

GSYHA

Board Meeting Minutes • March 12, 2018

Yampah Mountain High School

The meeting was called to order at 5:39 p.m.

Board members present: Bryan Gonzales, Peter Guy, Leigh Kauffmann, Jay Mencimer, Tiffany Ottosen, Joy Porter, Amy Roberts, Hamilton Tharp, Phil Weir, Julie Wilson and Director, Timothy Kwiatkowski.

1. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the meeting held on February 5, 2018 were approved unanimously.

2. Guests wishing to address the board

Greg Albrecht spoke to the board regarding his feelings on the December board meeting. Greg feels GSYHA can promote better communication to members.

3. Director's Report – February 2018

CAHA

- State tournament will be held March 9th – March 11th (*weekend 1 qualifiers*), and March 17th & 18th (*weekend 2, for teams that make final 4*).

CHSAA High School

- CHSAA Hockey Board approved GSHS to compete at the (still needs to go to legislative board 4/26).
- New sport application to be submitted to Re-1 3/9.
- Re-1 School Board meeting 3/14, open forum for parents & players to speak.
- Final Re-1 decision will be announced at the April 11th school board meeting.

CDYHL/CCYHL

- League Playoff results
 - Midget 18U: Champions
 - Midget 16U: 3rd Place (*lost in semi-final game*)
 - Bantam A: 2nd Place (*lost in Championship game*)
 - Pee Wee A: 3rd Place (*lost in semi-final game*)
 - Pee Wee B: 6th Place (*out of 12 teams*)
 - Squirt A: Consolation Champions/4th place (*out of 9 teams*)
 - Squirt B: 7th Place (*out of 8 teams*)
- 2018/2019 Season Opportunity
 - There is a potential opportunity of the 5 original CDYHL associations to move into the CCYHL, a merger we have been talking about for 2 years.
 - The associations contemplating this move are; Aspen, Glenwood, Steamboat Springs, Summit County & Vail.
 - Director conference call will be scheduled mid-March (*after all playoffs*) to discuss in further details.
 - Many questions will need to be answered by CCYHL before we can commit to this move, no decisions need to be made at this time

Disciplinary Update

- 10U Squirt
 - There was an incident at the Squirt age level, where a few (3) players carried rough on-ice behavior into the locker room.
 - The incident was investigated by the Director, and met with all players in question (*along with pertinent coaching staff*).
 - All players admitted they were wrong in their actions, and we utilized this as a learning experience along with an attempt to help build team camaraderie.
 - No further disciplinary actions were implemented towards the players.
- SafeSport Implications
 - What *was* realized, is that in the short time between the players leaving the ice and the coaches putting away bumpers, picking up pucks, shuttling nets, etc., there was a period that the players were in the locker room unsupervised (*when this incident happened*).
 - The age level in question was required to adjust their post-practice procedure(s) to always have a coach in the locker room right after practice.
 - Furthermore, all travel coaches (*18U Midget to 10U Squirt*) were emailed a reminder from the Director & SafeSport Coordinator that locker rooms must always be supervised per GSYHA SafeSport policies.
- 16U Midget:
 - Director issued supplemental disciplinary action (*additional one-game suspension*) to a Midget 16U player whom received a one game suspension in a USA Hockey event (*total 2-game suspension*).
 - Disciplinary letter shared with BoD Executive Committee & 16U Coaching Staff.

Spring/Summer Hockey

- Denver University Pioneer Classic '09 Graduation Tournament
 - We are entered in the DU '09 Graduation tournament, for our Mites moving to the Squirt level next season.
 - Parent feedback has been good; we will finalize this event mid-March.
- Mountain Militia
 - Grizzly Hockey has approximately ½ dozen players participating in the MM HS Spring program.
- Rocky Mountain Hockey Schools
 - RMHS is offering an Elite Summer program, this information will be put online along with emailed to prospective families directly.
- Summer Camps
 - Director to work on a comprehensive Summer Hockey database to be housed on our webpage (*same as in previous seasons*).

Midget Fall Hockey (*regardless of CHSAA high school hockey*)

- Director to build a strong Fall Hockey program for our 18U players
- Compete in 4 fall tournaments, practice once a week (*on Saturdays*).
- Budget (*rough*) will be around \$600/player for this program.

Grizzly Special Events

- Spring Concert
 - Agenda item

- Grizzly Golf Tournament
 - Date & location confirmed 7/28 (*same format as last season*)
 - Title sponsor confirmed, Vectra Bank for \$500 (*funds already secured*)
- Strawberry Days
 - Event date June 15th – 17th
 - Parade entry confirmed & paid
 - Drink Booth confirmed, request to keep our previous location.
 - Possible fundraiser: load-in/load-out (*High School group?*)
 - More details from Strawberry Days reps coming soon
- Grizzly Raffle/Football Mania
 - A group of parents (*2018/2019 14U & 12U*) have asked if we could bring back the original format of our Grizzly Raffle.
 - With this, I explained we would need people to run it, along with talk to the BoD before we made any decisions (*Director gave them a timeline of April*)
 - The parent group *DID* volunteer to run the raffle if we go this direction
 - Status of our raffle license is in question (*did we renew?*).

4. Treasurer's Report

Jay sent in the taxes for the last fiscal year. We had been filing 990EZ, but cannot do that any longer. Our taxes will cost us \$2000 just to prepare now. We took in over \$200,000, which is the cutoff for the 990EZ. But we did get a deal, as the accounting firm only charged about half what they should have charged. Our receivables should be collected without incident, and we do have some bills still to pay, but we are doing good. We still have \$19,806 sitting around in an account, which can sit around for another couple of years, but at some point we need to decide what to do with that money.

5. Old Business

• Spring Concert Fundraiser

TK and Phil met and had discussed the Richie Furay concert. We didn't get any responses from the email they sent out, requesting volunteers to help. We've got 12 tickets sold (\$300) and need an aggressive marketing plan to make this thing happen, so that we don't lose money. The posters are ready to be printed, and the turnaround time is same day. Right now, we have spent \$3,750 in a non-refundable deposit. We could potentially spend \$7,000 on the event, plus associated insurance, food & beverage, etc.

The cancellation of the event was discussed, as we haven't made much headway since the inception of this idea. After much discussion, it was suggested that we could perhaps change the date of the event, which would buy us more time to secure corporate sponsorships. The contract will be checked tomorrow and we will see if the date change will be feasible.

6. New Business

• New BOD members

Tiffany was approached by a parent about joining the board and is wondering where we are with board recruitment. There is NO limit on how many persons can serve at one time, and we do not have any representation from the "younger" age groups, so perhaps we will need to start thinking about recruiting new members. All agreed that we need more members, as most of us are all "aging out" of the system. We don't need to solicit new members, but we should start accepting letters of intent.

7. Next Meeting

A work session is scheduled from 5:00-9:00 pm on Tuesday April 3, 2018 at Yampah Mountain High School. A regular meeting may be convened to take action on items if necessary.

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:11 p.m.