

Watertown Hockey Association

9/4/24 - 6 PM

AGENDA

Board Of Directors	Executive Committee
Vega Nutting Michael Ledoux Chris Nethers, Learn to Play Liaison Tony Felder Jordan Reber Shane Caswell	Vega Nutting - Board President Michael Ledoux - Board Vice President Brian Nutting - WHA Treasurer Amanda Caswell- Secretary Michelle Rist - WHA Registrar Jonathan Rose - Ace Coordinator

- Establish Quorum Present- Majority of Directors (4 or more) required
Board members present- Vega, Shane, Jordan, Mike
Executive committee present- Michelle, Jon and Amanda
- Call Meeting to Order (**Vega**)
 - 6:10pm
- Approve Meeting Agenda and August 2024 Meeting Minutes (**Vega**)
 - Minutes will be approved at 9/18 meeting
- Officer Reports
 - Registrar (**Michelle**)
 - Registration numbers are low. 53 total registrations 8-14U. Historically WHA is usually at 150 by this time.
 - 6/8U-21
 - 10U-4
 - 12U-14
 - 14U-14
 - 16U-TBD
 - 18U-TBD Need to approve roster and get kids registered
 - Jersey order update
 - 28 orders confirmed and parents have until 8pm tonight to push order but need 75 jersey orders to get a discount of \$69; \$74/jersey set with no discount.
 - Concern about 4 week turn around time to get jerseys by beginning of play. Vega will send an email about registration to last year's players and need to get jersey order submitted.
 - Secretary (**Amanda**)
 - Need the directory completed of board and executive committee members.
 - Amanda will get with Vega to learn how to upload agendas and meeting minutes on WHA website
- Directors and Coordinator Reports

- None to report.
- Committee Reports
 - Finance/Budget Committee (**Brian**)
 - Budget will be available for 9/18
- Old Business
 - Ice Contract (**Vega**)
 - Ice user meeting on Wednesday for the rink. Vega will be representing WHA.
 - Figure skating is raising concerns about minor hockey ice usage and presented to city council. Mike Weller represented WHA at city council meeting. City wants to move to a 1 year contract. Vega will have an update at 9/18 meeting.
 - Open Positions Board and Committees (**Vega**)
 - No applicants for positions. Encourage managers and coaches to help identify people to ask to volunteer.
 - Golf Tournament Updates (**Vega**)
 - Saturday, September 7th event. Currently there are 15 teams registered.
 - Vega is getting food and liquor tomorrow and she has volunteers for everything.
 - It was requested that board members volunteer or play. Send volunteering interest to Vega or Shane Wizner.
 - Status of 16U & 18U refunds from last year (**Tony**)
 - Michelle and Vega will have to submit checks for refunds
 - List was provided to Vega and checks will be issued by September 9th.
 - Ice Schedule (**Vega**)
 - Mercedes and Vega will meet regarding ice schedule tomorrow.
 - Ice is scheduled to be in on 16th or 17th. City Website should have it updated as well. WHA will put on Facebook page as soon as we hear from city.
 - Girls' Program (**Amanda**)
 - *24 girls registered*
 - 6U-1
 - 8U-3
 - 10U- 3
 - 12U-7
 - 14U-6
 - 16U- 2
 - 18U-2
 - 2 female coaches from TI area and 3 from Watertown are interested
 - Met with Salmon River to present program
 - Supported program and want to be sure this is a North Country Team
 - We will be reaching out to girls that showed interest last year
 - Requested email of all girls currently registered for current season and 2023-24 season

- 18U Collaboration with TI for Tournament Bound Team **(Vega)**
 - An electronic vote was taken after the last meeting; motion was to create a collaborative team with TI:
 - Ayes- 1
 - Nays- 5
 - Abstentions- 0

- 8/10U Coaching **(Vega)**
 - Current Coaches:
 - 6/8-
 - 10-
 - 12- Griff Beirdron
 - 14-Randy Comenole
 - 16-John Rose
 - 18U- Josh Van Brocklin
 - Robert Degrand had expressed interest in coaching at 10U
 - Jordan is going to reach out to gage his interest

- New Business
 - 6/8U Coaching
 - Email the current 8U and 2023-24 group to gage interest from parents.
- Other Business:
 - Describe qualification for head and assistant coaches. Clarify qualifications.
 - Revisit at 9/18 meeting
 - How does Jon Rose, ACE Coordinator, get access to coaches' training and safe sport training?
 - Options to get information from Vega and Michelle
 - Suggested to develop a Sport Engine site for Coaches so he can communicate with them. Michelle will create and extend to board members and managers.
 - Practice will open on September 16th or 17th
 - Next meeting September 18th, 6pm

- Action Items:
 - Vega and Amanda will meet to go over how to upload information on the WHA website.
 - Vega will send out budget
 - Vega will meet with Mercedes to finalize the ice schedule
 - Michelle will develop a sport engine team for Coaches, board, and managers
 - Vega will send out 16/18U refunds by Monday, September 9th.
 - Michelle will send a list of current and last year girls' email contacts to Amanda for Valkyrie announcement.

- Meeting Adjournment
 - Vega: 1st motion to Adjourn meeting
 - Jordan: 2nd motion Adjourn meeting
 - Ayes: 4
 - Nays: 0
 - Meeting adjourned at 7:16pm

Respectfully submitted by: Amanda Caswell, Secretary

