

## December Meeting Minutes

### 12/6/22 @ 7:00

### Virtual Meeting

**Attendees:** Ashley Pedoty, Jessica LaPerle, Jennifer Kirkman, Heather Little, Jeremy Freyer, Kevin Hughes, Greg White, Ken Vikse, Nate Rand, Steve Palmer, Mary Alberty, Ryan Soos, Roger Paradis, Dave Matz, Lisa Marks

**Mission:** Woodstock Youth Hockey strives to promote the game of hockey and provide a welcoming environment to come together as a hockey community.

**Vision:** To create the best local hockey organization

**Values:** Sportsmanship, Teamwork, Fun, Community, Continuous Development, Welcoming to all Skaters

| Time | Agenda Item   | Discussion/Decisions   |
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| 7:00 | <b>Welcome and Introductions</b>  | Introductions were made for all on the call.   |
| 7:15 | <b>Role of Parent Reps</b>  | General suggestions were made for parent reps about their role. A link to the WYH handbook was shared.   |
| 7:20 | <b>Treasurer's Report</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Questions</li> <li>• Unused Ice</li> <li>• Fee structure for next year</li> </ul>  | <p>Jeremy shared Treasurer's report and gave general financial update. He sent PNL statement to Jess.</p> <p>Discussion around current player fee structure. It's based around cost of ice and projected # of players. Should it also be based on # of practices, # of games, and price for officials (depends on age level). <b>Before next season we need to look at equitability of fees. Subgroup will look forward at fee structure and equitability for next season.</b></p>   |
| 7:35 | <b>Teams and Coaching</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Picture Day</li> <li>• Scoring &amp; notebooks for states</li> <li>• Bench coaches</li> <li>• Program handbook</li> <li>• Team Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Little bruins/LTP <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Adults on the Ice</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ 8U <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ House</li> <li>▪ Travel</li> <li>▪ How these team are referred to</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul> | <p>Greg Greene has offered to take player photos. Monday was suggested will work best for all age groups.</p> <p>Scoresheets need to be getting sent to scores@vthockey.org.</p> <p>All coaches need to have SafeSport, Background Check, and coaching credentials to be on the ice or bench.</p> <p>4 coaches are allowed on the bench during a game.</p> <p>3 assistant coaches should be nominated by each of the head coaches.</p> <p>We need to develop coaches in the same way we develop players.</p> <p>LTP needs at least one on-ice adult coach.</p> <p><b>Consider a spreadsheet where coaches sign up for LTP.</b> Varsity players are doing a great job</p> |

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|      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 10U <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ T3</li> <li>▪ T4</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ 12U</li> </ul>   | <p>helping to coach LTP. <b>Time to open LTP Session 2 registration.</b></p> <p>8U players have been divided into blue and black groups. Practices are going well, Black team is the travel team (6 players + goalie) Blue team is the mid-level travel team (6 players + goalie).</p> <p>House team consists of 7 players that need more practice and stay close to home.</p> <p>Tweeners are on blue that sometimes play for black or House players that sometimes play for blue.</p> <p>AJ needs 8U rosters ASAP.</p> <p>Conversation around players who are new to 10U (out of LTP) playing in an 8U game.</p> <p><b>For next season, we need a dedicated ice plan for House players.</b></p> <p>10U is a large group with a huge range of abilities. Coaches are doing a great job managing it. Getting several more players for 10U would allow for T3 and T4 state tournament bound teams.</p> <p>12U season is going great, kids are a cohesive group, and play as team. Coaches are all adding a lot to the team.</p>   |
| 7:50 | <p><b>Project Report Outs</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Varsity Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Progress with booster Club</li> <li>○ Progress with School Board</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Fundraising <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ POG registration will open</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Player Development</li> <li>• Union Arena Relations</li> <li>• Sustainability (UVHA)</li> <li>• Granite State League</li> <li>• Spring tourney/s</li> <li>• Local other organization players</li> </ul> | <p>Varsity updates: Varsity players are likely to have met or will meet their season fundraising goal. HS board finance committee met and agreed to put \$15k into school budget. In future, sport funding will go to policy committee. Seeleys and Wannops brought original agreement (with Union Arena?) Clause in the original agreement says tax payers are not responsible for Union Arena. Ice fees are not included in that clause.</p> <p>Union Arena relations – Greg had conversation with EJ, WYH has ice until 1:50 pm on Saturdays. WYH is hosting Girls T2 regional tournament during week of March 11<sup>th</sup>. Saturdays February 25<sup>th</sup> and March 4<sup>th</sup> are in our contract. We didn't turn down hosting any other state/regional tournaments.</p> <p>Sustainability mtg synopsis on meeting with UVHA. Building pipeline of players to stay in UV. Consider collaboration with UVHA/Hanover, work together for girls and/or 14U age level. WYH Board members want to keep the older players and girls in the game. Should we also consider a new non-profit to become an allied VSAHA member? Motion to continue</p> |

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|      |                | <p>conversation with UVHA about sustainability for 14U and girls. All in favor. Jess to include Leanne.</p> <p>GSL group – discussion with GSL reps was around leaving VSAHA and joining GSL. GSL is open to WYH joining. Rostering rules for GSL seem more loose than what we have with VSAHA. GSL to reach out to John Cioffi (VSAHA) to determine if VSAHA could release us. GSL reps were very open minded. Apply in February to be part of GSL, vote by the GSL Board happens in June.</p> <p>Spring tournaments – Discussion of WYH hosting some tournament teams with some WYH players inviting other “local” players that play with other organizations.</p> <p>Local organization players are interested in joining WYH teams. Some families want to double roster their player by adding a WYH team. There are not official USA hockey/bylaw restrictions around double rostering. Need some protocols for our program to create a path for this.</p> <p>Option 1 – double roster players for regular WYH team (fee could be prorated based on portion of season remaining)</p> <p>Option 2 – add players to WYH roster for POG or other spring tournament team</p> <p>Option 3 – players want to add WYH just to have time on the ice with friends. Coaches may invite these players when needed, invite only basis (nominal fee per session could be charged).</p> <p>Need to revisit this during January Board meeting.</p> <p>Consider Wednesdays for Friends &amp; Family skate for all players who want to come join WYH players.</p> |
| 8:30 | <b>Adjourn</b> |   |