

Sun Valley Youth Hockey Board Meeting Hailey Ice Cafe – September 6, 2023



Board members present: Jeff Lamoureux, Jessica Pollock, Brooke McKenna, John Kearney, Ryan Deal, Kayla Nisson.

Others present: Sarah Benson, Nancy Fenn, Chad O'Brien, Toby O'Brien, Kaly Spilhaus, Ty Newberry

Call to Order: Jeff called the meeting to order at 5:32 pm, quorum established.

Approval of minutes from August 8, 2023 meeting: motion by Jessica, seconded by Brooke, unanimously approved.

Reports and Discussion

Hailey Ice (Sarah Benson): Val Manchak Jensen from Infinite Edge will hold a skills clinic for youth September 9-10. Coordinating with LAXID in late September. Ready for SVYH season to begin!

SVYH Registrar's Report (Nancy Fenn): 227 registered players thus far. Expecting 330. Evaluations planned for Sept 17. Season start for 12U and above will be October 2. 10U and below will start October 16. Give hockey a try program – working on schedule. Gear swap and free ice time planned for September 24. Team meetings October 3 – all parents and coaches (location TBD). Discussion regarding tournament registration.

OverSpeed Hockey:

Kaly Spilhaus – Girls program. U10/U12/U14 discussion. Numbers of registrants for 12U low this season. Discussion regarding 12/14U tournaments. All girls tournament option in Teton for 10U.

Motion #1: SVYH will deny a play up request for a 10U female player to play up at the 12U level. The 10U level will create more girls opportunities at practices and games, and look to attend an all girls tournament in Teton Feb 16-18 and also explore other 10U/12U game options.

Motioned by Jeff, seconded by Kayla. Unanimously approved.

Chad O'Brien – discussion on head coaches for all teams. Discussion regarding team managers.

Motion #2: Team managers will not manage an SVYH team and an outside team concurrently in same season. Team managers will only manage one age group within SVYH in a season. Family members will not Head Coach/Team Manage the same age group in the same season. Team Managers are selected and approved by SVYH.

Motioned by Jessica, seconded by John. Unanimously approved.

Addition - via email Sept 12, 2023 the Board agreed that team managers for the 2023-24 season will be grandfathered in and are exempt from this clause for the 2023-24 season only, but in future seasons this motion will apply to everyone.

Evaluations – Sept 17 – all sessions will host some skills and skating drills and will also include a game. Evaluations will be run by Chad. SUNS adult seniors and other coaches will assist in evaluations.

Equipment – new equipment has been ordered for both rinks.
Staffing and roles document discussion. Development and goalie program discussion. Coaching education topics. Using SportsYou as a communication tool for coaches ideas, articles, etc.

SVYH President’s Report (Jeff Lamoureux): communications have been received regarding dual rostering, high school team family inquiries, goalie discussion for the midget and HS teams. Reminder to renew SafeSport for Board members. Scholarship committee discussion.

Other discussion

- **Home tournament raffle proceeds** - Discussion regarding each SVYH team that hosts a home tournament and a raffle.

Motion #3 – Teams are encouraged to host a raffle at their home tournament, in part to support the SVYH scholarship fund. At 12U and above age groups, tournament fees are collected in registration, thus SVYH proposes that \$750 from each age group’s home tournament raffle proceeds, goes back to SVYH to the scholarship fund. The remaining raffle profits can be used to directly benefit that team. At the 10U and below age groups, tournament fees are not collected at registration, thus these teams can use their raffle proceeds to offset tournament fees, and use the remainder to directly benefit their team.

Motioned by Jeff, seconded by Brooke. Unanimously approved.

- **Bauer program.** Gear fitting will be September 28 at Hailey Elementary from 6-8pm. There will be 4 on-ice sessions (Oct 15, 22, 29 and Nov 5). Aiming to register ~40 kids that are brand new to hockey.

Executive session 7:48pm

John made a motion to adjourn at 8:21 pm, Jessica seconded. Unanimously approved.

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday October 4, 2023, 5:30pm, Hailey Ice Cafe
Minutes submitted by Jessica Pollock, SVYH Secretary September 15, 2023