



# SAGINAW BAY ICE ARENA

*Home of the Greater Saginaw Amateur Hockey Association*

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## **GSAHA Board of Directors Monthly Meeting      Date 11/16/22**

### **Members Present:**

**Members Absent:** Jim Bailey, DJ Bordeaux, Vicki Norris, Trisha Gray

**Others Present:** Matt Lockwood, Stephanie Hayward, Jamie Furbush, Kenny Benson, Kimm Richer, Coach Neil

Meeting called to order at 8:16

### **President's Report (Furbush):**

**Secretary's Report (Bailey):** Jim shared the Minutes from our meeting 10/12/22 on October 17, 2022. Here is the link to them: [SBIA October 2022 Minutes](#)

### **Treasurer's Report (Lockwood):**

- See report (xxxx)

### **Arena Manager/Program Report (Benson):**

- Kenny introduced Neil. He is a skating coach in the area and is looking to get involved and do some skating coaching in the association. 25 years experience (67 years old). He has lived in Ann Arbor and worked at local rinks. Moved to Bay City and hasn't found a "home base" and hasn't found a lot of luck in Bay City. He is looking around to see where he can help. He has been impressed by what he's seen in Saginaw. Jamie & Kenny are setting something up outside of the meeting to see how he might support. Neil will send Kenny an email regarding rates and will go from there.
- Try Hockey for Free went well. 25 kids signed up, but only about half showed up. All went home with treats and flyers for the learn to skate program. A few have already registered.
- Midget regular season draft completed – 2 teams were formed – typically 3 (not many players were cut from high school teams). This has decreased our numbers. Trying to find coaches and volunteers to help.
- Junior nets have been assembled and are currently being used. This has been a positive change. It keeps the game moving because the puck is always moving.
- Kenny is starting to fill open ice with clinics (goalies, defensive clinics, etc).

### **Referee Report (Smith):**

### **House Liaison (Hayward/Bailey):**

- Squirt tournament in Cadillac - Saginaw played each other in Semi-finals and Squirt 2 made it to the championship game.
- PeeWee tournament in Cadillac - Both Saginaw teams attended. Saginaw 1 played in the semi-final game.
- Atoms & Mites are registered for jamborees

### **Travel Liaison (Bamberger):**

### **Coaching Director (Furbush):**

### **Marketing Director (Hayward/Bailey):**

- Saginaw Hockey store is almost ready

- If we are able to have everything up and ready to go by Friday the 18th we could have a cutoff date around the 25th-27th and still be able to do Christmas gifts. The group was on board for getting this out there asap
- Kenny will send out to all teams and families once set
- Steph & Jim will do a facebook campaign
- Jamie has been in contact with Brandon/Saginaw Spirit — they are talking about sponsoring families with financial hardships — we would then put our logo on Saginaw Hockey gear. Jamie is proposing an annual sponsorship. We will move forward with the store as is and revisit the sponsorship on shirts later (shirts that will be distributed to all kids in GSAHA).

**Safe Sport Director** (Smith):

**Fundraising Report** (Gray):

**Discipline Report** (Lockwood):

(Norris):

(Richter):

(Bourdow):

**Old Business:**

**New Business:**

Meeting adjourned at 9:18 PM