

Sun Prairie Youth Hockey Association
Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes
April 22, 2018, 6:00 p.m.

President Misi Watters called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm. Jason will be late. Brian Sullivan, Brenda Egli, and Suzanne Doody noted as absent.

Audience: Craig Stephenson, Nick Kanoff, and Jason Hintz

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS

none

2. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Secretary – Betsy McCrary

Minutes from the March meeting were distributed to the Board. There were no email votes since the last meeting. Nichole made a motion to approve March meeting minutes. Stacy seconded the motion. Everyone approved. Motion passed.

b. Treasurer – Nichole Jesberger

Nichole reviewed account balances. She has worked with the volunteer committee to prepare bills for unfulfilled volunteer hours. There are three families who still have unpaid dues. Betsy noted that not paying dues means they are not members in good standing. There are also finance charges being incurred. Nichole will send out totals. One of the families was on a payment plan. Stacy made a motion to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Kristie seconded. All approved.

c. President Elect – Brian Sullivan

Absent

d. Past President – Stacy Hollfelder

– SP Ice Update

Stacy reported that John Nesson has figured out how to fix the boards in the heaters so they don't get wet, which is causing the issues with them malfunctioning (not heating). SP Ice will pay for the parts, and John's time will be credited as volunteer hours.

They should hear about the sharpener soon. Officer selection was tabled for the next meeting.

Willie Ty's will pay to have the stairwell professionally cleaned and then special paint will be applied to make the space more cleanable.

It has been decided that the stick racks for the Tubbs locker rooms will also be inside the locker rooms, and they are working on it.

e. President – Misi Watters

Nothing that isn't already on the agenda.

3. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Volunteer Committee – Nothing

b. Annual Fundraising Committee – Nichole found the red binder for the raffle and will get it to Angie.

c. Communications Committee – Nothing for the committee itself, which is really Betsy and Lisa as webmaster. It was suggested that perhaps a second webmaster would be helpful, someone who could attend meeting and take care of posting communications in a timely manner. There is an opportunity upgrade to a more user-friendly mobile platform. It's a one-time fee of \$400. This was added to the agenda under other business.

d. Cardinal Cup Committee – Reiterated the need for a Cardinal Cup chair.

e. Concession Stand Committee – Nothing

f. ACE Director(s) – No one present to report

- g. Region 4 Meeting
Misi will email notes from March meeting. April meeting postponed to this week.

4. LEVEL REP REPORTS

- a. Mini-Mite – Kristie Tennie – Nothing
- b. Mite – Paula Austad – Nothing
- c. Squirt - Carrie Rose – Nothing.
- d. PeeWee – Chris LaRowe – Nothing
- e. Bantam – Brenda Egli – Absent
- f. Midget – Suzanne Doody – Absent
- g. Coaches' rep. – Jason Ledford – Nothing.

5. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Evaluation Policy
Tabled
- b. 2018-2019 Scheduling
Betsy sent Tony a revised draft on March 21. She has not heard back from Jim Sullivan about scheduling for next year, and it taking that as a polite way of not being interested. There is still a need for a scheduler. The board discussed pay and volunteering options, as well as even considering hiring an administrative person to do “day-to-day” stuff. An outline of duties for scheduling would be helpful. The final decision was to include this in a letter to the association.
- c. Locker Room Behavior
Jason Hintz raised concerns about locker room behavior observed first-hand during the season, as well as stories heard from others. Unfortunately, post-season there is not much the board can do to address the past, especially when the feedback didn't include coaches, especially in a timely manner. There are some limits to who can supervise: background check and SafeSport would be required, which is above and beyond normal volunteering. Given that some players seem to have an attitude toward other adults who ask that they refrain from certain behaviors that “you're not my mom/dad/coach, you can't tell me what to do,” as well as challenges from parents who have different standards for behavior (some abhor noise, others are perhaps more tolerant of language, for example), a committee will be formed to design messages, posters, etc. regarding reporting issues (appropriate chain of command starts with the coaching staff). Nichole and Jason Hintz will work on forming the committee.
- d. SP Ice Director Appointment
Jen Kurtz has communicated to the board that she will finish her term (ending in June 2018) on the SP Ice Board, but was not interested in serving another term at this time. Jason made a motion to appoint Betsy McCrary as a SPYHA director/representative on the SP Ice Board. Stacy seconded. Betsy abstained, all other approved, and motion passed.
- e. Equipment needs
Helmets seem to be a need, and Brenda has contacted Mary Suter, who has some options around \$50, if she can bundle with the some other orders. Jason made a motion to spend up to \$1500 to purchase helmets, with sizes/quantities determined by the equipment managers. Stacy seconded. All approved. Betsy will contact the equipment managers and let Brenda know.

6. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Membership Changes (release and admittance requests)
None
- b. Appointments (committee)
 - none
- c. Other Business
 - SPYHA Tournament Team
Nick Kanoff requested that SPYHA assist with sponsorship of a tournament team he has put together for some tournaments at the U18 level. It is a group of players from Sun Prairie (7 players), Waunakee,

and Rolling Meadows. The tournament directors are requiring a USA Hockey roster, which means an association has to sanction them. Plans had been for Waunakee to sponsor, but as they don't know Nick as a coach, they withdrew. Nick has coached for SPYHA for three years, at peewee, bantam, and midget levels. He played for SPYHA and then Edgewood HS. The spring hockey program is for 2000 birth year and younger, called Karky's Edge. They already lost their first tournament because they could not the roster in time, even though the tournament isn't until next weekend. That is a personal loss for Nick.

Jason made a motion for SPYHA to act as Karky's Edge sanctioning body for the purpose of entering U18 teams into spring hockey programs in 2018. Stacy seconded the motion. Misi mentioned that she reached out to Bill Spohn (Region 4), and Bill said it essentially requires Brenda (as registrar) to submit a roster, which she is willing to do. Jason also asked Nick to provide information on how much money he lost by the tournament denying the team entry after payment. All approved.

- Mobile platform

Stacy made a motion for SPYHA to pay to update to the mobile platform/app. Jason seconded the motion. All approved.

- d. Closed session

Stacy made a motion to go into closed session at 8:00 pm. Jason seconded the motion. All approved.

There was discussion regarding potential SPYHA response to another association possibly using noneligible players.

Motion to adjourn from close session and the meeting: Betsy. Nichole seconded. All approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.