

## DOVER YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

### MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 23<sup>RD</sup>, 2021 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

#### 6:30 PM-DOVER ICE ARENA CONFERENCE ROOM

John O'Brien-President  
J.T. Fortier-Vice President  
Josh Hersey-Treasurer  
Steven Riker-Secretary

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021 Dover Youth Hockey Association-Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 6: 35 PM in the Conference Room of the Dover Ice Arena.

**The following board members were present:** John O' Brien, Josh Hersey, Ben Grigas, Steven Riker, Jen Surina, Mike Young-Director of Hockey Operations & Scheduler.

- II. **FINANCE UPDATE:** Josh Hersey-Treasurer provided the board with a finance update.

Current balance of \$524,661 in accounts, \$437,000 of \$524,661 is operating accounts.

Cash Calendars-Determination of price point was discussed. Discussion continued regarding price point of \$10 each VS. \$20 each. Jen Surina commented that she assumed each family would sell 20 calendars each. Ben Grigas commented that Dover Baseball sold calendars for \$10 each. Discussion continued regarding pricing. Josh Hersey commented that the budget was based on 175 travel and 50 house players. Families with multiple players would not be required to sell 10 each, most likely 15. Families with more than 2 would be encouraged to sell a total of 15 calendars. Josh Hersey asked about drawing date, consensus was to draw in December before the holidays. Prizes for most sales was discussed including free tuition. Mike Young mentioned a raffle ticket for each calendar sold beyond 10. Josh Hersey mentioned a tiered approach for prizes and Josh will collaborate with JT Fortier on putting it in writing.

Refund Checks were cut by Mary Ann. A total of 68 rebate checks were cut and along with tuition credits the total was \$12,008, and an additional \$7,200 will be added to the Scholarship Account. Some people did not respond to the registration, so that money was moved to the scholarship account. Adding the \$7,200 to ~\$10K already in the account provides ~17K in scholarship account.

Bingo-John O'Brien asked about squirt coaches reaching out regarding bingo. John confirmed that he will communicate to find volunteers. Josh Hersey said that Chuck & Derral Mancuso reached out to volunteer.

Sponsors-Change on website from Dan Tolend as the contact for sponsors. John O'Brien stated that he would like JT to handle that responsibility and will discuss it with him. Josh Hersey that Coolidge Construction was interested in sponsorship again for this season.

AR looks OK for this time of year. Some people have reached out for repayment plans.

III. **OPERATIONS UPDATE:**

Hannu contract-John O'Brien stated that he got the contract, and before he signs it and sends it back, he wants to make sure that the board is OK without the "add-ons" that Hannu agreed to via email. The board agreed that we have a paper trail and John O'Brien should execute the contract.

Coaches Meeting/Team managers/USA Hockey Registration-Mike Young stated that the coached meeting is Wednesday (Aug 25<sup>th</sup>) @ 7PM at the rink. PHL is meeting at 8 and the plan is to join that meeting remotely. John O'Brien asked Mike Young about NH Hockey applying COVID rules this season. Mike Young stated there has not been any discussion on that issue. Mike Young stated that coaches and player registration have been coming in. Mike also reiterated that background checks would also need to be completed. John O'Brien stated that the Stride Envy coaches need to be registered, Mike Young stated that skill providers only needed the background checks.

Night at Whitt-John O'Brien confirmed it is on as planned, Boston College VS UNH.

Scholarship Committee Update-Tia will provide info at a later date. Josh Hersey said there are 8-10 scholarship registrations. Josh Hersey stated that some money in the fund rolls over from year to year.

Pure Hockey-Ben stated that he discussed partnership and was instructed to send an email to the Portsmouth store, which he did and hasn't received a response, but will follow up.

Ice Kings Update-Ben spoke with Perry Plummer about ice bills and Perry was open to whatever solution the board deemed necessary.

New Game Sheet Process-Mike Young explained that the PHL & GSL will be requiring all game sheets to be completed using an iPad via the GameSheet app. Discussion continued amongst the board about acquiring iPads to use, how they would be used, where they would be kept at the rink or would each team need to have one. The board determined that reaching out to each team for the donation of an iPad would be the place to start.

Slack Communications-The board discussed what types of communications should be executed via Slack and what should be communicated via email. John O'Brien stated that external communications should be done via email. Most board members stated that Slack is nice for general communication and worked well. Tia provided a spreadsheet to the board of all registered Slack users. The board agreed to remove some users that are no longer associated with the program.

St. Cyr-Mike Young stated the Keith's on broke his wrist and would likely not be cleared to return by the end of midget season and is asking the board for a tuition refund. Josh Hersey stated it is a split season tuition of approximately \$900.

***Motion: Motion to approve full refund made by John O'Brien, second by Steve Riker, no discussion, board voted UNANIMOUSLY to approve.***

Coaches Apparel-A discussion continued amongst the board regarding the association purchasing apparel for coaches. Mike Young stated that purchasing apparel for all coaches would be a \$9K expense. The board agreed that the coaches would be surveyed as to who needs apparel and who does not would be the best starting point. Other coaching needs were discussed as well. Mike Young said that he would discuss apparel needs with coaches at the coaches meeting on Wednesday.

IV. **OPEN DISCUSSION:**

John O'Brien went around the table for additional topics of discussion.

Mike Young-none  
Ben Grigas-none  
Jen Surina-none  
Josh Hersey-none  
Steve Riker-none

John O'Brien adjourned the meeting at 8:01 PM.

Respectfully Submitted by Steve Riker-Secretary on September 8, 2021.