

Waterloo Youth Hockey Association  
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023

**Board Members Present:** Amy Knoll, Amy Schaefer, Charlotte Bushbaum, Katie Reicherts, Katy Harbaugh, Mindy Gordon, Lisa Schwickerath, Erica Harn, Jenette Jebe, Dan Bumblauskas, Rory MacLearn, Justin Metcalf, Jason Dobes

**Phone:** Jen Seifried

**Meeting Called to Order:** 6:00pm

**Financial Reports:**

- Warriors – Lisa Schwickerath – nothing to report as meeting was called up, small claims has been resolved
- Jr Hawks –Amy Knoll – Battle of Waterloo final registration still coming in due to sports engine, along with house league. Paid Raisty a reimbursement passed by board via email, and are waiting final coach hours submissions from goalie, etc. as season wraps up. Motion to approve Bushbaum, 2<sup>nd</sup> Gordon, motion carries. Knoll excused after presenting financials and one other item of business.

**Approval of Minutes:** February Meeting Minutes – approved via email.

**Committee Reports:**

- Development Committee: Spring Ice planning underway, Wirtjes had reached out about a more robust system and Dobes and are collaborating.
- Disciplinary Committee – Item resolved, no further issues.
- Fundraising/Special Events Committee: MacLearn – parade planning gearing up.

**Affiliate Reports:**

- High School (MHSHL) – Dellinger: Sioux City Varsity 2023 champs, Omaha JV Champs. Projections of 6 graduating, 12 incoming fresh/soph
- Midwest League (MWAHA) – Metcalf/Bumblauskas - Nothing to report.

**Other Reports:**

- ACE Coordinator – Dobes: Nothing to report.
- Apparel – Swanson: Nothing to report.
- House League – Seifried – nothing to report.
- Ice Scheduler – Bushbaum: proposed Team Reach calendar vs Google. Need to make sure changes are also getting onto sports engine calendar as well where the rink and the refs reference, this will be further addressed in manager meeting at end of season for 23-24
- Referee in Chief – nothing to report.
- Registrar – Kerns: nothing to report.
- Safesport / Compliance – Metcalf: nothing to report.
- Sponsorships – Harbaugh: nothing to report.
- Webmaster – Harbaugh: Board voting closes Thursday.

## Old Business:

- Ongoing discussion on policy changes, highlights in new business.

## New Business:

- Will be bringing policy revisions to April board meeting. Some are part of March New Business:
  - Projections – Have first drafts coming in, we will have a goalie shortage issue to address at the Bantam and Pee Wee levels- no change here from when Shaefer presented in February, other than a suggestion that we look in June to adjusting budgets to see how we can address the issue. Motion proposed by Schaefer for the following: If a team due to position fulfillment on a travel roster has a need of a position to be filled, the development committee will have authorization to offer a key roster player dues for one team while being able to utilize across other teams. Unanimously approved.
  - Key Positions –There was an online vote of 11-1-1 regarding spouses serving on the board even at different levels concurrently due to past issues that didn't make it into policy. There were members under the impression that this was for 24-25 year vote as their applications were accepted, but a banner was added after the board test vote stating one would be allowed to serve per their choice. It will be put into policy that one guardian per player will be allowed to run for the board and at one level of their choice. This is a first come, first serve application basis upon submission time of application.
  - Non-voting members of board not present at meetings – how does this play out when treasurer is the non-voting member for board efficiencies and is able to resolve in person with board.
  - Establishing a social media policy on as members of the WYHA keeping the organization in a positive light rather than taking to social media and creating internal and external organization issues for parents, players and personnel all included
- Misunderstanding on House coach participation in coach party from February resolved, voted to allow funds for separate get together. Bumblauskas and MacLearn abstain.
- Metcalf states we have \$250 coming from Blackhawks from light sabers sold at game per Joe Greene.
- Non-filed dispute issue heard out between 2 board members. As neither submitted an official complaint, no further action at this time and will clarify in policy for April communication policies and expectations.
- Bumblauskas and some squirt parents looking into re-starting some initiatives for a second sheet of ice, may look into a sub-committee in future.

Meeting adjourned 7:54.