

Sun Valley Youth Hockey Board Meeting
Hailey Ice Cafe – December 11, 2024



Board members present: Brooke McKenna, Kayla Nisson, Sam Herrick, Ryan Deal, John Kearney, Jeff Lamoureux, Barton Burdette. Jessica not present.

Others present: Sarah Benson, Scott Smith, Nancy Fenn

Call to Order: Brooke called the meeting to order at 6:04pm, quorum established.

Approval of November 2024 meeting minutes with minor edits. Minutes approved - Ryan motioned, Jeff seconded, all approved.

Discussion

Executive Director - Scott Smith

Coaches meetings have been priority number one and the meetings have been going well. Player mid-season evals have started with the Squirts and will continue with all levels by the end of next week. Eval info to be shared with coaches.

Mid-season skating opportunity with Jason Gore and Tanner Dody coming in from Colorado to do a holiday camp. Will need to get the message out ASAP with sign up and general options of times available. Skates are free to SVYH enrolled kids.

Discussion ensued about the Overspeed camp planned for February. There are a few levels who have asked to be excluded from the camp so the board discussed whether we need to be mandating via policy that coaches utilize camp offerings, whether it will be worth Overspeed's time to come out here, and ensuring their relationship with Hailey Ice is not compromised. Jeff to follow up with Overspeed.

Registrar's Report – Nancy Fenn

IAHA grants due for submission. Nancy would like us to pursue funding for coaching education as costs have more than tripled due to coach reimbursement requests (\$156 per coach if they requested reimbursement for all). Total grants would help offset roughly \$2200 worth of expenses. Nancy suggests we don't reimburse for USA Hockey number costs next season.

Motion - John made a motion to support writing both grants for reimbursement of coaching education costs - Sam second, all approved.

Nancy would like to encourage us to identify an independent SafeSport Coordinator for next season. SportsEngine contract renewal coming up, they are wanting us to sign a 3-year contract - \$799/year and a minimum of \$250,000 in transactions processed per year. Brooke asked to see the contract language to understand early termination. TBD on decision.

Squirts are setting up a game day with refs and jerseys. Nancy let the Squirt coaches know that their special jerseys do not comply with our sponsorship agreement and therefore should not be worn outside of game days. Jeff to follow up with John Colgate for jersey sponsorships as checks have yet to be received.

Future Suns - December 21, seniors and recent alums participate. If it becomes a SVYH benefit night, we'll need volunteers to help out. Girls Alumni event December 26th, twenty girls signed up already.

Discussion around Kaly's effort and potential compensation. Board decided to give her two gift certificates and a signed card from the board to say TY. Discussion around Ryan Thompson and his efforts for goalie coaching and support. Scott will research how much time he is putting in and who else is participating then get back to board with compensation suggestion.

Hailey Ice – Sarah Benson

Things around the rink are good. No issues at the high school tournament. Girls' showcase for ages 12-16 coming up this weekend. Lots of home tournaments in January. Curling clinic over the holidays. Should be fun!

ODR is scheduled to open on Christmas. We'll see!

SVYH Treasurer's Report –

Review of the budget to date.

President's Report– Brooke McKenna

Guidebook edits are still outstanding. Jeff will help. They'll bring it to us in January. Brooke shared parents' concern about goalie evaluations with the board.

With Jessical Pollock stepping off the board, we now have a Board Secretary vacancy. The decision was made to put a call out to potential candidates in the next newsletter and to conduct internal recruiting within the SVYH program.

Brooke will bring draft Bylaw updates to the January meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:07pm. Ryan motioned, and Kayla seconded.

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday January 8, 2025, 6:00pm, Hailey Ice Cafe
Minutes submitted by Brooke McKenna, SVYH President, December 30, 2024