



**Apple Valley Hockey Association
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
September 9, 2015**



Meeting called to order at 7:04 p.m. by President Syverson.

Board Members Present (*non-voting member):

Erin Benolkin, Eric Robb, Jay Syverson, LaChel Hird, Stacey Hand, Don Bilotta, Dan Bauer, Jeremy Pries, Derrick Lindstrom, Eric Martinson

Administrator: Crystal Kapps

Board Members Absent (*non-voting member):

Chris Slater, Justin Furlong, Jason Kochanowski, Bill Messerich, Gregg Christy, Randy Olson

Open Microphone:

- No Open Mic

Welcome Crystal Kapps

Minutes Approved --Syverson

- Motion to approve August 26, 2015 meeting minutes by Eric Martinson; seconded by Erin Benolkin; Approved

Gambling Report – Syverson

- LaFonda gambling location opening shortly; Bar boxes open every day; Booth Thursday, Friday & Saturday; Bingo on September 19th
- Play very strong for AVHA gambling operations
- Motion to accept \$65,000 in gambling proceeds for August made by *Dan Bauer*; *Seconded by Derrick Lindstrom. Approved*
- Motion to approve up to \$50,000 for gambling operations for September made by *Eric Martinson*; *seconded by Jeremy Pries; Approved*
- Motion to approve Gambling report by Gregg Christy, Seconded by Dan Bauer. Approved

Registrar report – Bauer

- 120 kids in traveling pre-season clinics; 18 pre-season for Mites. Ahead of our expected numbers for registration.
- Squirts – approx. 36 players today; PeeWees approx. 32; Goalie numbers are solid.

District Tournaments – Bauer

- District tourney fees will be built into AVHA costs; Will be mentioned at the Managers meeting that managers need to request a check for the fees from Treasurer.

HDC – Syverson

- Levels of play reviewed; Discussion re: the team levels for each team:
 - Bantams A & B2
- PeeWees being discussed – current thinking we will recommend teams at AA, B2 and C level; more discussion required.
- Girls AVHA will host the 10A team and co-op with Burnsville for 10B; Will host a 12A level

Level Updates:

- Mites – registration is open; Mites Plus open for registration; ice being finalized and will review contracts (Pries).
- Squirts – 31 skaters; clinics have started; Helping new parents navigate the transition from Mites to Squirts (Robb)
- Bantams – 31 registered, tournaments set (Martinson)
- PeeWees – Tournaments currently being finalized for all teams (Wan)

- Girls 12's/10's – (Lindstrom)
 - D8 preview September 11th – 12th
 - International hockey event is scheduled for October 9-11th
 - Packing food on October 10th at Feed My Starving Children
 - Game at RSVP
 - Sunday, October 11th – Mite girls will face off vs. Varsity girls at Hayes

Training Center – Syverson

- Pop machine is gone
- Storage area is being worked on
- Decorations are being worked on (jerseys, banners, pictures)
- Contract discussions continue
- Tony & Stacy Cobb have been the caretakers of the training center for the last few years; discussions re: who will be servicing the Training Center will be finalized.

Ice Draft – Syverson

- Finalizing dates for the Ice Draft
- Pat Moran will be scheduling ice for the upcoming weeks prior to the draft

Recruiting & Retention – Pries

- Intro to hockey on Sunday, September 13th; EV 11 and AVHA 11
- More communications through Friday folders and mailers to promote hockey to come
- Considering other non-hockey recruiting events to promote hockey in the community

Locker Room enhancement discussions for Hayes/AVHS – Syverson

- Discussions regarding Locker Room upgrades at the AVHS and Hayes continue
- November 5th Park & Rec Advisory Committee meeting; November 12th is the Council meeting
- Pete Buesgens & Matt Percival will lead the presentation and ask for AVHA, EVHA and the HS coaches attend the meetings to show support for the project
- AVHA is a cheer leader of the idea but are interested in making sure that any locker enhancements are equitable for AVHS and AVHA.
- Many options are being considered; City and District are working with architects on potential ideas for design
- City Park and Rec Director, AV Ice Arena Manager and the Presidents of both associations will discuss the presentation

Meeting Adjourned: Motion to adjourn by Eric Martinson, seconded by Stacey Hand; Approved.

Next meeting Wednesday, September 23rd at 7:00 p.m. @ **AV Community Center**.
Respectfully submitted by LaChel Hird