



Player Development Meeting – October 18th 2023

Present: Dan Selander, Mike Stang, Steve Barten, Chuck Andrews, Scott Martinka, Shannon Olmscheid, Charlie Orth, Dave Zimmer (Tory was not present)

Others: Mark Peterson, Amanda Peterson, Cory Zeiher,

1. Waivers.

- a. No approvals were granted from IP to squirts, the only way we could waiver up anyone was under a numbers waiver and the “C” team didn’t need numbers (no motion)
- b. IP Wavers from mini to mites - the PDC will be working with the IP coordinators to determine if any of the players are with the correct group regardless of age. This determination should happen over the next few weeks but is not restricted by any deadline. This also includes the introduction of a new skater that is in the upper limits of the IP program and the coordinator can ask to have the new skater work with the younger groups. PDC wants to place players that best fits their capabilities.
- c. PDC asks the board to look into loosening up the bylaws on waivers so there aren't as many constraints on how and when a player can be waived.

2. IP Recap

- a. The Numbers are still a bit low and we need to work on growing both locations but Paynesville’s numbers are concerning. Looking into additional ways to attract new players.

3. Beginner Camps

- a. A quick review and request that we have a strong presence at these events from all coaches. This is how we grow the program and we need more numbers. (no motions)

4. Head Coaches Meeting

- a. PDC is asking the Board to give guidance on how many games that they will pay for official (away games). The number of games that are able to be played increased but if they are all away games a team can incur additional fees.
- b. Non-parent coaches:
 - i. Ben - B1
 - ii. Emily – 12U
 - iii. Kevin – IP Richmond (PDC will be working on mentoring a few parent coaches to help take this on)
 - iv. Ron will not be returning for 2023-2024
- c. Pee wee B1 will need to work to get a full schedule and the PDC and other coaches are sharing contacts to help fill this schedule.

5. Evaluation Recap

- a. PDC overall feels good about the process and results for this year (no motions)

- i. Thing discussed
 - 1. Each year brings different issues, from play numbers to coaches.
 - 2. Team sizes are always hard and the PDC understands there may be some questions on the size of the Squirt and Pee wee teams.

6. New Business

- a. Dave Zimmer has step down from the PDC board effective immediately
 - i. No motions on how he will be replaced (pushed to November)
 - ii. Motion was made to move Charlie Orth to the IP Coordinator, (all members present were in favor – motion passed)
- b. Kevin Mooney asked the PDC to look to see what can be done to add more value to our camps and year overall.
- c. Kevin Mooney expressed that he will be helping with a donation that he wants to have earmarked to pay for all first-year coaches fee (IP level) to help get more engagement.