

PRINCETON YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

“Team First – Integrity – Grit – Engaged – Respectful”

Monthly Board Meeting Agenda / Minutes

November 27th, 2023 @ 6:30 pm

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** - 6:30 pm.

2. **ATTENDANCE**

Corey Murphy, Joe Hostrawser, Amber Wilkinson, Chad Ruzek, Jeremy Uhrich, Missy McAlpine, Becky Krueger, Brittany Stearns, Zach Welding, Ben Heath.

3. **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF GAMBLING REPORTS** (*Amber Wilkinson, Gambling Manager*)

Quit doing the meat raffle temporarily at Finish Line because the last 3 times were a loss. Working on a banner for Finish Line, should be ready in the next couple of weeks. Ben Heath motions to transfer 20,000 for bills and payroll, Chad Ruzek seconds. All in favor, motion passes. Becky Krueger motions to approve LG1004, Corey Murphy seconds. All in favor, motion passes.

4. **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES** (*Ben Heath, Secretary*)

Brittany Stearns motions to approve October’s meeting minutes, Zach Welding seconds. All in favor, motion passes.

5. **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF TREASURER REPORT** (*Joe Hostrawser, Treasurer*)

Corey Murphy motions to approve the Treasurer’s Report, Chad Ruzek seconds. All in favor, motion passes.

6. **PRESIDENT’S REPORT** (*Jeremy Uhrich*)

Scheduling is completed.

7. **VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT** (*Eric Englund*)

Nothing new to report.

8. **ARENA/ADVERTISING MANAGER REPORT** (*Missy McAlpine*)

- I. Couple of skate blade injuries last week, updated first aid kits. We have tourniquets hanging in red bags by each score clock. A BBL player sliced inner thigh with his own skate blade. Code red called, all arena staff did a good job. Suggest we offer a “stop the bleed” class to coaches and parents.
- II. HS game staff and announcing filled. Front door fixed. Received a batch of ice returns from BBL. Elk River is still looking for hours and have filled everyone we’ve had available thus far. Considering bringing back Tiger Sports this summer. Checked out Tiger Club prices and think we should give it a go. 6:00 am-6:00 pm weekly thing, can skate certain hours. 9 weeks? Non-refundable deposit. Ages 5-12. Stay active with lots of activities. Would have to work closely with our summer program to work around it. Would like to get this set by January. Recommends we try it for 3 years at least to see if it can work.

9. **DISTRICT 10 REPORT** (*Jeremy Uhrich*)

Lot of conversation about scheduling, rostering, game sheet updates, and mouth guards attached to cage. Said they had some ref sweaters available for purchase. Futures program happening again this year. Talk about the importance of making sure penalties are entered correctly. Couple coaches were upset about no resurface for 15U and 12U games.

10. **BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

- **Away Tournament Coordinator**, *Joe Hostrawser* – Every team is now signed up for two tournaments. A couple of teams had to move games around for tournaments.
- **Communications Coordinator**, *Becky Krueger* – Started weekly game schedules on Facebook page, along with regular updates. Will send out info about calendar app syncing with personal calendars.
- **Equipment Manager Eric Englund / Chad Ruzek** – The coaches’ coats should be done next week.
- **Fundraising Coordinator**, *Corey Murphy* – Poinseta handout this this Saturday, Nov. 2. Heggies is still going, that turn in is on Jan. 19. Handout for those will be the 8th or 9th of February.

- **Game Sheet Coordinator**, Brittany Stearns – Exhibition games have to be manually updated to game sheet. App needs to be removed and reinstalled each year to get it to work. Updated penalties to 1.5 minutes. Our iPads have been updated.
- **Girls Program Coordinator**, *Becky Krueger* – 12U added tournament in Leverene. Will be selling brochures at Wild Game to help raise money for the 12U team. Talked to Nate from BBL about updates. There is an 8U girl who wants to sign up late.
- **Hockey Director**, *Ben Heath* – Nothing new to report.
 - I. PARENT FEEDBACK: Been getting compliments from parents at various levels saying they are happy with how things are going this season. They feel the association/coaches are making a better effort to do more with their teams by including regular off-ice training (dryland training) and board talks to help increase team play and players' hockey IQ, along with better team cohesiveness.
 - II. SKILLS CHECKLIST: Sent out an email to coaches to encourage them to keep doing what they are doing (by including dryland and board talks) with a reminder to check our [association skills checklist](#) to be sure they are implementing the level-appropriate skills and team play training into their weekly practice schedules.
 - III. HDC: No meeting this month. Will reach out to HS Coach Andy F. to try and get a meeting on the calendar.
- **Mite/8U Coordinator (On-Ice)**, *Ben Heath* –
 - I. MITE A SCHEDULE: After losing some returning Mite A players, we successfully crafted our schedule for this young group to play other A teams that are more of our caliber. D10 put us in a 4 full-ice game league with North Branch, Pine City, Cambridge Isanti, and St. Francis. Our greatest challenge with this team will be when we face teams like Blaine and Bloomington Jefferson in our PYHA Mite Jamboree.
 - II. OSMONDSON SKATING STATION: We've completed 2 out of the 4 mite practices with Bryan Osmondson thus far. During those first 2 sessions, he worked on proper skating strides forward/backwards. The last 2 sessions will be completed over the next couple of weeks; during those, Bryan will focus on edgework and crossovers. Zach Welding has been following Bryan at his skating station and reviewing/reinforcing what Bryan teaches at our regular mite A/B station practices. The head coaches of the Mite C/8U Girls group are doing the same.
 - III. MITE SKILLS PROGRESSION: We are on track with our skills progression plan for the mites, and I am happy with the progress I'm seeing with both practice groups.
- **Mite Jamboree Coordinator**, *Danielle Murphy* – All full but 2A teams.
- **Mite/8U Coordinator (Off-Ice)**, *Zach Welding* – All games are scheduled and on the calendar.
- **Outdoor Ice Manager Jon Stenslie** – Waiting for single-digit nights to flood.
- **Recruitment Coordinator**, *Becky Krueger* – Santa coming on Dec.9th will be there for Mite and Tiny Tiger hours through open skate. Scott wants to do it for Dibs hours. Will take pics of players with sponsors on back of jerseys to post on social media as a thank you to our sponsors.
- **Referee Coordinator**, *Joe Hostrawser* – Meeting this Wednesday with D10, going over how the league will run.
- **Registration/Team Manager Coordinator** **Brittney Stearns** – Mite roster sign-off is Saturday. We had a PWB2 quit.
- **Scheduling Coordinator (Practice)**, *Jeremy Uhrich* – Have practices done through January. Will look at D10 recommendations. All filled through Feb.2nd.
- **Scheduling Coordinator (Games)**, *Missy McAlpine* – Needs correct team info for locker room assignments.
- **Tiny Tigers Director**, *Zach Welding* – Going well, no HS players showed up yet. Jeremy Uhrich needs all signed student coach forms before those players can help on the ice.
- **Volunteer Coordinator**, *Corey Murphy* – Sold about 40 Gopher tickets in 3 days.
- **Website Coordinator**, *Becky Krueger* – Mite Jamboree registration tab on the front page, updated contact info on team pages.

11. NEW ITEMS

- **Request for Late Registration (Squirt B2, 8U Girl)** – 6 may, 2 aye. Request for late registration denied.

- **Level Fines** – Zach Welding motions to approve PYHA covering up to \$1500 of game rescheduling fees (instead of individual teams paying out of their allotted tournament funds) this year due to difficulties finding tournaments in time, Ben Heath seconds. All in favor, motion passes.
- **Dryland Facility** – All the flooring has been ordered. Tiles eta. 11/28/2023. Turf is supposed to be here this week. Jeremy Uhrich had multiple install conversations with James Lyon. His work crew and some association members will complete this. Will save us about \$2500 in installation fees.
- **Picture Night Location** – Dec.18th Travel Teams and Jan.15th Mites/8U. The location will be in the future Dryland Facility.

12. ADJOURN: - 8:40 pm.