St. Michael-Albertville Youth Hockey

Meeting Minutes - Board of Directors February 12, 2024, 7 PM @ STMA Arena Community Room

Board Members Present: Megan Esterberg, Jack Rowan, Adam "Woody" Schoh, Kristin VanHeel, Adam Frost, Chad Vitzthum, Adam Frost, Gillian Rouslange, Megan McChesney, Aaron Levin, Jon Dubel

- I. Call to Order- 7:02 p.m.
- II. Addition or Amendments to Agenda as Presented-
- III. **Approval of Minutes-** A motion was made by Jack Rowan and seconded by Adam "Woody" Schoh to approve the January 8, 2024 meeting minutes. Motion approved.
- IV. Chris Yerxa STMAYHA's 50 Year Anniversary/Celebration- Chris' father started the association in 1974. He would like to have a 50 year celebration in 2024. The Board will form a committee and plan what an event with a kick-off could look like; look at hockey day STMA in October.
- V. **Gambling Report-** A motion was made by Chad Vitzthum and seconded by Adam Frost to approve the gambling report as provided. Motion approved.
 - Expenses
 - YOY Comparison Start FY 2023
 - December Expenses: \$230,000.49
 - o GF Donation: \$50,000
 - o Taxes: \$71,851
 - Preliminary January Expenses:
 - o GF Donation: \$40,000
 - o Taxes: \$72,000
 - City 10% Fee Catch-Up: \$10,000
 - Estimated February Expenses: \$268,936
 - o GF Donation: \$50,000
 - o Taxes: \$75,000
 - o City 10% Fee Catch-Up: \$10,000
 - Estimated March Expenses: \$287,436
 - o GF Donation: \$50,000
 - o Taxes: \$75,000
 - City 10% Fee Catch-Up: \$10,000
 - Updates/Other Items
 - Staff Appreciation Party: Requesting \$600 from the General Fund for the party.
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- Additional Etabs
- Meeting with Dave
- LG1004 Board Reports December Available

VI. Non-Voting Reports-

• **Volunteer** - Please provide a list of committee members to the Volunteer Coordinator to allow for hours to be credited by the end of the month.

VII. Voting Board Reports-

- **D5 Rep-** Aaron Levin
 - Hosting the Bantam AA and PWC District 5 tournaments next weekend (~26 hrs). A motion was made by Aaron Levin and seconded by Gillian Rouslange for \$7,500 to host the District 5 tournament. Motion approved.
 - NovaCare for EMT will cost \$1,300 (\$50/hour); \$35/hour will be reimbursed by District 5.
 - Printed brackets will cost \$100.
 - Ice rental will cost \$5,980; District 5 will fully reimburse this amount.
 - February D5 Meeting:
 - Some associations are looking at numbers and doing preliminary planning on teams and levels for next season. HOC should start projections.
 - We are seeing a large increase in coach penalties and parents being removed from games. Only head coaches should talk to officials. Association Board and HOC members should address issues if they are seen.
 - Reminder that off-ice volunteers need to stay neutral (Penalty Box, GameSheet, Clock, etc.).
 - All district tournaments have been posted.
 - USA Hockey will require neck protection starting August 1st.
 - Association Leader Excellence Conference is 5/3-5/4
 - Recommended for all board/HOC members
 - Required for at least 1 person
 - Player award requests should go to Kristy Olson. Use the form on the D5 site.
 - MN Hockey updates their waiver rule (effective 1/1/24).
 - Current players are grandfathered into where they played this season.
 - Going forward:

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- Waivers for where you go to school will not be automatically approved, unless it's for a first year Squirt/10U player.
- New Mites/8U need to play in the association they live in until 1st year Squirts/10U. As a first year Squirt/10U, they can get a school waiver to play where they go to school.
- After first year Squirt/10U, need to play where you live unless you have a standing school waiver or are granted a new waiver.
- Students doing on-line school need to play where they live or can ask for a school waiver.
- A policy will need to be in place for waivers; will be included in the Policies and Procedures.
- This will be communicated to the association in the coming weeks. Megan Esterberg will connect with Nate Wold about holding a Q&A regarding waivers.
- We will have conversations with other associations about the one-off situations.
- Fundraising Coordinator- Alyssa Shaughnessy
 - Jersey Mike's Fundraiser- \$1,057
 - Pizza Ranch Fundraiser- \$48.84
 - Raffle- Sold over 400 of the 500 tickets.
 - KnightHawk Food/Drink Budget Vote- \$10,000 approved on 8/14/23 -Band \$4,500, Venue \$600, Rider \$200 and Silent Auction \$200. A motion was made by Alyssa Shaughnessy and seconded by Adam "Woody" Schoh to approve \$10,000 for food and beverage. Motion approved.
 - Get your tickets now for \$20. One email the week of.
- Mite/8U Coordinator- Jon Dubel
 - A motion was made by Chad Vitzthum and seconded by Megan Esterberg to purchase trophies for Mites/8U up to \$3000. Motion approved.
- Registration Coordinator- Chad Vitzthum
- HOC Admin- Adam Frost
 - Plan to connect with Travel Coordinators in the next month to go over tournaments from this season and start planning for next year. Looking for specific level tournaments for boys for competitive value
 - HP Nominations are complete

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- Still concerns about dryland facility
 - Trash not being cleaned up
 - Equipment being broken
 - People accessing storage area
 - Code was changed again last month
- Girls Travel Coordinator- Gillian Rousslange
- Boys Travel Coordinators- Megan McChesney

VII. Executive Report

- Operations- Adam "Woody" Schoh
 - A motion was made by Adam "Woody" Schoh of Adam Frost to approve the Gambling Manager's compensation sent via email. Motion approved.
 - Event sharing with gambling partners was discussed. More details to be flushed out.
 - Close to completing the Policies and Procedures.
- Finance- Jack Rowan

Category	↓ Deposits	Expenses	Net
Gambling	90,000.00	15.90	89,984.10
Registration	42,619.36	1,516.09	41,103.27
Donations	1,000.00		1,000.00
Miscellaneous	464.98		464.98
Scrimmages	1,803.00	1,403.00	400.00
Advertising	1,000.00	838.28	161.72
Transfer	100,000.00	100,000.00	0.00
Recruting and Retentio	n	784.13	-784.13
Skills		1,915.00	-1,915.00
Jerseys		2,075.00	-2,075.00
Fundraising		2,350.00	-2,350.00
Tournaments	10,227.40	13,492.82	-3,265.42
Coaching		4,700.88	-4,700.88
Dryland		5,432.15	-5,432.15
District 5		15,623.00	-15,623.00
Ice		80,485.00	-80,485.00
Grand Total	247,114.74	230,631.25	16,483.49

Communication- Kristin VanHeel



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- Working with the HOC on the end of year survey.
 - We will add a waiver question to the survey.
- President- Megan Esterberg
 - Arena Board Update- Ice costs will increase \$5 per hour effective 9/2024.
 The scoreboard will be in at the end of February. The Gold Rink will be repainted mid-March.
- VIII. New Business- Elections will be discussed at the Working Board Meeting.
 - IX. Old Business-
 - Bylaws- We will discuss at the Working Board Meeting in February.
 - X. Open Forum-
- XI. Adjourn- 9:15 p.m.