

Verona Wildcats Youth Hockey Association Minutes

Thursday, December 17th, 2020

7:00pm via Zoom

Present: Jason Mattila, Earl Tollefson, Justin Temple, PJ Gregoire, Travis Richert, Erin Ludmer, Kristen Manning, Mike Bakalars, Wayne Pfahler, Brian Porter, Mindy O'Brien, Kari Brotzman, Brian Severson, Mark Markham, Todd Carlson, Desiree Bates, Mike O'Brien, Rob Vega, Sarah McCabe, Brandy Pierce, Brian Lindow, Craig Fey, Jamie Stebbeds, Eric Grudzinski



Call to order – Jason Mattila called meeting to order at 7:03

Approve Minutes from the October 2020 Meeting

Motion to approve the October minutes by Sarah McCabe, 2nd by Brian Severson, passed.

Ice Inc. Report – Mike O'Brien

Nothing to report.

Treasurer's Report – Travis Richert

Things are going well, collections are on target. Association is in the position to cover tournament fees for U8, U10, U12 with excess ice fees collected. We will be looking at ice fees and amounts collected by teams to ensure teams are being charged fairly. Motion to use excess ice funds to cover tournament fees by Rob Vega, 2nd by Wayne Pfahler

President's Report – Jason Mattila – New rink protocols discussed with regard to new public health order. Emphasis on moving forward slowly to stay compliant with Emergency Order #1. Going to one team on a sheet at a time instead of two. Practice goes to 50 minutes with 10 minutes between sessions, which opens up the sheet for one additional session per night. No hockey bags to help get players out of the rink sooner. Any questions from members can go to Jason, Justin or Rob. Teams should appoint a compliance person to ensure rules are being followed.

Committee Reports and updates

- a. **Fundraising** – Mindy O'Brien- Pizza sales 656 boxes sold. \$5332 profit. Online app worked well. Pizza being picked up on Monday outside of rink. Baskets from PNO and tournaments are going up on a silent auction next month.
- b. **Equipment** – Mark Markham- All good with equipment.
- c. **Coaches Committee** – Rob Vega- Nothing to report.
- d. **Ice Scheduler** – Earl Tollefson- Schedule set through December. One practice per team per week. Practices may fall on Saturday or Sunday if no game scheduled.
- e. **Website Update** – Kari Brotzman- Everything going well.
- f. **Concessions** – Brian Lindow- Still closed.
- g. **DIBS** – Vacant

- h. **Registrar's Report** – Mike Bakalars- Rosters being finalized. Reminders out for coaches to get certified.
- i. **Tournament Coordinators – N/A**
Nothing to report
- j. **Apparel** - Brandy Pierce-. Mavs apparel came in and color was off, so they can keep for 50% off or they can exchange.
- k. **Legal Counsel** – Brian Severson- No report.
- l. **Recruitment** – Desiree Bates- No report.
- m. **Communications** – Kristen Manning- No report
- n. **Region 4 Update** – Region meeting yesterday. WAHA making plans for state tournament. Some associations lost host privilege but will get first choice of tournament in 2023. Team managers will need to enter game scores into MyHockeyRankings which will be used for seeding for Playdowns. Logistics of holding games is still being worked out. May be spread out over multiple weekends. Mask mandate will continue, we are not allowed to play teams from states on a hockey pause.
- o. **COVID** – Current numbers: One skater out as positive case. 3 skaters out for close contact. Subcommittee did not meet in December. We need to consider busing policy, mirror HS busing protocols is a good start.
- p. **Update from ALD's**
 - LTP** – Brittany Grant- All good, back on ice this week.
 - U6** - Wayne Pfahler- First practice went well, good attendance.
 - RWB** - Brian Porter- Happy to be back on ice
 - Squirt** - Todd Carlson- All going well
 - Peewee** - Eric Grudzinski- Nothing to report
 - Bantam** – Craig Fey- All well
 - U14 Girls** – PJ Gregoire- All well. Emails out to A and B teams for ice fees. Still have interest from HS girls who can't play.
 - Midget** – Carolyn Carls No report.
 - Midget HS**- Sarah McCabe-. All well. 6 JV 7 Varsity games so far

Old Business- No old business

New Business- Let the Kids Play initiative contacted us to see if we would be willing to:

Conduit for information-

Attach our name to the initiative-May be problematic to participate in political activities. Discussion tabled to be revisited at a later date.

Election year for 2 Board Members to sit on Ice Inc. board. Craig Nelson and Justin Temple are up for reelection. Meeting for Ice Inc is next Monday. Board needs to nominate 2 members to sit on the board. Motion from Brian Severson, Kari 2nd for Justin Temple and Mike Bakalars to represent VWYHA on Ice Inc board. Motion passed.

Motion to Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Justin Temple , 2nd by Kari Brotzman, passed.
Meeting adjourned at 8:13pm.