

# UVHA Annual Board Meeting Minutes

April 25, 2018 ~ 6:00 PM

Kinney Pike Insurance, White River Junction, Vermont

1. **Attendance:** Kylie Young, Mindy Dube, Sarah Morlock, Justin Barwood, Ryan Ray, Matt Maher, Roger Gillies, Alex DeFelice, Josh Obar, Brock Barton, Bill Mann
2. **Meeting called to order:** 6:00 PM
  - a. The March 21<sup>st</sup> meeting minutes were unanimously approved (motioned by Bill, seconded by Matt).
3. **Annual Meeting:**
  - a. **State of Business-**Jason was unable to attend; Justin presided over the meeting. The primary purpose of the Annual Meeting is to hold elections. Justin first shared a summary of the UVHA's state of business. The UVHA has been fortunate to experience both significant financial and program growth over the last five years. An active Fundraising Committee comprised of the UVHA membership has afforded the UVHA the ability to operate "in the black" without imposing registration fee increases. The coaching application process, implemented to ensure that coaches are qualified and have required credentials, has been improved upon: coaches will now register online, right along with players. The Mite programming has been redefined and rebranded to make clear the parameters for 8U play and transitions. The Board once again elicited input from the membership via an online, End-of-Season Survey. Sarah reported that the responses conveyed that the membership was highly satisfied with their experience. She also relayed specific areas for improvement, as identified by the membership's responses. As most were already aware, Justin communicated that there will be a need for additional ice to accommodate the number of players this coming 2018-2019 season. Based on returning player numbers and anticipated transfers, the UVHA will offer Learn-to-Skate, Learn-to-Play and Travel Mite programs, as well as two Squirt, three Peewee and two Bantam teams. Justin has already been in contact with the Town and learned that there will not be an increase in the ice rental cost. The Town was agreeable to working with the UVHA to secure more ice, initially discussing the possibility of adding early Wednesday afternoon and Sunday morning slots. The UVHA's ice requests must be submitted in June. The Board will keep a careful watch on registration numbers between now and then. Returning player registration is currently open, early registration discounts end May 15<sup>th</sup>. Registration will open to new players

on June 1<sup>st</sup>. Kylie said that a number of new players have already registered during this returning player window. She has been in touch with these families and made them aware of their pending status.

**b. Elections-**

- i. Vice President: An election for the two-year term position of Vice President took place. Incumbent Justin Barwood was the only candidate. All voted in favor of Justin by a show of hands.
- ii. Treasurer: Before proceeding with the election for the two-year term Treasurer position, Bill wanted Brock to be aware of and comfortable with the many roles associated with the job. The Treasurer also acts as an Executive Officer and Disciplinary Committee Member. Brock affirmed his interest in the role and went on to share his extensive qualifications as a CPA, the VP Finance Controller at King Arthur Flour, and his years of experience serving on other local Boards. Brock was the only candidate for Treasurer. All voted in favor of Brock by a show of hands.
- iii. Members-at-Large: There were two, two-year term positions to be filled by election. Incumbents Alex DeFelice and Matt Maher, as well as candidates Josh Obar and Mindy Dube briefly described their interest and intent. Scott Nichols was unable to be present but also declared his desire to be considered for Member-at-Large. With multiple candidates, the membership voted by ballot. Josh and Alex were elected to serve by majority vote.
- iv. New Hampshire Delegate: No candidates stepped forward for the New Hampshire Delegate position, therefore the role was not filled. As it conflicts with his newly appointed role as NHAHA Registrar, Roger is unable to continue on as the UVHA's Delegate. Sarah will announce this position vacancy again to seek a replacement. The Board discussed declaring an individual Member as Delegate, while taking turns to attend the required monthly meetings.

- c. Closing Remarks**-Justin recognized outgoing Board Members, Ryan Ray and Matt Maher, for their years of dedicated and commendable service in their respective roles as Treasurer and President/Member-at-Large. Both gentlemen have made significant contributions to the operation of the Association. The group offered their sincere sentiments of appreciation.

**4. NH State Meeting Report:**

- a. NHAHA's Annual Meeting is May 19<sup>th</sup>. The season "kick-off" meeting is scheduled for August 25<sup>th</sup>.

**5. Meeting Adjourned: 7:02 PM**