

Apple Valley Hockey Association

Board of Directors Meeting

Oct 13, 2021



Board Members Present:

Jodi Oster, Emily Hindal, Ginger Lemke, Kevin Morris, Andrew Spencer, Brian Gibson, Brad Shear, Al Hatfield, Eric Robb, Jeremy Pries, Matt Czech, Brian Pazdernik, Randy Olson, Luke Korkowski

Board Members Absent:, Nick VanPelt

Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm by Spencer

Open Microphone– Spencer:

- N/A

Approval of the Sept 22nd, 2021 Minutes – Spencer:

- Approval of Sept 22, 2021 meeting minutes, motion by Morris, second by Pazdernik ; Approved

Gambling Report – Olson:

- Approval of September gambling report, motion by Pazdernik, second by Hindal; Approved
- Up to \$75K in operating expenses for November, motion by Hatfield, second by Hindal; Approved
- Proceeds of up to \$50k for October, motion by Pazdernik, second by Hindal; Approved
- Shooters partnership is up and running. Daytime business is slow and picks up at 4-5pm.
- Costs are rising for games (about 20% over last year). We're seeing increases everywhere and our monthly costs are up almost 50%.
- Bingo continues to go well.

Treasurer's Report – Korkowski:

- Teams won't have checkbooks this year. Bantam A has outstanding fees from last season.
- Approval of the September Treasurer's Report, motion by Pazdernik, second by Hatfield; Approved
- New camera system for Rapid Shot at the training center is working well.

Recruiting and Retention – Lemke:

- Intro to Hockey went well. We had 19 for AV and 16 have registered for the season.
- Working on Try Hockey for Free event and will partner with Eastview. Flyers in Friday folders will go out this week. New lawn signs are being designed.
- Will also host a Try Hockey for Free event in the Spring.
- This weekend is the Girls event. Prizing being provided by local businesses.
- USA Hockey offers a Pass the Puck program in which the association receives \$2,500 for implementing recurring recruitment programs/events. We should be eligible and will ensure qualifying events are scheduled.

D8 Update – Robb:

- No recent meeting.
- MN Hockey will cover fees for Game Sheet for 1 year (\$110 per team). Invitation codes will be sent to level coordinators.
- Teams are responsible for setup on Game Sheet.
- Hockey Ref scheduler, Denny Hyster, will be attending one of our upcoming meetings.

HDC Update: Pries

- Working through resolution for the abundance of Squirt goalies.
- Working through a couple of issues at the Bantam and Girls levels.
- PeeWee & Bantam tryouts are complete.
- Working on post-evaluations.
- Had a broken arm at the Pee Wee level and the player is coming back soon.
- Tryout evaluation notes can be requested by families from level coordinators.

Level Updates:

- Goalie: Gibson
 - o Finalizing goalie equipment packages. Have 1 left.
 - o We need 1 left-handed package and many stores have shortages.

- Girls: Korkowski
 - o A couple of families have raised concerns after tryouts. Will be looking into this further and ensure the process was followed.
 - o Still need a coach for U12 at the B2 level.
- Mites: Hindal/VanPelt
 - o Westwood is out of black breezers and handing out blue. Will look for alternative.
 - o Jerseys have been printed and we'll have them in time for games.
 - o Working on Sports Engine schedules.
 - o Clinics have started for Mites Plus and today is Day 2.
 - o Wild intermission skate has been scheduled and we have 13 of 16 spots filled.
- Squirt: Pazdernik
 - o Tryouts in progress.
- Pee Wee: Shear
 - o Tryouts completed last Friday.
 - o Non-parent coach found for the Pee Wee C team.
- Bantam: Robb
 - o Practice has started for all teams.
 - o One grievance was filed.
 - o Good feedback from evaluators.

Jersey Update – Spencer

- Should arrive at the end of Oct or early Nov. K1 will inspect before they're distributed.

Electronic Scoring Update – Spencer

- Covered in D8 update above.

Grievance Committee Update – Gibson

- Bantam grievance filed. Supplemental evaluation will be scheduled.

Actions/Next Steps/Misc – Spencer

- Helmet stickers will be provided to level coordinators.
- Level coordinators should ensure all coaches are up-to-date in the system with all necessary training & background check.
- We'll be hosting the Squirt A District Playoffs. Looking at March 14-21 at Hayes and D8 will provide sample schedules for a 12-team format. Should have additional detail next meeting.
- If teams will be purchasing alternate jerseys, a design request must be submitted to the Board for approval.

Meeting Adjourned – Spencer:

- Motion to adjourn at 8:28 pm by Robb, second by Pazdernik; Approved.

Next meeting is scheduled for Wed. Nov. 10th, 2021 at 7:00 pm online via Google Meeting OR in person at AV Community Center. Meetings continue monthly through the season.