



**WAUKESHA COUNTY YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION**

BOARD MEETING MINUTE - NOVEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2023

1. **INTRODUCTIONS** Meeting called to order at 6:05 PM
2. **Board Member Attendance:** Tom G., Chris K., Patti E., Kurt H., Mike C., Emily Hill, Patrick K., Jaime R. & TJ Gannon
3. **Board Member Not in Attendance:** Jason Meyers
4. **Membership in attendance:** Dave Welsch, Jon Keller, Kristin Darwin, Jen Barker, Josh Wichrowski, Sarah Luedke, Brandy Kukurba, Levi Boehrig, Traci Mangini, Tyler Breckenridge, Rick Callies, & Nicholas Danko
5. **OCTOBER MEETING MINUTES- REVIEW AND APPROVE.** Patrick approved & Patti seconded.
6. **OCTOBER TREASURER REPORT: P&L Update:** Net income from speed camps \$9,600; Ice expense have been recognized from tryout ices; The golf outing brought in \$6,300; Sponsorships totaled approximately \$4,000; Winter classic has brought in \$4,800 since the beginning of season; Ice Expenses and ref fees have been realized; **Balance Sheet Update:** Current state is in good shape, cash and receivables are up this year as result of the change to when fees are paid, Some funds were moved to Money Market; AMFAM credits waiting to receive the final credits from the past season; **Updates:** Tax accountant working on tax return • Volunteer fees – some past due with late fees now, Reminder that unpaid late fees also count toward ineligibility at Jan 1 • Need process for off-ice reimbursements • All jersey orders have been billed • Wreath pick up 11/18 – credits will be posted shortly after • Sponsorships closed • Tournament account should be reviewed by Chris Kraft • Essay have been received and are being reviewed by leadership, winners to be announced at the January board meeting • Team managers submitting reports – will prepare summary for next meeting • 1 st installment fees due Dec 1<sup>st</sup>; Patti to discuss with Chris Kraft the off-ice training invoices. Patti wants to make sure reimbursement can happen ASAP. **REVIEW AND APPROVE.** Mike approved & Patrick seconded.

**MEMBERSHIP COMMENTS:** Brady Kukurba – Discussed American Family Fundraiser – Details below.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- A. **APPAREL STORE- REVIEW** – Since the launch what has been the feedback? Few parents have mentioned there is not enough women's gear, but like that gear can be purchased throughout the season. Tom is working to have the individual running the store attend a future board meeting.
- B. **GAMESHEET- ELECTRONIC SCORING** – Things have been running well to date. There are two points to note: If a change needs to be made after officials signature and game is closed, they must contact Emily Hill as a WHAH representative is the only one that can make the change once a game is closed; Secondly, if there is a change to the roster, please inform the other teams manager. If there are any utilization questions, start with the WAHA website first then the GAMESHEET's website.
- C. **AMERICAN FAMILY FUNDRAISER:** Brandy Kukurba is looking to recruit more families to work next seasons concession stands at American Family Field. The concession stand workers have the potential to earn between 8-13% of the specific concession stand earnings for the game and that is split amongst the crew. These funds can help reduce skater fees. This past season the organization worked (22) games and earned \$34K which is spread across the workers for the respective games. Typically, there are (5-8) people in a stand (starting 2 hours before game and ending ½ hour after the game.) WCYHA will be signing a new contract in the coming months and would like to know how many families would be interested in making sure we sign up for the appropriate number of games. To participate, you need to have an active skater in the organization. These credits are not paid out in cash and needs to go to a qualified organization. We need

to be conservative with the number of games to avoid financial penalties for not meeting our commitment, but games can be added. The organization does not make a profit from this fundraising opportunity, but the organization is contractually and financially responsible if we do not meet our commitment. Please check with your teams to gauge interest for next season. There will be an email going out to the organization regarding updated details of the program next year as well as on our Facebook page. Please contact Brandy if you are interested Phone (773)-759-1783 or [amfamcoord@gmail.com](mailto:amfamcoord@gmail.com).

## 7. UPDATES

- A. **PRESIDENT:** Several teams have already participated in few early season tournaments and games are underway heading in the positive direction. This has been the largest number of organizational changes we have experienced in years and are improving daily and getting new roles moving in the right direction; We have a 50th anniversary event coming up next season and would like to get feedback and interest to develop a committee to plan an event. Team reps please reach out to your teams to see if there is interest in helping develop an event for next year; December Board meeting: as in past years Tom has proposed cancelling the December meeting due December schedules and the holidays- **Board Approved.**
- B. **VP ON ICE:** PDP had their draft a few weeks ago; Admiral games have been scheduled and working to have an admiral player come to a practice; THFF took place, and had about 10 skaters participated with good feedback; A few coaches' meetings have taken place with good interaction. There are few more before the end of year and good feedback was received from participating coaches. Mike C. brought up at the meeting how we could evaluate the bantam challenges so we can make coaching corrections earlier in our skaters' development. There will be breakout groups in the next meeting and to discuss skill gaps; Meeting with Jason Herzog to finalize and publish December ices schedule.
- C. **VP OFF ICE:** Manager/scheduler meeting went well, Rosters are done and working on compliance to be done by 12/31; Positive coaching alliance website is a good resource; Scholarships winners are to be announced at the January board meeting; SafeSport requirement have been met across the organization for the one parent per family being SafeSport certified.
- D. **SECRETARY:** There will be a makeup picture night on Thursday November 9th at Naga-Waukee Ice Arena from 6-8 pm. Please remember to wear a black jersey and socks.
- E. **14U LEVEL DIRECTOR:** Positive start to the season for all Bantam level teams.
- F. **12U LEVEL DIRECTOR:** Sock sizing needs to be looked at as 75% of the sock needed to be exchanged; One family complained about the C1 level to C2 Level differences. Mike C. spoke with the family and explained the reasoning. Family would like to be part of the solution. Coaches are confident they will be better off by the end of the season; Goalies have been dual rostered to adequately support the teams if there are injury situations. Teams are doing well, good start to the season.
- G. **10U LEVEL DIRECTOR:** Games and tournaments underway with (3) total team at the Squirt level, there was concern among parents with # of kids on the ice during practice, but this has been figured out and things are going well. State Tournament Coordinator – Megan Mikula – looking for support from anyone with experience; Game sheet – has been so easy to use so far. Encourage people to use it and not be afraid.
- H. **8U/6U LEVEL DIRECTOR:** off to a good start with a large head count. My goal in the coming years is to have 150 kids. Winter classic registration is progressing.
- I. **GIRLS PROGRAM DIRECTOR:** Pretty quiet, looking at PDP girls to be dispersed through practices for more puck touches, which will be communicated to the families. Jamboree in the works and working on the Mite Classic. Will update website for girls' material, things are going well.

**Meeting Adjourned 7:07PM**