

AYHA
Meeting Minutes
Monday, February 7, 2022
8:00PM

I. Attendees:

Board of Directors (Voting Members):

President: Royce Lawrence- present

Vice President: Nathan Brimmer- present

Treasurer: John Kilmer- present

Secretary: Margaret Lawrence- present

Boys Travel Director: Brian Seeley- present

Girls Travel Director: Renee Lochner- present

Ways & Means Officer: Justin St. John- present

House League/ ADM Director: Matt Authier- present

Committee Members:

Building Operations: Sean Monahan- present

Registrar: Melissa Clifford- present

ACE Coordinator: Matt Authier- present

Safe Sport Coordinator: Nathan Brimmer- present

Marketing: Vicki Bushy- present

Scheduler: Mark Cozzens- absent

Boys Tournament Coordinator: TBD

Girls Tournament Coordinator: TBD

Concessions Coordinator: Laura Bryant- present

Concessions Coordinator: Jaime Underwood- present

II. Opening:

A regular meeting of the Adirondack Youth Hockey Association (AYHA) was called to order by Royce Lawrence at 8:01PM via Zoom on Monday, February 7, 2022.

The girls Northstars tournament and A/AA tournament was a success. Our teams had a great showing and we did a great job with the tournament weekend.

III. Treasurer's Report- John Kilmer

- Justin did a great job getting checks
- We received a check for the Hoffman Carwash fundraiser. It totaled \$450.00.
- \$1,000 raised on the raffle baskets from the A tournament.

- A lot of ice rental for the Northstars tournament.
- A little bit in the negative for the month, but YTD ahead of where we were last year.
- Ahead in registration income compared to last year. It shows the association is growing numbers wise.
- Balance sheet is also ahead of last year.
- A new sound system is going to be installed in the Rec Center.

V. Committee Reports:

Northstars- Renee Lochner

- Four champions, one runner up in the Northstars tournament.
- 14U played in a tournament in Rochester and won their division.
- Girls teams are getting ready for states and are doing well!

Boys Travel Director- Brain Seeley

- B Tournament is getting organized for a few weeks.
- Mites travel guidelines are being put in place for next year.
- Some questions about 14U are in the process of being answered.

Registrar- Melissa Clifford

- Slow enrollment at this point in the season.
- MAC Goaltending is seeing a few more players.

Marketing- Vicki Bushey

- Next meeting we will work on advertising for next year. It will be an item on the agenda.
- If anyone has anything for Victoria to share on facebook please send her an email for social media promotion.

Concessions- Laura Bryant and Jaime Underwood

- Simplifying items for next year.
- Mid march we start downsizing. There are a few big events left with the B tournament and high school hockey. We will need to place maybe one more order to restock.
- They are going to clean/ reset the cash register to make sure it is all set.

Facilities- Sean Monahan

- Busy at the Rec for the last two tournaments.
- Pricing for new controllers.
- Future projects Sean is going to work on for the end of the season.

- Discussed floor and bathrooms future project. Need to coordinate with the city.

Scheduling- Mark Cozzens

- Reported by Royce and John.
- Gazillo Cup Kick off weekend. Increasing excitement around this tournament.
- Travel teams looking to book ice. Royce sent out an email asking for shut down dates. The ice is pulled April 1st. He is asking coaches to send those dates.
- Official shortage between burnout, state tournaments where officials are being pulled, lack of officials. Most officials are on 3-4 games a day. They are trying to do their best.
- B teams will get practice before their tournament.
- If you have questions or are looking for ice ask John Kilmer or Royce Lawrence.

Ways and Means- Justin St. John

- Sent a lot of invoices out and had a good return.
- Pull Hoffman Carwash fundraiser off of the website.
- Dasher Boards are installed. They look great.
- Have sponsors put on the website. Send logos.
- Sara Dilandro asked about food donations for schools. The items are specific. Justin is going to ask the city for approval. Justin is taking the lead on this.

House Program/ ADM- Matt Authier

- Gazillo Cup Kick Off- February 20th
- Squirt and Major house schedules need to be put out.
- End of the year planning for teams.

VI. New Business:

- Action Item: Dates for next year's tournaments A, AA, B, Girls Tournaments. Royce made a motion to approve. Brian seconds motion. Motion passes. Unanimous.
 - AA- November 10-13, 2022
 - Girls Tournament January 12-16, 2023
 - A Tournament January 20-22, 2023
 - B Tournament February 24-26, 2023

- Discussion Item: Contract with Helpren is up this summer. We would like to renew this contract. We need a simple service to allow teams to come in book hotel blocks, where AYHA makes money for each room. We are looking for an effortless experience and to find the right contract.
 - The contract are three year renewals.
 - If the locals can give us a good deal we consider it, but we stick to what we know that has been effective. Deadline of May 1st.
- Action Item: Tryout Dates
 - Royce made a motion to hold tryouts in the month of April for our entire travel association 10U-19U girls and boys.
 - John is against the motion. He is in support of 16U-19U. Kids at 10, 12, 14U. A 10U kid in the spring might be a different kid in the fall.
 - All yes except John Kilmer. Royce made a motion to hold tryouts in the month of April. All players AA and girls programming 14U-19U.
- End of Year Planning with Gazillo Cup: Kathleen Gebo and Matt Authier
- Discussion Item: Home Tournaments and Volunteers
 - Renee would like to look at redesign of volunteer hours. We have over 500 hours on Northstars weekend. They were divided by 45 families this year. It was a low number. Renee would like to explore the possibility of a penalty for not participating.
 - Have something in place before registration. Anyone who joins an AYHA team must work hours during a tournament.
 - Renee and Brian are going to work on language for the volunteer contract moving forward.
 - Clarification was provided about home tournaments. The hours do not count for their total hours.
- A motion was made for a home tournament committee. Margaret is the head of the committee and will be soliciting volunteers.
- Discussion Item: Majors House
 - Brian Seeley and Matt Authier are going to look into ways to continue to improve Majors House, for next season.
- Agenda Item: Can we schedule a checking clinic- asked by John Kilmer prior to April. This will be scheduled.

VII. Visitors Statements:

- N/A

VIII. Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Royce at 9:54PM. Nathan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- Minutes respectfully submitted by AYHA secretary, *Margaret E. Lawrence*, Monday, February 7, 2022.