

## Sioux Falls Youth Hockey Association

### Board of Directors Meeting

April 12, 2023

6:30pm

Scheels Conference Room – SCHEELS IcePlex

President Sam Everson called the Sioux Falls Youth Hockey Association Board of Directors meeting to order. Board members in attendance were Sam Everson (President), Corey Rothrock (Vice-President), Derek Berg (Development Director), Leah May (Travel League Director), Dave Carlson (Director of City League), and Amanda Smith (Director of Tournaments). Quorum was present. Chun Chan (Incoming Secretary), Cherry Hunter (Director of Operations), Dan Houck (Director of Hockey) and Curtis Egan were also in attendance. Ed Davis (Secretary), Adam Gorra (Past President), and Elliot Hitt (Treasurer) were absent.

Secretary's Report – Corey Rothrock made a motion to approve the March 15, 2023 Board of Directors Meeting minutes as submitted. Motion seconded and carried.

Treasurer's Report – Board members reviewed financial reports as submitted. Budget requests need to be submitted by May 1.

#### Director of Hockey – Dan Houck

- post-season coaching meeting w/ all Bantam and HS coaches regarding post-season evaluation completion
- participated in “When the Coach Needs a Coach” zoom by Dr. Ajmal Razmy of the NHL Coaches Association which explored challenges faced by hockey coaches and explored methods to mitigate mental health rabbit holes.
- Held HS Coaches meeting w/ Leah May regarding team splits for 2023/24
- attending the SDAHA State Meeting on April 15 with Adam Gorra on behalf of SFYHA
- To Do:
  - Andy Gillham contract 2023/24
  - Director of Goaltending Contract 2023/24 – may need to make an offer with response deadline

#### Admin Update – Cherry Hunter

- End of Year Event – Thank you to New York Life for the meal provided!! Thanks to IcePlex for complimentary ice! The event went smoothly. The suggested change is to have Game Jersey turn in the same evening. Need more in attendance for High School portion.
- Return of Rental Gear – tracking down last six sets of gear. Several families were told they could use SFYHA rental gear for post season and summer hockey. Sent an email to River Kings, Legends and SD Selects leadership to remind them our rental gear is only available for SFYHA functions & programs.
- Game Jerseys – Down to last five sets 😊 Janice is tracking those for return
- Registration projections at back of board packet.
- Volunteer Hour/Family data at back of board packet.

Director of Development – Derek Berg – The Puck Club participant celebration will be May 8 at Thunder Road. Hoping the NW Build Out takes off and will work on raising funds for the project.

#### President's Report – Sam Everson

1. Music Laptops – IP & Randy Preston have requested replacement music computers for the failing devices. Two computers cost is \$1000
2. SDAHA Proposals – Spreadsheet with SFYHA position included in Google documents.
  - a. Video Review – Need to make submission of video clips more difficult and increase proposed fee to \$250 for submission

- b. Dark Jersey
- c. Medical Attention – too costly for smaller associations
- d. Squirt Run Time – Don't support. Squirts need on ice development
- e. Freeze 10
- f. 2023 14U Roster
- g. Rule 4 Addition
- h. Tournament Resurfacing
- i. Large Association Teams
- j. Bylaw 3.9 – Player Transfers and Hometown Rule
- k. 2023 Ice Resurfacing – needs 2/3 vote to be on the agenda
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- m. Video Review Proposal – needs 2/3 vote to be on the agenda

**Agenda Items:**

- IcePlex Expansion Fundraising & Memo of Understanding – Corey Rothrock is working with AlphaGraphics on a tri-fold promo. Plans are for the committee to meet in the next week or two. Corey will visit with Joe Zueger regarding changes to the Memo of Understanding.
- Volunteer Hours & Deposits for 2023-2024 Season
  - City Family with one player – 12 hours / \$350 deposit – Current requirements
  - City Family with 2 or more players – 15 hours / \$350 deposit – Current requirements
  - Travel Family with one player – 16 hours / \$400 deposit - Current requirements
  - Travel Family with 2 or more players – 20 hours / \$400 deposit - Current requirements
  - Recommendation – leave City Families as stated. Increase Travel Family with one player to 25 hours and Travel Family with two or more players to 30 hours with \$800 deposit
  - Leah May made a motion to increase the Volunteer Hour deposit to \$700 for all Travel Families starting with the 23-24 season. Motion seconded and carried.
  - Tournament Dibs – Each SFYHA hosted tournament has approximately 160 Dibs tasks. The Tournament Dibs are often difficult to fill. Need to develop a plan of requirement for Sioux Falls teams participating in each tournament – possibly each family is required to claim and complete 3 Dibs tasks. Suggested this includes those families that are exempt except the coach of the teams participating. Team Coordinator will need to verify each of the teams' families for compliance.
  - Need required training for Squirts and new PeeWees for scorekeeping and other minor official duties.

***Sioux Falls Youth Hockey Association Mission:***

***To Motivate, Inspire and Encourage Athletic Participation and Good Health through Ice Sports***

Meeting adjourned 8:53

**NEXT MEETING**

May 17, 2023 6:30 pm  
Sanford Conference Room at the IcePlex

Respectfully submitted,  
Cherry Hunter  
SFYHA Director of Operations

Adopted May 17, 2023 (Date) by oral resolution at meeting / written correspondence (Circle one)