

# Sun Prairie Youth Hockey Association Board Meeting Minutes

Sunday, November 10, 2024 – 6:00 pm

Meeting called to order at 5:59 pm. Meeting was in person at Sun Prairie Ice Arena.

## Board Members Present:

President – Eric Morehouse

Past President – Ryan Dunt

Incoming President – Mark Gernetzke

Secretary – Sara Pieper

Bantam Rep – Jennifer Billings

PeeWee Rep – Casey Moen

Squirt Rep – Tracey Miller

Mite Rep – Allison McKee

Mini-Mite Rep – Tony Uhlenkamp

Coaches Rep – Larry Clemens

**Board Members Absent:** Girls' Rep – Megan Davis

**Attendance:** Tim Grebel, Brad Grebe, Jenny Underwood, Colleen Uhlenkamp, Scott Vandenberg, Megan Jordan, Brianna Behselich

1. Public Comments
2. Affirmation of Email Votes
  - a. Approve Bantam A team rep
    - *Jen motioned to approve Bantam A team rep for the 2024-2025 season. Casey second, motion passed unanimously.*
  - b. Approve Bantam B team rep
    - *Jen motioned to approve Bantam B team rep for the 2024-2025 season. Casey second, motion passed unanimously.*
  - c. Approve Squirt C team rep
    - *Tracey motioned to approve Squirt C team rep for the 2024-2025 season. Jen second, motion passed unanimously.*
3. Appointments & Membership Changes
4. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS
  - a. Secretary – Sara Pieper
    - October meeting notes
      - *Jen motioned to approve October meeting notes. Casey second, motion passed unanimously.*
  - b. Treasurer – Stephen Elmer
    - Treasurer reports shared in advance of board meeting; ~70% of dues collected
  - c. President Elect – Mark Gernetzke
    - None
  - d. Past President – Ryan Dunt
    - None
  - e. President – Eric Morehouse
    - None
5. COMMITTEE REPORTS
  - a. Volunteer Committee
    - DIBS hours for mini/mite nets
    - Request to hold concessions training earlier in the season
    - 152 DIBs hours allocated for Taste of Madison, but ~\$1000 less profit YOY
  - b. Annual Fundraising Committee
    - SPYHA will fund raffle baskets for tournaments. Families are encouraged to donate baskets, but they are not mandatory and DIBs credits will not be provided
  - c. Communications Committee
    - Communications report shared in advance of board meeting
  - d. Registrar
    - None

- e. Groundhog Games Tournament Committee
    - Numbers are down for tournaments
    - Mini Mites: 4 teams registered
    - Mites: 5 teams registered
    - Squirt A: 5 teams registered, would like to get one more
    - Squirt B: 8 teams registered
    - Squirt C1: 4 teams, cap at 6
    - PeeWee C1: 7 teams registered, can add one more
    - SPYHA families/fans are required to only cover our penalty box; visiting teams cover their box
  - f. Concession Stand Committee
    - Prices were raised due to the increased cost of goods
    - Concession stand staffing discussion:
      - No one under 14 years of age is allowed in the concession stand
      - The Concessions Committee will maintain a list of Bantam players to be on call to support concession stand. Bantam players who work in the concession stand will be paid by check.
    - SP Ice Coffee Cart will be opening soon
  - g. USA Hockey Initiatives
    - None
  - h. ACE Director(s)
    - A few coaches with outstanding requirements
  - i. Equipment Managers
    - SPYHA received additional donations from the Capital's summer event
  - j. Jersey Coordinator
    - Require additional Mini Mite jerseys based on registration numbers
  - k. Spirit Wear / Bags
    - Order links have closed, but will reopen for the holidays
  - l. Region 4 Meeting
    - None
6. LEVEL REP REPORTS
- a. Mini-Mite
    - 45 registrants; up from 38 in the 2023-2024 season. Second session registration is open.
    - First session games begin in December.
    - Running clock training for families and fans
  - b. Mite
    - Team reps are finalized
    - Tournaments are set
  - c. Squirt
    - Groundhog Games this weekend for Squirt B
  - d. PeeWee
    - Groundhog Games this weekend for PeeWee B
  - e. Bantams
    - First tournament this weekend in Cedar Rapids
  - f. Midgets
    - United tryouts are this week
    - Registrants will be communicated with once final counts are in
  - g. Coaches' Rep
    - Classroom has been helpful for the coaches and players; see early wins
  - h. Girls Rep
    - Cougars and Sun Prairie United youth night is Jan 16
    - Working on Dragons youth event for 6-10 girls
    - Cougars are going to help out with practices
7. OLD Business
- a. Fundraising Committee Responsibilities and Dues Reduction Initiative Proposal
    - Stephen connecting with the Fundraising Committee to ensure understanding of new committee responsibilities
8. NEW Business
- a. Social media policy review

- Will cover next month
  - b. Team rep approval policy
    - Casey motioned to approve adding verbiage to policy manual stating that team reps of all levels need to be approved by the board. Jen second, motion passed unanimously.
  - c. Next Board Meeting
  - d. Dec. 8 at 6:00 pm
9. Adjourn
- Jen motioned to adjourn. Tony second, motion passed unanimously.
10. Closed Session
- a. Approved open committee position volunteers for the 2024-2025 season:
    - Melissa Baker: Volunteer Committee
    - Rebecca Hosmer: Equipment Committee
  - b. Voted on registration fee adjustment