

Sioux Falls Youth Hockey Association

Board of Directors Meeting

April 14, 2021

6:30pm

Sanford Conference Room – SCHEELS IcePlex

President Adam Gorra called the Sioux Falls Youth Hockey Association Board of Directors meeting to order. Board members in attendance were Adam Gorra (President), Sam Everson (Vice-President), Chad Dykstra (Member at Large), Andy DeMore (Development Director), Mark Bukovich (Travel League Director), Ed Davis (Secretary), Lindsay Erickson (Treasurer), Aimee Chase (Director of Tournaments) and Dave Carlson (City League Director). Quorum was present. Cherry Hunter (Executive Assistant), Dan Houck (Director of Hockey), Amanda Smith (Incoming Board Member), Derek Berg (Incoming Board Member), Penny Malwitz, Jerry Fromm and Connor Halbert were also in attendance.

Introductions & Welcome – New board members and continuing board members were introduced. New board members will have voting rights starting with the May meeting.

Secretary's Report – Aimee Chase made a motion to approve the March 10, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting minutes as submitted. Motion seconded and carried.

Treasurers Report – Lindsay Erickson – Lindsay presented the April 11, 2021 Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Statement. Board members reviewed various line items. Tournament net was down. No Room Roster rebates, no spiritwear sales except SDAHA tourney, no Squirt tournament and 10% concessions rebate from IP was down by 62%. Concessions 10% is not available during the SDAHA Tournament due to beer sales not allowed. Discussion was focused on ice usage, ice costs and IcePlex service.

- SFYHA utilized 223 more hours during the 2020-2021 season than in 2019-2020 season
 - Added extra week to the season.
 - More home non-league games
 - Added Tier level to the Mite City program
- SFYHA pays same ice rate as private rental. As the major tenant, should not our rates be less?
- Need to negotiate/discuss with IP.
 - Amenities
 - 4th sheet of ice
 - Office & storage space
 - Staffing – staff need to be available.
 - Need 4th sheet of ice to host USA Hockey National Tournaments
 - 5th sheet outdoors?
 - Need lights installed in the bay storage areas.

Director of Hockey – Dan Houck

- Worked with Youth Varsity teams at practice leading up to state tournament.
- Attended SDAHA Youth Varsity tournament
- Attended 3 V 3 Spring League games 3 of the 4 Sunday nights.
- Created Performance Review Document for coaches and held meetings/follow up with all travel head coaches.

Admin Report – Cherry Hunter

- ✓ Varsity Tournament Wrap Up – Projected net profit is \$15,000.
- ✓ Spring 3 V 3 League Report – Recommend Mites be limited to 50 players. Too many Mites were moved up to Squirts and then Squirt moved to PW/BT. Spring 3 V 3 Report provided to the board.

- ✓ Need one more Live Scoring Computer for the IcePlex -estimate cost \$350. Board members approved purchase of 2 Live Scoring laptops. Board members requested check with Randy Preston on status of music computers.
- ✓ Monthly Board Meetings – Meetings will continue on 2nd Wednesday each month.
- ✓ Registration projections for 2021/22 with side-by-side comparison to 2020/21 numbers submitted to the board.

Presidents Report – Adam Gorra

- IcePlex Request – IcePlex wants to dispose of 3 sets of goals. Chad is working on storage options.
- Director of Goaltending – Coach Houck noted Coach Wildung may want to spend less time with the SFYHA next season. Suggested a paid team coach who is also a goalie coach with possible increase in salary. With specialized coaching for goalies, should they pay an extra fee?
- SDAHA Meeting – May 8 in Brookings – Adam & Cherry attending
 Playing Rule Proposals:
 1. 3 Official System at GV-2021 Proposal: *Switch from 2 referee system to 1 referee/2 linesman* – SFYHA Supports. Change will result in \$35 more per home game in referee fees for GV.
 2. Uniformed Helmet-Helmet Rule: *Clean up to comply with USA Hockey Coach Helmet rule* - SFYHA Supports
 3. GJV Period Length: *Change to 17 minute periods from 15 minute* - SFYHA Supports
 4. BJV Resurface: *Resurface every period instead of only between period 2 and period 3* – SFYHA does not support.
 5. 5 Minute Intermission: *When no Zamboni required, rest period would be 5 minutes instead of the current 2 minute rest period.* – SFYHA does not support.
 6. 5 Penalty Rule-2 Attachments one is proposal, and one is more details on the USA Hockey Rule: *Eliminates the 3 penalty Disqualification Rule.* – SFYHA Supports
 7. Video Review Changes 2021: *Video review requests to be submitted within 3 days of infraction. Previously 14 days.* – SFYHA Supports
 Admin Rules:
 8. Security at Games: *Requires local to have visible security on site for games.* SFYHA does not support. Varsity only? Consequences?
 State Tournament Rules:
 9. JV Tournaments: *Eliminates SDAHA JV Tournament* – SFYHA does not support.
 10. Teams for State Tournaments: *Requires minimum of 5 teams in a league to host an end of year SDAHA Tournament* – SFYHA Supports
 11. Girls Tourney: *Requires 4 man referee system for Girls Varsity and Girls JV SDAHA Tournaments* – SFYHA does not support.
 Discussion Item:
 12. Future Varsity Tournaments – *Host Girls Varsity and Youth Varsity in same location on same dates*

Old Business:

- ✓ Rebranding – Chad surveyed his son's high school group, 60% are fine with current jerseys and logo is fine. Two responses were no opinion.
- ✓ Revisit Flyers Office Construction Bid – Jerry Fromm reported the city has approved the current plans for office space in the northwest corner of the Stampede rink. Construction would take 8 weeks. Cost is \$271 per square foot. Most of the work would be subcontracted. No discount pricing had been requested or sweat equity. Total space is 314 square foot with 190 on the lower level and 124 on the upper level. Board members are interested in the cost for a shell to add on to the northwest corner and the approximate size that could be available. Adam will meet with Brian Prisbe and Joe Zueger to discuss the possible addition. Jerry will measure out options for sizing.

- Travel Uniform policy including proposal to order new high school uniforms for 2021-2022 season – Connor Halbert presented Sioux Falls Flyers High School Jersey Proposal. High School teams include Youth Varsity, Youth Jr Varsity, Lady Flyers 14U, Lady Flyers Jr Varsity and Lady Flyers Varsity. The packet included:
 - *Home jersey new design & style – Athletic Knit
 - *Away jersey new design & style – Athletic Knit
 - **"Extras" – breezer covers, gloves, socks & equipment bag
 - *Cost Breakdown
 1. *Lindsay Erickson made a motion to approve the jersey designs for the high school teams. For returning players, SFYHA will cover half of the jersey cost at approximately \$8500 for 90 returning players. Motion seconded and carried.*
 2. *Andy DeMore made a motion to approve breezer cover and socks as required gear for high school teams with cost to be paid by the players. Motion seconded and carried.*
 3. *Andy DeMore made a motion to require Squirt thru High School travel players carry either a Flyers custom bag or unaffiliated bag (no other team). Motion seconded and carried*
 4. *Andy DeMore made a motion for Squirt, Girls 10U, PeeWee and Bantam travel players to wear navy gloves with white print. The navy with white print gloves are recommended for the 2021-2022 season and required starting with the 2022-2023 season. Motion to amend approved: High School teams will wear navy gloves with orange print. This will be recommended for the 2021-2022 season and navy with orange print gloves required at the high school level for 2022-2023 season. Motion as amended, seconded and carried.*
 5. *Andy DeMore made a motion for high school players to utilize custom Flyers Bauer bag. The Bauer bag is recommended for the 2021-2022 season and required for the 2022-2023 season. Motion seconded and carried.*

The SF Flyers Travel Uniform Requirement Policy will be updated to reflect the changes. Equipment bags, breezer covers and gloves for high school players will be available thru SFYHA approved vendor.

Committee Reports

Spiritwear 2021 – Kay Bain

Spiritwear went well. We were glad to have in person sales at the rink. I also think Cherry having hats and masks available during script sales has been very convenient for families.

Having the online store continuously open starting in August was a positive. We are just wrapping up the store for the season and Borch's will cut a check to the organization.

I think we may need to revisit what we want our teams to look like. Do we want them in Bauer warm-ups? Or do we give teams other options? This year I had request for individual team sweatshirts. It is fun to see teams in matching apparel representing our organization. But we need to educate members on proper protocol and use of our logo.

Travel Game Jersey Coordinator – Janice Bolcerek

All travel jerseys have been returned except for 4 jersey sets. Jersey hand out in the fall is always interesting, but I think we were down to about a handful of players/parents that were not totally satisfied with the jerseys due to poor sizing (too large). If the budget allows it would be nice to place an order for some additional jerseys again before fall (maybe 20 to 25 sets). Many jerseys (adult sizes) that we have in the closets are greater than 10 years old and the stitched logo on the front of the blue jerseys are showing their age. I am not looking to replace all of those jerseys since JV and varsity now buy their own, but there are some of the smaller adult sizes that may be needed for the peewee and bantam levels. If possible, I would request an order of some more youth jerseys and some smaller adult sized jerseys. However, I am not fully aware of the happenings with the jersey committee and the thoughts about a new logo for the flyers... therefore, I am not sure what would make sense about ordering additional jerseys.

Motion adjourned 10:45pm

NEXT MEETING
May 12, 2021 6:30 pm
Sanford Conference Room at the IcePlex

Respectfully submitted,
Cherry Hunter
SFYHA Executive Assistant

Adopted May 12, 2021 by oral resolution at meeting / written correspondence
(Date) (Circle one)