

Sioux Falls Youth Hockey Association

Board of Directors Meeting

October 13, 2021 6:30pm

Sanford Conference Room – SCHEELS IcePlex

President Adam Gorra called the Sioux Falls Youth Hockey Association Board of Directors meeting to order. Board members in attendance were Adam Gorra (President), Sam Everson (Vice-President), Lindsay Erickson (Treasurer), Ed Davis (Secretary), Dave Carlson (City League Director), Mark Bukovich (Travel League Director), Chad Dykstra (Member at Large), Derek Berg (Development Director) and Amanda Smith (Director of Tournaments). Quorum was present. Dan Houck (Director of Hockey), Cherry Hunter (Executive Assistant) and Penny Malwitz were also in attendance.

Open Forum – Penny Malwitz noted the USA Hockey National High School Tournament is a great opportunity for players and feels attendance is important.

Secretary's Report – Lindsay Erickson made a motion to approve the September 8, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting minutes as submitted. Motion seconded and carried.

Treasurers Report – Lindsay Erickson – Lindsay presented Balance Sheet as of October 12. Lindsay noted expenses are holding steady and increased registration is apparent.

Director of Hockey – Dan Houck

- met w/ Mike Riedel regarding ICL coaching and practice times
- ran and oversaw SFYHA travel tryouts and oversaw placement for all travel players
- ran tryout parent meetings
- attended Travel League Fall parent meeting
- met w/ Squirt Blue travel coaches regarding season plan/coaching needs
- secured Valeriia Manchak as a coach for Lady Flyers
- did supplemental evaluations for two High School Flyers
- planned and ran all DOH clinics
- planned/ran all Power Skating clinics
- Issues with parents following tryouts have been handled with parent/player meetings
- Recommended Squirt tryouts be hosted a different week from PeeWee & Bantam evaluations. Just too many kids.

Admin Report – Cherry Hunter

- o Fall Kick-Off – September 12 from 2:00-4:00pm / Great attendance and thanks to New York Life for the wonderful SDSU Ice Cream!!
- o High School National Tournament – **Action Item:** Need to notify SDAHA by November 1. Youth Varsity League Champions are to attend the tournament. Pure teams – all players attend the same high school. Combined team – players do not attend the same high school. There are more openings for the Pure section than for the Combined section. Tourney fee cost is \$1500. Players need to participate in 5 of 20 scheduled games to be eligible. Members were not certain if coaches carried the same requirements. Fundraisers could be created to help with funding for the tournament. Chad made a motion for SFYHA to commit attendance to the National High School Tournament to be held in Dallas, Texas, if either of the Flyers Varsity teams qualify. Motion seconded and carried.
- o Legends Grant – granted \$2000 for rental gear – gloves, shin guards & elbow pads.
- o Practice Schedule – Version R includes changes on Tuesday nights to accommodate growth
- o Scheels IcePlex Seasonal Ice Rental Agreement signed and returned to Brian Prisbe.
- o 143 Ice slots are needed for game times at the IcePlex this season. 130 for SFYHA and thirteen for Brandon Hockey
- o Will inform ICL and ACL players we have hockey gear available. Lots of larger items are in our storage.

Presidents Report – Adam Gorra

- Augustana Ice Facility – Adam is serving on the Community Engagement Committee & will be attending monthly meetings. First meeting will be held next week. The Augustana ice arena is being built by contractor who created the Colorado College Arena.
- Sanford Contract with SFYHA – Adam will reach out to Jeff F with plans to meet with him regarding SFYHA contract with Sanford. Derek Berg will attend the meeting as well.

Agenda Items:

- Office/Storage/Dryland Space Plans – Adam Gorra reported no updates at this time. ISA appreciated the Flyers Wish List.
 - Two locker rooms for the high school boys with shower
 - Two locker rooms for the high school girls with shower
 - 5-6 shooting lanes
 - Off ice training space
 - Storage, Storage, Storage
 - Office for staff
 - Classrooms
 - Puck Club / Sponsorships / Raffle Updates – Derek Berg – 24,000 pucks shot!!!!!! Keep shooting thru October 31. Work needs to be done to secure Varsity Game Sponsors.
 - Tournament Updates – Amanda Smith – Amanda reported there is not a wait list for Squirt A or Bantam A. She is working on vendors and apparel presales. On the Spot will be on site to create apparel during the tournaments. Amanda has secured player gifts for the tournaments – pucks with tournament logo – 750 of them!
 - PeeWee Tournament – Request to increase number of teams participating. Members noted
 - Atoms, Mites and ICL, our own kids, lose ice to non-Flyers players
 - Increase from 4 to 5 games will bring the tournament start to Friday morning. Players will be missing full day of school.
 - DIBS & Volunteers – historically difficult to find ample volunteers for tournament DIBS tasks.
 - Referee demands and increased need during midst of league season
 - Slim chance of increased profit – increase of 14 hours for ice time.
 - Must stay with current pricing for registration
 - Profit more from Room Roster as teams will need to arrive Thursday instead of Friday
 - Tournament reputation – will exceed expectations
 - Friday – 8 games / Saturday 2 games per team / Sunday 1 game per team
- Ed Davis made a motion to approve more teams and more ice for the PeeWee Tournament scheduled for Jan 28-30. Motion seconded. Motion carried with one no vote from Adam Gorra.
- Grievance & SafeSport Policy – Amber Chan & Sam Everson – Sam Everson presented Safe Sport Policies and Procedures. Noted – Need to have Grievance rep on Safe Sport hearings & addition of female to the Grievance Committee would be great. Derek Berg made a motion to approve the Sioux Falls Youth Hockey Association Safe Sport Policies and Procedures as presented. Motion seconded and carried.

No Action Items - FYI

Registration Updates – Registration Today – 713. Registration Oct 13, 2020 – 636 (77 More!!)

League	New	Returns	Totals
Mini-Atoms	30		30
Atom SS	10		10
Atoms	27	67	94
Mite City	16	48	64
Mite Travel		59	59
Squirt Travel		75	75
Girls 10U		16	16
ICL	18	51	69
PeeWee		66	66
Bantam		56	56
Girls 14U		19	19
Lady Flyers		19	19
High School		76	76
ACL	6	54	60

Between Meetings

COVID 19 Policy – Board members supported the recommendation from Adam Gorra for COVID 19 Policy. Oct 13, 2021

COVID 19 Policy – Adopted Oct 13, 2021

In accordance with South Dakota Department of Health Guidelines

Players with confirmed positive cases AND symptoms:

Players should quarantine for 10 days from the onset of symptoms. To come out of quarantine after 10 days, players should not have a fever for at least 24 hours and all other symptoms must have improved.

Players with confirmed positive cases WITHOUT any symptoms:

Players should quarantine for 10 days from the date the positive test was performed.

Sioux Falls Youth Hockey Association Mission:

To Motivate, Inspire and Encourage Athletic Participation and Good Health through Ice Sports

Meeting adjourned 8:35pm

NEXT MEETING
November 10, 2021 6:30 pm
Sanford Conference Room at the IcePlex

Respectfully submitted,
Cherry Hunter
SFYHA Executive Assistant

Adopted November 10, 2021 _____ by oral resolution at meeting / written correspondence
(Date) (Circle one)