

# WHA BOARD MEETING AGENDA

**Date:** Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 6:30pm

**Location:** Civic Center

## Board Members Present:

Travis Michelson, Justin Rucks, Cory Fladeboe, Corey Hanson, Katie Jones, Brooke Dahl, Ashley Thole, Darin Strand, Justin Jorgenson, Shannon Lindquist, Erik Rannetsberger

Absent: Shawn Engstrom

## Guests Present:

None in attendance

## Approval of Minutes

Motion by Darin to approve minutes from last meeting on November 27. Second by Cory F. No additional discussion, motion carries. Ashley to post past minutes to website.

## New Business

Evan Jones – Match Penalty Update

- D5 meeting on 12/6/23 – hearing was conducted. In Katie's opinion it appeared some on the board were more concerned about the comment made to the ref as he was being escorted off vs the actual reason of the match penalty. Waiting for word from the district on the official punishment. They have 7 days and will let the family know via email. Evan is still not allowed to participate in USA hockey functions at this time.

12U New Player

- A new player potentially coming. Travis has reached out to the mom. Trying to feel out starting time and get her registered. Need to determine the dues cost for this player. Looked at ice touches and dibs left for the season to determine a price.
  - Darin made a motion to have a due fee set \$650 – second made by Justin Rucks, no additional discussion. Motion carries.
  - The family will need to do a jersey deposit and dibs check deposit.

Brooke Larson (Larson Family)

- Helmet stickers have been ordered and are being handed out. A few teams have these already, more to hand out soon.

- Matt at Procolor to donate a banner to hang in the rink and sign it.
- Justin J has touched base with Ashley Larson on coaching 12u. She will let us know if she needs help. She wants/needs to be here, she enjoys it. Justin J needs to be added to the 12U roster for sure, as the Girls Coordinator. Possibly consider adding another coach to the USA hockey roster, just in case.
- Mike Bowman and the Bantam team put together a video and sent to Brooke and her family this past weekend.
- The Board will keep checking in on the family to see how we may help them at this time.

## WHA Committee Updates

### Executive

- No update

### Finance

- Shawn was absent tonight. He did send an email out to the board a few days before the meeting with a recap. His email stated that we have 6 failed payments that need resolving. Shawn has reached out to those families to remind them.

### Fundraising

- Cash Raffle – Final push. Where are we at? Matt needs to have ALL ticket stubs and eventually get them to Travis.
  - Foxhole may not be open, might have to do the drawing in the parking lot. Travis will check in with Liv on getting us in there for the drawing.
  - Possible recording the drawing. Facebook live or post results.
  - Need cash on hand for winnings. Travis is going to ask our state contact how much cash is reasonable to have on hand for this type of event.
  - Many Board members are gone on the 15<sup>th</sup> so just a few people will be there. Those around should plan to attend.
- Greens – All money collected? How many families did not meet the requirements? – moving this to the next meeting when Shawn is back to provide the best update.

### Marketing/Recruitment

- No update tonight

### Off-Ice

- Coaching coats are almost done.

### Grievance

- No grievances so far this season. No committee meetings have happened either.
- Justin R received one contact on a team matter, but they were able to resolve it on the team, no further board action needed.

## Gambling

- Pull Tabs – Gambling Manager role – needs to be filled ASAP (Travis cannot be President AND Gambling Manager) ANY voting member of the association is able to fill this position. Training will be provided. The new manager has 60 days to complete the training.
- Travis is going to reach out to the licensing department and figure out exactly who and when this needs to be in place, based on our current gambling situation.
- Report corrections are now due 1/1/24 to the state.
- The Oaks goes under new ownership around the beginning part of the year. New/updated contracts will be needed with the new owners.

## Tournament

- 10U/12U Tournament – finished today. Overall went well. Our girls did great, 12u took 3<sup>rd</sup> and 10u took 2<sup>nd</sup>.
  - The only hiccup was a scheduling one. The QR code was different from Tourney Machine for schedule, and this caused a bit of confusion.
  - Both mornings the National Anthem was forgotten. Just need this as a reminder for the first games of the day.
  - Justin R got some great reviews from a team that stayed in Spicer at Grand Stay.
- PeeWee Tournament Teams – To cancel or not to cancel, that is the question. PWA needs 1 team. PWB1 full and PW2 full. Brooke has a few leads to fill. She has been emailing several teams, in a few states, to try and get one to come.
  - We may consider offering a bigger discount to get it filled.
- Discussion surrounding the pool play regarding scheduling and how a team plays another team more than once. How are other tournaments scheduled? Take pictures on brackets as samples. Maybe there is a different way we could do this.

## Hockey Operations

- No update tonight

## WHA Non-Committee Updates

### Ice Scheduling

- We need to schedule a meeting with AI, Travis, Shawn, Darin and Corey. Things we'd like to cover in this meeting are:
  - Ice budgeting - ice touches
    - Is there room to put more time on the calendar due to the greens fundraiser success?
  - How do we handle open ice times, or requesting more time
  - Succession planning/training

### Registration

- Bantam Player Refund –
  - The 3 boys that moved to Varsity – Shawn needs to confirm if these have been issued to the families.
  - Victoria Skaggs' refund is being requested by the family to be donated to the Larson family. Shawn will need to coordinate this with the family.

## **Additional Business**

### D5 Meeting update

- Main thing is the number of major and match penalties so far. 29 major, 3 match.

### D5 Girls Rep

- Tap into AAA – trying to get those age eligible girls to sign up for MN hockey programs.
- Grow tier program
- Shannon Lindquist is willing to fill this role.
  - Motion made by Ashley T to have Shannon Lindquist be the WHA D5 Girls Rep. Cory F second. Motion carries.

### Google forms – for surveys – what is our goal?

- Keep it simple, do a pulse check.
- Brooke will update the survey form and get our feedback
- Link for website for feedback link to be posted.

## **Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn made by Katie Jones - Second by Shannon Lindquist

## **Next Meeting**

6PM, Monday, December 18<sup>th</sup> at the Civic Center.