

DOVER YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 17, 2025 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

6:00 PM – DOVER ICE ARENA CONFERENCE ROOM

Steve Gahan – Vice President

Josh Hersey – Treasurer

Steeve Wintle - Secretary

CALL TO ORDER: The February 17, 2025, Dover Youth Hockey Association-Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM in the Conference Room of the Dover Ice Arena.

The following board members were present: Steve Gahan, Zach Cobb, James Blouin, Ken Burlage, Steeve Wintle (remote), Shannon Kennedy, Brett Ricci, Mike Young.

PUBLIC FORUM: None.

FINANCE UPDATE:

- Bingo results – Jan net profit \$277; YTD \$71K.
- Bank balances – Operations - \$12k; Savings - \$289k
- A/R total outstanding of approximately \$5k to collect, no major items of note.

OPERATIONS:

- Skills training - Survey to be sent out to coaches. Once feedback from coaches is gathered, Board will discuss with outsourced skills provider to determine optimal plan for next season.
- Tryouts/Program – Questions from parents about plan for midget split season teams. Discussion ensued around team offerings, coaches, and how best to go forward.
 - o Follow up discussion about existing disciplinary issue as it relates to tryouts and next season.
- Disciplinary issue – Discussion about potential reinstatement of a player. The Board voted 6-1 against allowing the player to be reinstated for next season.

HEYLINGER TOURNAMENT:

- Tournament went very well, a thanks to all involved. Refunds issued to 10U teams. Maine Evolution issued \$700 (didn't have Mite team).

TRYOUTS:

- Tryouts to be run by Stride Envy on-ice with potential high school players to help with on-ice support.
- Discussion about the logistics and planning for tryout night (2/25), as well as the post-tryout notification process.
- Hersey to distribute draft of player tuition contract to Board for review prior to updating in Sports Engine.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY: Follow up with Board members to execute the conflict of interest policy document.

PLAYER RELATED:

- Discussion about the request by a parent that their child be considered to play up a level next season. Discussion ensued about the player, the teams, and the policy of moving players outside of birth years. The Board voted 3-2 (two abstentions) against allowing the player to play up a level.

OPEN DISCUSSION:

- a. Gahan – None.
- b. Wintle – None.
- c. Cobb – None.
- d. Burlage – None.
- e. Blouin – None.
- f. Young – None.
- g. Ricci – None.
- h. Fortier – None.
- i. Pass – None.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 7:13 PM