

8.15.22 HSC Minutes

Present: Craig Arnold, Bill Boardman, Todd Bolduc, Renee Callahan, Christie Jewell, Steve Jewell, Michelle Johnson, Rick McHale, Lars Schultz-Nielsen, Kim Simpson, Becky Vail, and Sarah Schultz-Nielsen

-The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

-Introductions were made, and Bill Boardman provided information and clarification on the setup of the 2022-2023 Tier IV season and answered questions regarding the organization. Registration would be open in a day or so. Bill let us know that he reserved ice for 2 dates that related to Grow the Game. One was for Try Hockey for Free, the other for the IIHF Girls Hockey Weekend. More details to follow. Bill has scheduled the first 2 weeks of practice at a TBA time on Sundays in October. He will schedule all practice times and will work to train the Scheduler.

-The slate of people volunteering to fill roles was presented, discussed, and voted upon unanimously by current HSC members. New members are:

Steve Jewell, Chair and Hockey Rep

Todd Bolduc, Vice Chair and Coach's Rep

Christie Jewell, Registrar

Kristin Dubois, Scheduler

Renee Callahan, Grow the Game

Susue Ramage, Team Rep Coordinator

Kim Simpson, Equipment Manager

Becky Vail, Player's Rep

Current members Michelle Johnson and Sarah Schultz-Nielsen were respectively voted in for additional roles of Grow the Game and IT/PR.

All members need to register with USA Hockey, be up to date with a background check through MEHA, and complete the Safe Sport training.

-Learn to play is free this year, thanks to the support from Rosy Santerre's scholarship fund. The first 7 week session starts on 11/6 and the second starts in Jan/Feb for an additional 7 weeks.

-A discussion ensued on the importance of communication on the HSC. It was also stressed that members are all volunteers and balance the work of the organization with our personal and

professional lives. We will do our best to answer e-mails and messages and answer questions that parents may have. Steve will also have access to the SAM Hockey e-mail so that will be monitored and answered in a timely fashion. There is no longer a phone number associated with SAM. Bill spoke to the use of the SAM office upstairs. Parent meetings will be critical this year at the start of the season to lay out expectations. Steve will lead.

-Todd discussed the need for more coaches at the younger level, and Rick brought up the combined Wednesday p.m. practices and how crowded they were. It was agreed that addressing this will be important. Todd also mentioned organizing meeting for coaches and coaching plans for practices.

-Lars spoke to the importance of developing a middle school girls hockey team, to support the growth of high school programs for girls.

-There was a discussion regarding the wreath fundraiser credits and how to handle those. Once a Finance Director is in place, they will work with Heather Knowles to be trained. Bill reminded us that any fundraisers must be approved by the SAM Board.

-Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Next meeting: 9/19/22 6:30 p.m. Ice Vault

Respectfully submitted,
Sarah Schultz-Nielsen

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