

# Valley Thunder Hockey

## Meeting Minutes

August 12, 2018, 6PM to 7:45 PM, @ 5837 Updraft St., Palmer, AK

### Attendees:

Matt Ketchum, Treasurer, Chris Horacek, Web Master (non voting), Jamie Smith, Director, Rich Owens, Director, Tim Conrad, MAHA Rep., Kim Carney, MAHA Rep., Deanna Anderson, PAHA guest, Jeff Heard, PAHA guest

**ABSENT:** Community Member, Vacant, Brandon Harbour, President, Chris Carney, Director

Meeting begin at 6:00 PM.

**Introduce Guests:** Deanna Anderson & Jeff Heard from PAHA

### Reports:

President, Brandon Harbour (absent)

Treasurer, Matt Ketchum: all the tryout fees were paid directly to VT via Sportsengine and no cash or checks were received. All expenses and credits were presented in a spread sheet format. The 2018-19 budget was presented for approval. Budget was discussed and motioned for approval. Motion was rescinded until next meeting.

Secretary, vacant

1. Tim Conrad will be serving at MAHA rep until Brandon Harbour returns. He will not vote on financial issues. Kim Carney represented MAHA in lieu of Chris Carney with voting authority.
2. **Coaches Meeting** – meeting agenda and discuss points were discussed.
3. **Registration Fee**- \$390 with jersey, socks and pant covers; \$190 w/o jersey package. \$150 for host associations and \$40 for VT fee. \$150 will be distributed to host association after full team has registered (distributions by mid-Sept.) PAHA and MAHA reps indicated that Registration for the VT teams would be completed on their web sites.
4. **Jerseys and TEAM apparel**- Each VY host association collecting registration fees will have to order their own team uniforms with LAGA Sports. TEAM Gear will be ordered on a per team basis using SQUAD LOCKER to be made available on the VT website. Warm-ups and pant covers are to be ordered at Play it Again Sports.
5. **Parent Meetings**- were held or scheduled for all VT teams. At these meetings, the team staff should present a season budget. A template for the budget was passed out and reviewed by the committee.
6. **Play up policy**- No player will be allowed to play up unless they obtain VT Steering Committee approval. Policy was discussed. All reps agreed.

7. **Valley players only**- maintain the rosters to be MatSu Valley area residents only with the exception of U18.
8. **VT accounting**- Coaches Stipend was set at \$7,500. HC has discretion regarding assistant coach's fee, but minimum of \$1,500 is encouraged.
9. **Travel cost policy**- In State, coaches get mileage or gas and 2 hotel rooms. Out of State, air fare, rental car/vans & 2 hotel rooms per trip.
10. **Players quitting a team during the season**- discussion was heard. Each association shall deal with quitting players using policies from their own association by laws recognizing situations may vary. It was discussed that these polices are "similar" and suggested an alignment be worked on in the future.
11. **Ice Allocation**- In meeting was scheduled for all three associations to get together to "share" prime time ice with other VT teams. This will allow VT teams to schedule practices/training session at all the rinks in the Valley. That meeting was held at the MTA offices in Palmer.
12. **Resolution:** A resolution was presented by Matt Ketchum. Tim Conrad seconded the motion. The resolution reads: "Valley Thunder Hockey Association steering committee will not seek affiliation with ASHA to become a stand-alone COMP organization within the near future (2 or 3 years)." Disicussion was heard. This revises verbiage in the VT Agreement signed by all 3 associations in March 2017. Resolution PASSED unanimously.
13. A **MOTION** by Matt Ketchum to "disallow any advertising on VT team jerseys." Seconded by Jamie Smith. Discussion was hear. Motion passed unanimously. During discussion it was asked if this included advertising on warm ups. It was not specifically included but would be allowed by using removable patches.
14. A **MOTION** to adjourn was passed at 7:45 PM

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