# Sun Prairie Youth Hockey Association Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022–6:00pm

Meeting called to order at 6:00pm Meeting was in person at Sun Prairie Ice Arena.

# **Board Members Present**

Past President – Eric Seidl

President - Tara Freund

President Elect – Ryan Dunt

Secretary - Kory Schulze

Treasurer – Julie Wetmore

Bantam Rep – Nicole Phillips

PeeWee Rep – Jennifer Billings

Squirt Rep - Chad Krogstad

Mite Rep – Tracey Miller

Mini-Mite Rep – Jessica Bingham

Coaches Rep – Larry Clemens

## **Board Members Absent**

Midget Rep - n/a

## **SPYHA Members Present**

Nate Jones, Jerry O'Gara (ACE Director – Travel), Casey Rufener, Mark Lea, Megan Jordan, Colleen Uhlenkamp, Zak Gordon, Abbe Grebel, Jeremy Holmes

#### 1. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- 2. Affirmation of Email Votes
  - a. Sept 22, NOT accept non-SPYHA player to play for SPYHA
    - Jenn motioned, Nicole second, motion passed unanimously
  - b. Tara Muszynski to be a member of VCOMM
    - Eric motioned, Nicole second, motion passed unanimously
  - c. Approve list of MITE Evaluators
    - Jenn motioned, Julie 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed unanimously
- 3. Appointments & Membership Changes
  - a. Player appealing to come into SPYHA, will be covered in closed session.

## 4. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Secretary Kory Schulze
  - Jenn motioned to approve minutes from 8/7/22, 9/18/22, 9/29/22, Eric 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed unanimously.
- b. Treasurer Julie Wetmore

Balances on	9/16/22
Operating	\$100,834.40
Equipment	\$7,350.08
Savings	\$80,737.57
Capital	\$2,679.16
Scholarship	\$5,577.20
Pay Pal	\$29,427.78
Total	\$226,606.19

- Kory motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report, Nicole 2<sup>nd</sup>, passed unanimously.
- c. President Elect Ryan Dunt
- d. Created a Google drive for all SPYHA committee and board information.
- e. Past President Eric Seidl none.
- f. President Tara Freund
  - Thank you to all of the evaluators
  - DCHOA
    - Important to schedule blocks at same age/level. Then multiple games out for level 1's for officials
    - Get requests in before weekly assignment happens
    - Calendar on DCHOA website website can be busy. Trying to clean it up.
    - 2 policies coming from DCHOA requesting and assigning officials. Trying to clean things up and be transparent. Letting everybody know the process
      - Policy for Requesting and Canceling Officials
      - Assignment Policy
  - Safety National reporting system was supposed to be in place but fell through at last minute. Shooting for next year.
  - Player concussion protocol -2 forms that have to be filled out for concussion.
    - Anytime any player/coach is removed from activity practice, game, dry land
    - Need Return to Play form signed by Doctor, coach, & parent (if player)
    - Each coach in association needs to have/ carry the concussion card
  - 2021 legislature passed a law that any 12-year-old and older must be trained on symptoms of sudden cardiac arrest. Parents/ Coaches required to have same training. There is a form that needs to be filled out that the coach, parent, needs to sign. Form is on website. Teams will read the speech, post video on our website and tag WAHA.
  - Association Culture Positive Coaching Alliance. President and Hockey director are required to be there meeting coming up in October
  - Coaching clinics posted out on website. They fill up fast 6 level 1, 6 level 2, and 6 level 3 but will do more if they need to. They will all be on zoom this year

#### 5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Volunteer Committee
  - Almost all accounts created for DIBS at the travel level
  - MiniMites will be addressed
  - Goal to keep hours updated and provide a report in January where families are regarding their volunteer requirements
  - Shifts are being claimed quickly
  - SignUp Genius received for upcoming Big Bear Tournament for scorekeepers/off ice officials
  - Weeding is almost done, only a few hours left
  - Did a walk through with SP Ice, painting needs to be done but might not happen with the use of the rooms, ProShop should be a priority (Drywall, etc..)
- b. Annual Fundraising Committee
  - Wreaths, Club Choice, Culvers Night (Nov 21) all set up
  - Goal for purse bingo early this season
- c. Communications Committee
  - Cardinal Logo still showing for some desktop and mobile users, support case open with Sports Engine
  - Team Reps can be posted to team pages
  - Information for Team Reps (how to's) available online for managing team schedules, communications
  - Tournaments showing up as Sunday-Monday instead of Saturday-Sunday, Nate to look into

- Social media reports shared with committees and board
- THFF posts over 1,000 views in 24 hours
- TikTok is growing in popularity one over 1,700 views/likes
- d. Winter Classic Tournaments Committee
  - Gobbler Games open spots available but organizations are reaching out asking, teams are being formed
    - 6 Sun Prairie Mini Mite teams
    - Same team caps on registrations as 21-22 season
  - Winter Classic Coordinator for each Travel Team 5 volunteer hours
- e. Concession Stand Committee
  - Pepsi and Badger Popcorn being left outside Concession Room
  - Need to solve so product to not being left outside
- f. USA Hockey Initiatives
  - THFF scheduled for October 30, 2022
  - Opening on THFF committee, potential candidate known
  - Fox Valley works together between all neighboring associations for THFF and they advertise together and have it available all the way leading up to and just after evaluations. Interested skaters are then pointed to the right association. That way there are opportunities throughout the area on multiple weekends and kids still have an opportunity to join before evals in some cases and before the start of 6u & 8u. They are seeing a huge boost in players ages 9-12 from THFF.

## g. ACE Director(s)

- Travel registration (PeeWee and Squirts) wrapped up
- Less stressful for players, more fun
- Non-affiliated evaluators
- Feedback requested so players/families knew which eval team they were placed on so they could plan their schedule - this was intentional to prevent schedule request / team switch issues
- Need to order more pennies for next year
- h. Equipment Managers
  - Very responsive and helpful getting players equipment
  - MiniMites still need more availability
- i. Jersey Coordinator
  - Mite jerseys came in the wrong size, looking to have them replaced in the correct sizing
- j. Spirit Wear / Bags
  - Warmups will be ready for pickup next week
  - Spiritwear store open for a limited time, pickup in two weeks
- k. Registrar
  - Squirts and PeeWees loaded in Sports Engine & USA Hockey
  - Coaches will be set this evening
  - Players not playing are just marked as inactive and notification sent to Treasurer to back out financial requirement
  - Safe Sport and USA Hockey requirements will be wrapped up shortly for all coaches and board members
  - Handful of DOB verifications still needed
- 1. Region 4 Meeting
  - Noted above in the President's report
  - Stoughton all-girls Jamboree on 11/5 for U8

# 6. LEVEL REP REPORTS

- a. Mini-Mite
  - Message needs to be sent to Mini Mite families, Mite message can be repurposed

- Capitals Game need more signups
- Pennie numbers need to be assigned to registered players
- b. Mite
- Evaluations last week
- Final number of 61 Mites
- Attended DCL meeting for U8 and U6 only 6 organizations have Red teams from all of Region 4
- Schedule being released 10/30, will have Saturday games
- U6 most going to do DCL, not the Pods as previously
- 10/27 # of and breakdown to team due to DCL
- c. Squirt
- Positive feedback on evaluation process
- Couple of Team Rep options, at least 1 team covered
- Tournaments all scheduled other than C2 pending Onalaska
- d. PeeWee
- Potentially have PWA, PWB and PWGirls reps
- PWGirls question if defaulted at A level, will be discussed in closed session
- All PeeWee tournaments scheduled
- Off Ice trainings needed for home games coming soon
- Opposing team should cover own penalty box
- November 20, cannot fill PWA games, would prefer Friday evening games instead, working with scheduler
- e. Bantam
- Coordinator for Winter Classic set
- All tournaments scheduled for A and B
- Most games scheduled
- Potential for January 28-29 Bantam C tournament if needed
- Currently 35 skaters and 2 goalies
- Unsure on number of teams
- f. Midget
- n/a
- g. Coaches' Rep.

## 7. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Registration for the 2022-23 Season closed other than 2<sup>nd</sup> session Minis/Mites
- b. Committee Overview/Assessment of Needs
  - a. One THFF opening, interested parties should email ECOMM
- c. Mite Jersey Update
  - a. Discussed above
- d. Delinquency from 2021-2022 Season no update
- e. In House Tournament Registration almost full
- f. Concession Serve Save Certification
  - a. Serve Safe Certification underway for Committee Chair
- g. SPYHA Player Development Plan Committee

# 8. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Nominations
- b. Bridge the gap between the travel and ADM levels
  - Coaches Rep working with ADM Rep (non-travel) on ideas
- c. Slush fund
  - Last year ½ of teams did not do Slush Funds
  - Jenn motioned for team slush funds team reps can only accept funds for tournament costs,  $Eric\ 2^{nd}$ , motion passed unanimously.
  - Kelly Ruhland to lead Team Manager training meeting.

- d. Plan for player development at all levels
  - 4 coaches' meetings this season so far
  - Positive learning culture, no difference in coaching received at any team
  - Based on Evaluations largest deficiency in our association is skating skills so Power Skating is being emphasized
  - Forward and Defensive concepts
  - High School coaches and players assisting early on in this type of coaching
- e. Bantam Goalie
  - Soliciting a potential 3<sup>rd</sup> Bantam Goalie
  - Nothing finalized at this time
- f. 10/28 Capitols Association Night
  - Covered above
- g. 10/30 Try Hockey for Free Volunteers Needed
  - Committees to coordinate and post volunteer needs
- h. Weeding Update
  - Covered above
- i. SP Ice
- Ice cancellations/changes should be made 3 weeks in advance
- SP Ice emails should be sent to Zac instead of to Jeff directly
- SPYHA should maintain a list of SP referees in case of cancellations to fill in
- j. Girls Locker Room
  - Male coaches and players should not be entering the Girls' Locker Room
  - Girls' PeeWee team will have their own separate locker room for practices and games
  - Personal materials should not be touched by other players
  - Signage should be posted regarding rules
- k. Next Meeting
  - November 13, 6pm.
- 1. Adjourn
- Eric motioned to adjourn the meeting and go into closed session, Jenn 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:38pm.
- m. Closed Session
  - Girls team appeal to WAHA to play at the B level motion passed
  - PW Player request to waive volunteer hours motion passed
  - Two players in district request to be accepted into SPYHA motion passed
  - Scholarship request Ice Time fees of \$745 motion passed
  - Family upset about placement is considering removing player from association. Will meet with Director of Coaching this week.
  - Squirt A motion to approve coaches motion passed
  - Squirt B motion to approve coaches motion passed
  - Squirt C1 motion to approve coaches motion passed
  - Squirt C2 motion to approve coaches motion passed
  - PeeWee A motion to approve coaches motion passed
  - PeeWee B motion to approve coaches motion passed
  - PeeWee C motion to approve coaches motion passed
  - PeeWee Girls motion to approve coaches motion passed
  - Additional Coaches- motion to approve coaches motion passed
  - Mite Coaches motion to approve coaches motion passed
  - Mini Mite Coaches motion to approve coaches motion passed
  - Closed Session adjourn, motion passed unanimously.