

Sun Prairie Youth Hockey Association
Board of Directors Approved Minutes
08-24-2008
The Rink 7-10:00 pm

Attendance – Board Members:

President – Jon Elvy	High School Rep – Mark Dammen
President Elect – Jason Harkins	Bantam Rep – vacant
Past President – Tom Fonfara - absent	Pee Wee Rep – Michelle Welch
Treasurer – Chris Formisano	Squirt Rep – Tracy Butcher
Secretary – Michael Sanders	Mite Rep – Jim Tuttle
	Girls Rep – Jeff Sefzik
	In house Rep – David Carlson – absent
	In house Rep – Chris Herwig

Executive Director – Steve Hanrahan

Others: Brian Scheid, Tom Lee, Jeff Thornton, Steven McCrary, Patty Winger, Kimberly Trent, Rachel Steen, Colleen McCoshen, Shad Kernan

AGENDA REVIEW: Elvy opened the meeting stating before any motions are made, comments will be asked for from the audience.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Kimberly Trent brought in an advertisement from Middleton's Good Neighbor Days showing youth hockey booths and encouraged SPYHA to do the same at Corn Fest in the future.

Shad Kernan believes SPYHA should become involved in Sun Prairie parades.

Jeff Thornton stated Sun Prairie Boy Scouts made about \$1000 – 2000 at a dunk tank at Corn Fest.

Patty Winger can assist in getting a list from schools for any handouts SPYHA would like to pass out to elementary students concerning youth hockey. She also mentioned a disclaimer which needs to be on each handout.

Jim Tuttle can print and sort any handouts for free.

Jason Harkins has someone willing to design the elementary school handouts and Day at the Rink publicity.

REPORTS: Secretary, Treasurer, Level Reps – nothing to report

President – Elvy discussed the activities of the Executive Directors Committee during the month of August. He also announced Brian Scheid has volunteered to head up the concession stand for the upcoming season. Brian will be scheduling some volunteer

opportunities for members to clean and reorganize the concession stand. More information will follow via emails and the website. Emil's Pizza is very interested in becoming a part of the SPYHA concession stand as well as the Day at the Rink event and possibly as a fund raiser event to reduce dues.

President Elect – Harkins discussed 2 script options. Simplified Script would require less effort on SPYHA part but give us a smaller percentage in return when compared to Great Lakes Script. He also stated Beef O'Bradys and Eddie's Ale House have agreed to purchase banners in the rink.

Executive Director – Hanrahan passed around a thank you SPYHA received from the fundraiser for Bryan Heins. He then stated Region 4 hockey wants to come to a SPYHA monthly meeting in the next few months. On September 6th, WAHA will host its annual Hall of Fame inductees and Golf Benefit.

OLD BUSINESS, TREASURER: Following a brief autobiography from Chris Formisano, Elvy made a motion to appoint Formisano treasurer, seconded by Butcher. Motion passed.

BANTAM REP: Elvy has been in contact with Geoff McClosky about finding his replacement. Patty Winger is interested in being the Bantam representative. Motion made by Sefzik, seconded by Welch to appoint Winger Bantam rep. Motion passed.

FUNDRAISING: The next fundraising meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 26, 2008 at 7:30 pm at the Cannery.

WEBSITE: Members need to register as website users in order to "customize" the website to meet their needs. September 2, 2008 is the target date for beginning to register athletes for the 2008-2009 hockey season. Two ads are currently sold on the new website.

MITE C: Steve has a completed description of the Mite C program available.

VOLUNTEERING: Sanders showed board numbers on potential savings (\$14,000) and potential income (\$25,000). After much discussion, the board decided not to make volunteering mandatory. Both emails and the website will be used to communicate volunteer opportunities to the membership.

NEW BUSINESS TASK TIMELINE/PLANNING CALENDAR: Elvy distributed a timeline of upcoming events to the board.

REGISTRATION DATE AND PROCESS: Registration for the 2008-2009 season will begin on or about September 2, 2008 and conclude on September 25, 2008. Members will be able to pay in full or in 2 installments with a credit card online. Members will also be able to pay by check or credit card at the rink during designated times.

PLAYER DUES: Motion by Tuttle, second by Harkins to accept the following dues for the 2008-2009 hockey season. Motion passed.

LTP 1	\$165.00
LTP 2&3	\$235.00
LTP 4 (SPHL)	\$315.00
Mite A	\$730.00
Mite C	\$215.00 + \$315.00 for SPHL
Squirt A	\$730.00
Squirt B	\$730.00 + \$100 (SPHL optional)
Squirt C	\$730.00
PeeWee	\$815.00
Bantam	\$840.00
HS2	\$840.00

Travel players are responsible for purchasing hockey socks and home jersey in addition to above listed dues.

Motion to give LTP 1 athletes a free season pass to open skate by Winger, second by Sefzik. Motion passed.

PLAYER EVALUATION PROCESS: Butcher asked Hanrahan to explain the tryout process. SPYHA believes the head coach needs to pick his/her team. When possible, Hanrahan gets the "A" coach at each level to be in control of the tryouts at that level. Coaches analyze both individual skills as well as game like situations, ranking (and re-ranking) athletes after every session. Hanrahan has a form which is given to each head coach. This form will be posted on the website before tryouts in an attempt to ease uncertainty going into tryouts.

TRAVEL COACHES: Motion by Sefzik, second by Butcher to approve the following coaches for the 2008-2009 season. Motion passed.

LTP 1 Lead Coach:	Bob Houle
LTP 2&3 Lead Coach:	Ryan Burke
Mite A Head Coach:	Shad Kernan
Mite A Asst. Coach:	Scott Halbleib
Mite A Asst. Coach:	Jason Harkins
Mite C:	open
Squirt A Head Coach:	Steve Lane
Squirt A Asst. Coach:	Mike Sanders
Squirt A Asst. Coach:	Tim Bass
Squirt B Head Coach:	Ron Miller
Squirt C:	open
PeeWee A, B, C:	open

Bantam A Head Coach:	Troy Giesegeh
Bantam A Asst. Coach:	Jeff Zupansic
Bantam B:	open
HS2 Head Coach:	Mark Waitkus
HS2 Asst. Coach:	Derek St. Claire

Hanrahan will email SPYHA Board members throughout the month of September with any additional coaching candidates for approval.

PROGRAM PLANS: Hanrahan announced the following changes to the official team/program descriptions: Addition of a Bantam B team. LTP 1 will have 16-18 on ice sessions of 45-60 minutes in length. LTP 2-3 will have 24-26 on ice sessions of 45-60 minutes in length. Addition of the Mite C team.

Motion by Winger, second by Butcher to approve the following tournaments for the 2008-2009 season. Motion passes. Tournaments are subject to change if they happen to already be full.

Mite C:	@ Fond du lac, March 13-15, 2009
Mite A	Cardinal Cup Dec 5-7, 2008: @ Onalaska Jan 30-Feb 1
Squirt C	@ Winona Jan 16-18; @ Wausau Feb 20-22
Squirt B	@ Fond du lac Dec 5-7; @ Winona Jan 16-18
Squirt A	Cardinal Cup Dec 5-7; @ Rice Lake Jan 9-11
PeeWee C	@ Winona Dec 5-7; @ Eau Claire Jan 9-11; @ Wausau Feb 20-22
PeeWee B	@ Winona Dec 5-7; @ Baraboo Jan 16-18; @ Wausau Feb 27-Mar 1
PeeWee A	@ Somerset Dec 5-7; @ Menomonie Jan 16-18; Home Feb 20-22
Bantam B	@ Baraboo Dec 5-7; @ Stevens Point Jan 16-18; @ FDL Feb 20-22
Bantam A	@ Somerset Dec 5-7; Home Jan 16-18; @ Wausau Jan 30-Feb 1
High School 2	@ West Bend Jan 16-18; @ Onalaska Feb 20-22

TASK TIMELINE: Harkins, Winger, Tuttle, Thornton target second week of school for mailer to elementary schools.

Formisano to meet with Colleen Hodgson.

Hanrahan to get tryout information (coaches' guidelines) to webmaster.

DAY AT THE RINK: Jeff Thornton, membership fundraising committee chairperson, announced Saturday, September 20, 2008 will be the first annual Day at the Rink. The event will take place from 2pm until 7pm. Events include: open skating, kids' games, beer tent, food, raffle, guest speaker(s) and an "unveiling" of the new facility. Volunteer opportunities will be available and posted on the website.

Next board meeting is September 28, 2008 7pm at rink.

Michael Sanders
SPYHA Secretary