



# SARTELL YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION



## MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP Minutes

December 13, 2021 - 8pm

RDR Arena at SCHEELS Athletic Complex

**SYHA Board Members in Attendance** - President John Getting, Vice President Jen McCormack, Treasurer Kayla Epsen, Secretary Amy Peterson, Kevin Mentzer, Marie Thompson, Melissa Torborg, Dan Dostal, Chris Pothoff

**Other members in attendance-** Beth Atkinson, Brian Zimney, Ryan Newman, Ktie Hilger, Pam Brookins,

### AGENDA:

Call to Order - John 8:00 PM

Request for Agenda Items- none

Consent Agenda:

Minutes posted to website

Treasurer's Report Kayla provided a report

### Account Balances as of 11/30/2021

General Fund Checking	\$ 130,857.84
General Fund Savings	<u>\$ 275,012.64</u>
TOTAL	\$ 405,870.48

### Notes

- November highlights
  - o Income of \$65,676.33; includes \$20,000 donation from gambling and Nov 15 registration payments
  - o Expenses \$41,632.06; ice rent tracking lower than last year and projected.
- Have had 3 tournaments cancelled and awaiting refunds totaling \$4,525 (girls Duluth & Roseau, and boys Squirt B1 for Fargo invitational). Kayla continuing to reach out to tournaments contacts to request refunds.
- Tax return filing was extended by Baker's office due to multiple staff out with COVID. On Steve's desk now and expected to be finalized this week.

Gambling Report, Pam provided

Calendar raffles due on December 27, 2021.

**Approve consent agenda: Kevin motion to approve, seconded by Jen, All approved.**

## **UPDATES:**

### Committees

- HOC (Anderson)- Submitted report prior to meeting

Hockey Operations Committee (HOC) Monthly Report  
December 2021

Since the last SYHA Executive Board meeting on November 8, the HOC has met and addressed the following topics.

### **Action Items assigned from Previous Board Meeting or taken since last Board Meeting:**

- Positive Coaching Alliance
  - Coach seminar – Double Goal Coach workshop for coaches and SYHA Board members – November 10
- Junior Gold–
  - 3 coaches
  - Registration completed; 15 skaters (all Sartell) and 1 goaltender (St. Cloud)
  - Non-SYHA players were not accommodate secondary to the good response from St. Cloud kids
  - Jerseys – Bantam jerseys from 2 years ago
  - Timeline
    - § JG Season 12/6 – 2/25, then playoffs
    - § Tourneys 12/31 – 1/2 Moorhead; 1/14-1/16 Buffalo
  - Look at purchasing Jerseys, sustainability, photos, senior night etc
- Intro to Hockey model continues to allow travel team mentorship/leadership at each session
- Bantam AA head coach change made
- Ice Hockey Systems – coaches using
- Coach meeting – 12/12/21 – will plan for monthly.

### **Prompted Discussion Topics (from parents, coaches, Board)**

- Fielding parent and coach questions/concerns – level coordinators (Burriss – Bantams, Henkemeyer - Pee Wees, J. Anderson - Squirts, Oberg – Girls HOC)

### **Requests for Board Assistance or Action**

· None

#### Action Plans for coming months:

- Monthly coach meetings during season
- Mid-season Team Genius evals
- Goalie programming - Dwyer

#### Central MN Riverblades

- No meeting this month so no update

#### Registrar

- Not present - Submitted report

Junior Gold team officially submitted for rostering. Working through rostering mite teams now that teams are officially assigned. Many do not have birth certificates on file, will be working with those families when I am back next week. Official date to be registered through USA Hockey for mite teams: January 31.

Reminder: If more stickers are needed for teams, to reach out to Lacy directly a few days prior to needing them.

#### Arena Board

Brian Zimney provided an Arena Board update.

- Addressing issues with parking lots safely, Jen will send email reminders about how to pull up and park, waiting etc. working with city to get more signs up
- Need to communicate with volunteers working games about running time if the game is in jeopardy of going over. Games must stop when the allotted time runs out. They will need to watch the clock and use their phone as a timer if necessary. Arena staff will help monitor this as well.
- SYHA responsibility to monitor time and communicate with referee's and team managers about what will have if need is for run time.
- SYHA will send out communication on this
- Continuing to work with donors
- Continuing to work with Avario to improve capabilities and experience.
- Discussed grand opening/ need to have all clear from installer to go forward with sponsorship logos.
- Few items left on construction punch list.
- Dryland utilization and working with Todd on some type of roping off of the area so players can do dryland and not have spectators interfere in this space while watching games.

- Looking at pulling the blue rope lighting in front of Bernick's entrance to deter people from entering that arena as main entrance is now the SCHEELS entry between RDR and Bernicks.
- Looking to address signage and locker rooms etc using TV's
- Fans have been brought in on top of lifts in RDR because heat rises and it sits up there and creates condensation. Fans will help

#### Scheduler Update - Jamie Burris

- No update

#### D5 Report

#### John attended last meeting

- Ref shortage continues to be an issue
- Halting all scrimmages so that schedule district games can happen
- No private refs or outside refs will be allowed
- Younger refs can do the squirt games as more experienced refs needed at higher levels
- May need to move from two to one ref in some games
- Send messages to coaches, kids, players and families of this issue and to take it easy on current refs
- Thank refs when you can, they are struggling

#### Level Coordinators

- Girls U10, U12, U15 (Kyla)

#### Nothing to report

##### Mites (Jackie)

Jackie not present. Mites have pictures on Tuesday along with retakes and missed pictures for all travel teams

##### Squirt (Beth)

No real update all teams doing well. Squirt C team still working at adding games as they are short

##### PeeWee (Katie)

Nothing to report. Changes to controlled scrimmages and some teams frustrated with tournaments they are playing in due to getting beat at tournaments and not playing in tournaments that are a good fit/ level for those teams

##### Bantam (open)

Penalties an issue this year. Doing shoot out for hunger, food donations box at arena starting 12/14 to 12/22

#### Apparel -Apparel stores - Closed for season

## Battle by The River - Ryan Newman

- Brackets set up and finalized, game times remain the same
- 8 teams will have 5 games
- Ryan will send bracket out so teams can see how games will be set up
- Game times are locked in, no changes
- Jamie Burris already sent game times to District 5
- Pools have been completed for teams
- Working on banner and have most of the teams logos as well for small program
- Ashley Knott agreed to call area restaurants and businesses to give heads up that we will have extra people in town to service

## Goalie Sessions/ Training

- No update

- Gun Raffle, Tickets getting printed and finalizing last of guns

## **NEW BUSINESS**

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Open Floor

Adjourn- 9:02 PM

Submitted by Amy Peterson

## **Email votes:**

No email votes

