinator.

#### VI. **Old Business**

- The Board created a wish list for Arena Board:
  - Move gold rink door
  - New mats
  - 2nd Scoreboard
  - Acoustics
  - Logos updated
  - Blinds in the community room.
- The Executive Board approved up to \$500 for DocuSign to ease signing of waivers.

#### VII. **New Business- N/A**

#### VIII. **Adjourn- 9:13 pm**