

Sun Valley Youth Hockey Board Meeting
Hailey Ice Cafe – 2/5/25



Board members present: Brooke McKenna, Kayla Nisson, Sam Herrick, Ryan Deal, John Kearney, Jeff Lamoureux, Barton Burdette, Gene Korby

Others present: Sarah Benson, Scott Smith, Nancy Fenn, Annie Leady, Rob Thorsen (online)

Call to Order: Brooke McKenna called the meeting to order at 6:05pm, quorum established.

Approval of January meeting minute. Minutes approved - Gene motioned, Sam seconded, all approved.

Discussion

Annie Leady/Rob Thorsen guest Speaker - Presentation on Project Shoulder Check, a mental health and support system established by Rob. Sample kit provided. Possibly make this program part of the SVYH culture right from the start of the season. Annie volunteers to spearhead the initiative with another nurse to help.

Executive Director - Scott Smith. Mid season eval list for 10U and up teams was provided w/ Scott's observations on kids and coaches. Scott said the biggest item he sees across age groups relates to stops and starts. Trying to get u8 Skate with Scott rescheduled. Behavior issues continue in locker rooms, usually in Sun Valley. Need to send out notice to parents to not drop off early and leave kids unattended so long. Sometimes kids getting there before monitors are onsite.

Registrar's Report – Nancy Fenn - IAHA grant is submitted for \$2200. Some donations received for the scholarship fund made a huge impact. Hosting 22 teams for the State tournament coming up. Will need major effort and volunteers. End of season is 4 weeks from tomorrow. Awards and final skates coming up.

Hailey Ice – Sarah Benson - Working with Nancy on the State tournament. Lining up camps for summer and might be able to keep ice open for spring. Val's tryouts and camp are happening in spring as well. It's good!

Treasurer's Report – Barton Burdette Financials year to date reviewed. Not much change from last month. Due to more home tournaments and more teams hosted at those tournaments, referee fees running ahead of budget expectations. Team revenue and tuition are received in lump payments from SportsEngine. Nancy to work with Barton and Brooke to split out income appropriately.

President's Report– Brooke McKenna - IAHA winter meeting recap. More refs are needed if anyone knows someone interested. There is a mentoring program in place that helps get new refs. IAHA codes of conduct and locker room monitors committee discussed challenges and

lack of monitors in some programs. Most issues happen when monitor is not in the room. End result might be mandatory base layers upon arrival and/or dressing outside of locker rooms. Last thing from IAHA needs board members, non voting positions, but very helpful. Can also be on committee, meets 3 times per year.

SVYH Guidebook is almost done with changes to meet USA hockey and IAHA rules. Sam, Gene, Sarah and Jeff to review in depth then back out to the group after March for approval.

Next Board Meeting: 3/5/25, 6pm Hailey Ice Cafe
Minutes submitted by Gene, SVYH Treasurer, 4/9/25