

Sun Valley Youth Hockey Board Meeting
Hailey Ice Cafe – October 12, 2023



Board members present: Jeff Lamoureux, Brooke McKenna, John Kearney, Kayla Nisson.

Others present: Sarah Benson, Nancy Fenn, Chad O'Brien, Toby O'Brien (via Zoom for part of the meeting).

Call to Order: Jeff called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm, quorum established.

Approval of minutes from September 6, 2023 meeting: motion to approve with minor language modification. Motion by Brooke, seconded by John, unanimously approved.

Reports and Discussion

OverSpeed Hockey:

Chad O'Brien

- Evaluations – Chad reviewed evaluation procedure and selection process. Evaluators are non-parent volunteers from throughout the Wood River Valley hockey community. Evaluations are based on five key areas. Ideas for more efficient and transparent process discussed. Coaches and Hockey Director will provide feedback directly to players who have questions about their placement.
- Chad gave overview of head coaches, assistant coaches, upcoming Overspeed week events, and tournament schedules
- Equipment – Equipment costs were much higher than anticipated primarily due to high shipping costs for pads and goals. Chad will get 3 proposals from different suppliers for major purchases this year.
- Coaching recruitment and selection have become increasingly challenging with the skill levels and numbers of teams SVYH now serves. Discussed establishing a coaching committee of around 4 experienced, non-coach members of the hockey community to assist the Hockey Director.

Hailey Ice (Sarah Benson): Happy to be back in the rink for a new season! Discussed the challenges and concerns about locker room monitors.

SVYH Registrar's Report (Nancy Fenn): 283 registered players thus far. \$2,500 in donations to scholarship fund at registration. Ice cost increased this year at both rinks. Reviewed tournament scheduling, worked out well, plan to use tournament scheduler next year. Still some concerns regarding locker room monitors.

Treasurer (Brooke McKenna): Reviewed Budget vs. Actuals to date and Statement of Financial Position. Discussed draft Board calendar.

SVYH President's Report (Jeff Lamoureux): Discussed coach and donor appreciation. Confirmed that for the remainder of the season Board meetings will be held on the first Monday of the month, typically at 6:00 pm at the Hailey Ice Café.

Other discussion

- **Fund Raising** – Discussed re-establishing a fund raising committee with Kayla as committee chair. There is widespread support to bring back the Caleb Cup pending availability of a suitable time slot.
- **Bauer program.** There will be 4 on-ice sessions (Oct 15, 22, 29 and Nov 5). Aiming to register ~40 kids that are brand new to hockey.

John made a motion to adjourn at 8:00 pm, Brooke seconded. Unanimously approved.

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday November 4, 2023, 5:30pm, Hailey Ice Cafe
Minutes submitted by Jeff Lamoureux, SVYH President, October 16, 2023