

# PRINCETON YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

“Team First – Integrity – Grit – Engaged – Respectful”

## Monthly Board Meeting Agenda / Minutes

September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 @ 6:30 pm

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1. **CALL TO ORDER:** - 6:32 pm
  2. **ATTENDANCE:** Becky Krueger, Missy McAlpine, Jeremy Uhrich, Joe Hostrawser, Nick Schuett, Zach Welding, Dylan Sweeney, Amber Wilkinson, Nikki Cook, Brittany Stearns, Ben Heath, Craig Ballensky, Roman Schmidtke, Matt Plasch, Corey Murphy, Chris Gadacz
  3. **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF GAMBLING REPORTS** (*Amber Wilkinson, Gambling Manager*)  
Clydes is up and running. We need weekend staff to run events (i.e., Bingo, Meat Raffles, Horse Races) at our sites. Old Jersey’s will be hung at our gambling sites. New gambling site posters and coupons for the arena are in process. The Dirty Blonde sign is up at the arena and the Clydes sign is in the works. Ben Heath motions to approve LG1004, Nick Schuett seconds. All in favor, motion passes. Brittany Stearns motions to approve transfer of \$15,000 for bills, Corey Murphy seconds. All in favor, motion passes.
  4. **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES** (*Brittany Stearns, Secretary*)  
Nick Schuett motions to approve August meeting minutes, Becky Krueger seconds. All in favor, motion passes.
  5. **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF TREASURER REPORT** (*Jeremy Uhrich, Treasurer*)  
Becky Krueger motions to approve the treasurer’s report, Nick Schuett seconds. All in favor, motion passes. Discussed our mortgage payment structure and funds on hand at any given time. Looking into liquid CD options.
  6. **PRESIDENT’S REPORT** (*Joe Hostrawser*)  
Two days of tryouts completed. Tryout evaluators are very happy. We need to keep pushing LRM DIBS.
  7. **VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT** (*Becky Krueger*)  
PYHA Online Feedback Form: suggestion to update the press box painting with our logos (PYHA, PBBL and PHS) was submitted. Looking into options to move painting or cover with banner containing logos. Dicks Gift Cards received and provided to equipment manager(s) to use for additional youth (Tiny Tiger/Mite) equipment. Applied for MN Legacy Fund Grant for our West Rink Dehumidifier. 17 players completed the 10K puck challenge and their names have been added to the wall. They will be acknowledged and receive concession gift cards at the Season Kick Off Party on the 28<sup>th</sup>.
  8. **ARENA/ADVERTISING MANAGER REPORT** (*Missy McAlpine*)  
New arena maintenance staff added to the team. West Rink dehumidifier is back in action for now. Jeremy and Dylan reached out to other companies for quotes and the quote received from SCR is the best. Need to meet with SCR regarding next steps and possible payment plan. SCR built and placed a custom pan under ERV to catch dripping water. SCR is still waiting on parts for the west cooling tower. One furnace and water heater pipes repaired/replaced. Still waiting on Charlie to repair the lifted rubber flooring and then the toilet can be reset. Ice install went smoothly as did the startup of the compressor. Chamber of Commerce reached out asking for Christmas Tree Sponsors for the Light Up Princeton display. Cost: \$50, we supply the 6’ artificial tree and decorate with weather resistant decorations. All in favor. One idea for decorating is a hockey theme that also showcases our sponsors/gambling sites. Tree is due 11/9/24.
  9. **DISTRICT 10 REPORT** (*Joe Hostrawser*)  
Final declarations are due on 10/3, there is a 2 week grace period allowing scrimmages if needed. D10 Coach and Manager meetings are on the PYHA Calendar and website. Coaching CEP Classes will end on 12/15/24, they are being added regularly for one month out. Travel Roster Sign Off is 10/27/24. SHRA will bill PYHA directly for referees this year.
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10. **BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**
    - **Away Tournament Coordinator**, *Becky Krueger/Brittany Stearns* – if any initial declarations were to change, tournaments would have to be rescheduled. This is a tedious process as nearly all tournaments are non-refundable.
    - **Communications Coordinator**, *Becky Krueger* – communications this past month included preseason, Preskates, tryouts, apparel store. Social media posts this past month included a time lapse video of the ice installation and fun videos with some of our Peewees and Girls.

- **Equipment Manager**, *Dylan Sweeney/Jeremy Uhrich* – Equipment room cleaned and organized, still need to go through shoulder pads/chest protectors. Organized skates and helmets by size. Needs: youth helmets, youth gloves, 20" goalie sticks and possibly a quick change goalie set. The first Equipment Handout will be Friday 9/27/24 from 5:30 – 7:30 pm.
- **Fundraising Coordinator**, *Corey Murphy* – Goons 4 Good check for \$8,150 received, still need to pay for ice time. Concessions/Beer Sales from that weekend were \_\_\_\_\_. Fundraising packets and raffle tickets were handed out during tryouts. They will continue to be handed out during Preskates for girls and Mites. Prices didn't print on Poinsettia order form so Becky will send out an association email with the prices. Taps for Tigers Brewfest date has been set (5/17/25). Reaching out to 400 breweries and hoping to get 50. Reconnecting with Sunken Ship regarding their interest in being the Flagship Brewery. Fundraising store links will be added to the fundraising page.
- **Game Sheet Coordinator**, *Brittany Stearns* – iPads have been updated and Gamesheet was uninstalled and reinstalled on each iPad.
- **Girls Program Coordinator**, *Becky Krueger* – 10U declaration may be changed to B2. Preseason dryland has wrapped, they had a good turn out and the girls enjoyed it. The HDC and Girls Co-Op decided on coaches for the season: 12U Mike Krueger, 10U Cameron Carson and 8U Kyle Haller.
- **Hockey Director**, *Nick Schuett* – PYHA Coaches meeting set for Monday 10/7 @ 7 pm (location TBD). Discussed coaching applicants and Head Coach interviews that will take place 9/23 – 9/27. Tryout evaluators have been happy with the tryout process thus far.
- **Home Tournament Coordinator**, *Corey Murphy* – nothing new to report
- **Mite/8U Coordinator (On-Ice)**, *Ben Heath* – D10 Mite Meeting took place on 9/11/24. A, B and 8U will be allowed 7 full ice games after 1/15/25. 4 will be regular league play and the other 3 will be in jamborees. Email sent to those interested in coaching Mites/8U asking them to complete their coaching requirements. Mite Assessors/Graders have been identified: Dylan Sweeney, Chris Hetland, Joe Woolhouse and Nick Schuett along with assistance from prior mite coaches.
- **Mite Jamboree Coordinator**, *Danielle Murphy* – did not attend
- **Mite/8U Coordinator (Off-Ice)**, *Zach Welding* – practice groups have been formed. Jerseys and socks are being ordered this week (decided on two colors with tri color logo). Parent Meetings have been set. Have 5 jersey sponsors so far and looking for a total of 12. Lettermen store(s) should be live this week.
- **Outdoor Ice Manager**, *Jon Stenslie* – did not attend
- **Recruitment Coordinator**, *Dylan Sweeney* – Try Hockey for Free (THFF) event set for 11/2/24 from 11:00 am – 12:00 pm; too early to discuss the possibility of hosting on 2/22/25
- **Referee Coordinator**, *Joe Hostrawser/Jeremy Uhrich* – 8 youth referees from last year plan to return and 2 new youth referees plan to join this year. Looking for 10-12 youth referees max.
- **Registration/Team Manager Coordinator**, *Brittany Stearns* – Board Roster was submitted to D10. Discussed final registration #'s. Discussed the need for more LRMs per level or rosters won't get signed off. Discussed how to handle this next year. Recapped the SportsEngine payment issue that affected 17 families and the work around to resolve. No D10 registrar meeting this year. Travel Roster sign off on 10/27/24.
- **Scheduling Coordinator (Practice)**, *Joe Hostrawser* – In progress
- **Scheduling Coordinator (Games)**, *Missy McAlpine* – In progress, blocked all ISD 477 events, once coaches have accepted roles, need to know ASAP of any conflicts they have (i.e., vacations), differing game lengths add challenges to scheduling, available ice report is not something that is readily available to all but can be shared (can also change in an instant)
- **Tiny Tigers Director**, *Zach Welding/Nick Schuett* – 24 currently registered – will order jersey's once closer so #'s are accurate
- **Volunteer Coordinator**, *Corey Murphy* – LRMs needed; will be adding PW/Bantam Jamboree and HS ticket sales to DIBS soon
- **Website Coordinator**, *Becky Krueger* – New logo reveal, link to 24-25 D10 Handbook, D10 Coach/Manager meetings added, PYHA Coach Meeting added, Fundraising links will be added, Gambling sites have been updated

## 11. NEW ITEMS

- **SportsEngine Cost Increase/Move to Crossbar:** SportsEngine costs are increasing by 3X for next season. Functionality and support are not great. Requested more information and a future demo from Crossbar. A few associations within D10 have made the move to Crossbar.
- **Kickoff Party to Do's:** Jeremy has reserved a tent – will need help setting it up on 9/27/24. Jeremy will handle the Cornhole tournament (15 teams, \$20 per person/\$40 per team, 100% payout – prizes for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> – single elimination – need boards. Greg Luhman will do music for volunteer hours – just needs a speaker. 4 vendors for the craft fair.
- **Checking vs Savings:** Discussed and noted in Item #5 Treasurer's Report – more discussion to follow
- **Skating Progression and Puck Progression:** Dwindling #'s, need to rebrand and have open to all travel age players. \$50 for 8 sessions and 20 max participants.
- **Coaches Room/Space for Male Coaches of girl teams/girl players on boys teams:** Don't want to hodge podge the room together. Waiting for proper funding to fully revamp the space is ideal. Okay to frame and insulate old doorway, will continue to utilize for overflow as needed (busy mite game days, girls from co-ed teams, male coaches of girls teams etc.)
- **2025 Goons 4 Good Tourney:** planning to host again – pushed back one weekend to 08/22/25 – 08/24/25
- ~~**PYHA Financials (Chris Gadeck) (Moved to October agenda)**~~

12. **ADJOURN:** - Nick Schuett motions to adjourn at 9:04 pm, Corey Murphy seconds.