



**Apple Valley Hockey Association  
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
September 23, 2015**



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

**Board Members Present (\*non-voting member):**

Bill Messerich, Jeremy Pries, Stacey Hand, Erin Benolkin, Eric Robb, Justin Furlong, Dan Bauer, Jay Syverson, Eric Martinson, Don Bilotta, Crystal Kapps\*

**Board Members Absent (\*non-voting member):**

Chris Slater, Jason Kochanowski, Derrick Lindstrom, Gregg Christy, Lachel Hird, Randy Olson

**Open Microphone: --Messerich**

- Motion to approve \$375 advertisement in AV Boys Hockey program by Eric Martinson; seconded by Dan Bauer; Approved.

**Minutes Approved: --Hand**

- Motion to approve September 9, 2015 meeting minutes by Stacey Hand; seconded by Don Bilotta; Approved.

**Treasurer's Report: -- Bauer**

- Motion to approve August 2015 Treasurers Report by Eric Martinson; seconded by Jeremy Pries; Approved.

**Gambling Report: -- Olson**

- No gambling report

**Registrar Update: -- Bilotta**

- 137 Current Traveling Registrations
  - 38 Squirts
  - 36 PeeWee
  - 32 Bantams
  - 31 Girls
    - 18 U10's
    - 13 U12's
- U12's already rostered

**D8 Update: --Bilotta**

- Early declaration of teams.
- AV association is one of the smallest in D8.
- D8 is short Refs, currently pull from D6.
- Level 4 clinic to be hosted in Fargo in November.
- USA Hockey not accepting temp cards for level 4 if training not done yet.
- 10/31 & 11/01 girls games early preview.

**Updates – Special Committees**

**Coaches Committee: -- Martinson**

- Provisional Coaches to be approved are as follows:
  - Provisional PW Coaches:
    - Motion to provisionally approve Chris Slater as PW coach by Justin Furlong; seconded by Eric Martinson; Approved.
    - Motion to provisionally approve Jeremy Pries as PW coach by Justin Furlong; seconded by Dan Bauer; Approved.
    - Motion to provisionally approve Kip Van Voorhis as PW coach by Eric Robb; seconded by Don Bilotta; Approved.
  - Provisional Squirt Coach:

- Motion to provisionally approve Jay Syverson as Squirt coach by Dan Bauer; seconded by Bill Messerich; Approved.
- Provisional U10's Coaches:
  - Motion to provisionally approve JJ Ryan as U10's coach by Bill Messerich; seconded by Eric Robb; Approved.
  - Motion to provisionally approve Todd Dugan as U10's coach by Eric Robb; seconded by Erin Benolkin; Approved.
  - Motion to provisionally approve Derrick Lindstrom as U10's coach by Bill Messerich; seconded by Justin Furlong; Approved.
  - Motion to provisionally approve Justin Dahl as U10's coach by Erin Benolkin; seconded by Don Bilotta; Approved.
  - Motion to provisionally approve Dave Gladd as U10's coach by Justin Furlong; seconded by Jeremy Pries; Approved.
  - Motion to provisionally approve Todd Willimshen as U10's coach by Eric Robb; seconded by Dan Buaer; Approved.
- Head Coach to be approved are as follows:
  - Motion to name Matt Priester as U12's head coach by Don Bilotta; seconded by Bill Messerich; Approved.

#### **Training Center Committee: --Messerich**

- Pop machine gone.

#### **Recruiting & Retention Update: --Pries**

- Mite Intro to Hockey program has 15 AV kids out of 65, sent mailer for advertising.
- Mailer going out in beginning of Oct.
- October 9, advertising general information in the Friday Folders at schools.
- November 7, Try Hockey Free day possible Facebook advertising.

#### **HDC Report: --Syverson**

- Bantams B1 –or- B2, still being discussed.

#### **Tryout Update: --Syverson**

- Bantam & PW tryouts start this weekend.
- Eric Wan, PW Level Coordinator is stepping down and moving to California.
- Evaluation Expenses are as follows:
  - Motion to compensate non-parent evaluators \$15.00/hr. by Bill Messerich; seconded by Dan Bauer; Approved.
  - Motion to approve up to \$300 for tryout meals @ each level for non-parent evaluators by Eric Robb; seconded by Don Bilotta; Approved.

#### **Tournament Update: --Pries**

- November 27-29, 2015 (Boys Tournament)
  - Bantam 12 teams registered -- FULL
  - PW 8 teams registered – FULL
  - Squirts 7 teams registered – 1 slot open
- January 1-3, 2016 (Girls Tournament)
  - 14A 8 teams registered – targeting 12-16 teams
  - 12A 2 teams registered – targeting 8 teams (historically, last minute registrations are common)
  - 10A 4 teams registered – targeting 8 teams
- Board member presence at all tournaments
  - 2 hour volunteer slots
  - Registration via sign up genius or private Dibs page; still in discussion.

#### **Level Updates**

##### **Mites: -- Pries**

- 21 new mites currently registered.
- 52 returning mites currently registered.

##### **Girls: -- JJ Ryan**

- Parent meeting October 1
- Co-op agreement with Burnsville
- World Girls' Hockey weekend October 9-11<sup>th</sup>. See website for details of events.

**Squirts: --Robb**

- 37 total Squirts
  - 6 Goalies
  - 31 Skaters
- Parent Meeting September 29
- October 3 & 4 Pre-Tryout Clinic
- Tryouts start October 5.

**PeeWee: --Eric Wan**

- Nothing to report

**Bantams: --Martinson**

- 32 total Bantams
  - 2 Goalies
  - 30 Skaters
- Tryouts start this weekend.

**Action/Next Steps: --Syverson**

- Nothing to report

**Meeting Adjourned:** Motion to adjourn by Don Bilotta, seconded by Bill Messerich; Approved.

Next meeting Wednesday, October 14, 2015 7:00p.m. @ Apple Valley Community Center.  
Respectfully submitted by Stacey Hand