



Meeting Minutes

6/20/24

ROLL CALL: Anderson, Berthiaume, Crimmins, Garver, Grothe, Hanson, Howarth, Izzard, Kyrola, Papko, Penney, Peterson, Severin, Sislo, Steen

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT: 6:03 by President Sislo

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: via email on 5/20 motion by Kyrola second by Penney

APPROVAL OF FINANCIALS: Motion by Berthiaume second by Grothe

OFFICER REPORTS:

President:

- Reminder that no board member will send an email from SE with “an assignment that they need done immediately and to respond to the email”- do not respond to those emails
- D11 meeting info: we are hosting the SQB1 playoffs, coaching clinics will close Dec 15, no temp cards will be given this year, get legal advice if we offer neckguards to players so we aren't liable for anything, refs are looking for a 5% raise as is the scheduler, locker room monitors are a must D11 fines \$1000/team if there is no monitor
- Applied for the WAHA equipment grant (10 sets of mite gear)
- Final determination of ED review will be done by SRM

Executive Director:

- Some issues with boards that are being worked on

Treasurer:

- Reviewed proposed budget- a few committees need to meet and have changes updated

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Development:

- LTS flyer is ready and will be posted
- Termites will continue with 2 sessions this year with a LTS between the 2 sessions
- Mini Mites will be called Mite 1 and Mites will be called Mite 2

- D11 league placements needed in July
- 14U and PWC will not participate in D11 league
- Hockey director position proposal being put together
- Coach application is ready to go out
- Level directors are registering teams for tournaments
- Committee recommendation: Each team Squirt/10U level and above will be allowed 10 home games (league and non-league), home tournament games not included. Should a team have a league schedule of more than 8 games they will be allowed up to 2 additional home games. All requests to go over the 10 home game limit will need to be approved by the development committee and the arena scheduler. Requests for approval should be submitted to the appropriate level director. 2nd by Severin, all in favor

Bylaws and Policies:

- Recommendation from committee to update website listed in policies, adjust volunteer hours penalty from \$10/hour to \$25/hour, revise the player release policy removing text referencing release fee and add new language for release of player detailing the procedure for release *details at end of minutes* motion by Berthiaume to update player transfer request initiation section 1a to specify it must be a current registered SAHA member, and add 1e stating no requests will be considered prior to Oct 1, 2nd by Papko all in favor

Equipment:

- Quoted \$35,536 from Wicked Rags for jerseys and socks for all teams (\$170/set jerseys \$26 socks)
- 15% off intro rate on 1st time orders
- 3-5-week turnaround
- Board is requesting to verify if socks are cut proof and if we can do reversable jerseys for Mites

Fundraising:

- Still trying to get additional raffle items for drawings
- Raffle tickets are being worked on as well as how they will be distributed
- Need someone to take the lead with Earth Rider fundraising opportunity- Severin offered
- Need more volunteers to sign up for Bayfront activities- SAHA gets \$12/hours per worker, and workers get tips

Registration and Communication:

- Finance committee recommends fee structure to be: set fee until September 1 and a 20% increase after September 1. Discussion about whether or not all levels should have the 20% increase, Papko motioned to exclude Mite and below from price increase, 2nd by Crimmins all in favor

Player Recruitment and Retention/Publicity:

- 4th of July parade signup needs to be advertised
- Season kick-off will be 9/28 12-4; will have equipment swap, fundraiser info, skate-a-thon, jersey sale

Long Term Planning:

- Community directed spending did not go through
- Non-profit group of individuals with realistic opportunities willing to take a chance and do something similar to UWS, Mark signed an NDA and will be meeting to get more information

NEW BUSINESS:

- 8U tournament approval requests: 8U is looking to register for Hibbing, Cloquet, and Edina tournaments motion to approve by Papko, second by Severin all in favor

CLOSED SESSION

MOTION TO ADJOURN: motion by Severin second by Hanson

MEETING ADJOURNED AT: 8:12

MINUTES SUBMITTED BY: Crimmins

NEXT MEETING: August 21, 6:00 @TBD

*Bylaws and Policies recommendations:

Update Website URL

- Change the website URL to the correct URL for the SAHA website.

Adjust Volunteer Hour Penalty

- Modify the penalty for failure to meet volunteer hours from \$10.00 to \$25.00 per hour.

Revise Release Player Policy

- Delete text referencing release fee for release of player.
- Addition of new Policy language for release of player detailing procedure for release.

RELEASING A PLAYER TO ANOTHER ORGANIZATION

SAHA is the only sanctioned WAHA and USA Hockey organization in Superior and the surrounding area. Consistent with WAHA and USA Hockey guidelines, any player residing within its boundaries is considered a player under the auspices of SAHA.

No player will be granted a release by SAHA to play in another organization unless SAHA does not have or cannot provide a team and coaching structure for that player.

Any player residing in Superior and the surrounding area who wishes to join another affiliate association will require a signed release from SAHA President and Treasurer. All release requests will need to be made in writing by the requesting party. The requesting party may be asked to appear before the SAHA Development Committee to detail their request and answer any questions prior to any voting. Release requests may be submitted to SAHA President beginning July 01.

1. Player Transfer Request Initiation:

- a. Players wishing to transfer from SAHA to another association must complete the "Consent to Player Transfer – Tier II" form.
- b. The form must list the name of the Accepting Association.
- c. The President of the Accepting Association must signify acceptance by signing the form.
- d. No transfer requests will be considered before July 1st of any given year.

2. Approval Process:

- a. The transfer request form must be signed by the President and Treasurer of the Releasing Association (SAHA).
- b. The President of the Releasing Association must signify consent by signing the form.
- c. The Treasurer of the Releasing Association must confirm that the player and their parents/legal guardians have no outstanding financial obligations to SAHA by signing the form.

3. Financial Clearance:

- a. The Treasurer's verification is required to ensure that the player's financial obligations to SAHA are settled.
- b. The player will not be released if there are any outstanding financial obligations.

4. Submission to WAHA:

- a. Once all required signatures are obtained, the form must be submitted to the WAHA State Registrar for receipt and approval.

- b. The transfer is not valid until the WAHA State Registrar has approved the transfer.
5. **Restrictions:**
- a. The released player may only play for the Accepting Association named on the form.
 - b. Transfers will not be approved if the Accepting Association is not specified at the time of submission.

Procedure to apply for release:

1. **Player/Parent Initiates Transfer:**
 - a. Obtain the "Consent to Player Transfer – Tier II" form.
 - b. Complete the form listing the player's name, date of birth, team & age.
 - c. Forward the form to the President of the Accepting Association.
 - d. The President of the Accepting Association reviews and, if in agreement, signs the form.
2. **Releasing Association Approval:**
 - a. Submit the form to SAHA President.
 - b. The SAHA Development Committee reviews the request.
 - c. Development Committee presents their decision in their committee report.
 - If need be, SAHA Board of Directors vote on recommendation from committee report.
 - d. If approved, President reviews and signs the form.
 - e. SAHA President submits the form to the Treasurer of SAHA for financial clearance.
 - f. The Treasurer reviews and, if financial obligations are clear, signs the form.
3. **Submission to WAHA:**
 - a. SAHA President submits the fully signed form to the WAHA State Registrar for final approval.
 - b. SAHA awaits confirmation of receipt and approval from the WAHA State Registrar.
4. **Confirmation:**
 - a. Once approved, ensure all parties are informed of the transfer approval.
 - b. Maintain records of the signed forms for reference.