

DOVER YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 2, 2024 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

6:00 PM – DOVER ICE ARENA CONFERENCE ROOM

JT Fortier – President

Steve Gahan – Vice President

Josh Hersey – Treasurer

Steeve Wintle - Secretary

CALL TO ORDER: The December 2, 2024, Dover Youth Hockey Association-Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM in the Conference Room of the Dover Ice Arena.

The following board members were present: JT Fortier, Josh Hersey, James Blouin, Ken Burlage, Shannon Kennedy, Steeve Wintle (remote), Brett Ricci – Director of Hockey Ops. Absent: Zach Cobb, Steve Gahan, Mike Young – Former Director of Hockey Ops.

PUBLIC FORUM: None.

MEETING MINUTES: A motion to approve the 11/18/24 minutes was put forth by Hersey and seconded by Burlage. The Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes.

FINANCE UPDATE: Hersey provided the following updates:

- Financial Reports for November to be ready for next Board meeting. Hersey to gather the outstanding A/R in the coming days and begin working on collections.
- Bank balances as of 12/2/24 – Checking - \$230k; Savings \$231k.
- Bingo results – November results pending. Hersey and Wintle to follow up on controls process documentation required.

OPERATIONS UPDATE:

- Discussion about banners being hung in the rink for teams winning league championships.
- Bantam team discussion – potential to source alternate players to fill out team roster. Board agreed to allow Bantam team to offer players a no cost option to participate with team.
- Certification and rosters – Emails sent out to coaches to confirm rosters. As of December 31, 2024 rosters are frozen and cannot be changed. At least 15 coaches are in need of updating certification renewals.

SURVEY: Board reviewed survey questions and discussed some changes to the questionnaire. Wintle to circulate updated questionnaire and prepare online questionnaire.

OPEN DISCUSSION:

- a. Ricci – Discussion about tryout dates for next season. Hersey suggested the end of February or early March, exact dates still to be determined.
- b. Kennedy – Discussion about potential participation with the Boston Fleet PHL team. Discussion about suggestions on how we may leverage the offer for the advancement of the GSW program.
- c. Blouin – Question and discussion about First Shift and Second Shift. Discussion about potential dates for Second Shift, likely starting on January 5th. Ice has been reserved for December 22nd for a potential family skate for First Shift program.
- d. Hersey – None.
- e. Wintle – None.
- f. Fortier – None.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 7:10 PM