

**Sioux Falls Youth Hockey Association**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
May 12, 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), Derek Berg (Development Director), Mark Bukovich (Travel League Director), Ed Davis (Secretary), Lindsay Erickson (Treasurer) and Amanda Smith (Director of Tournaments). Quorum was present. Cherry Hunter (Executive Assistant) and Dan Houck (Director of Hockey) and Connor Halbert were also in attendance. Board members absent were Sam Everson, Chad Dykstra and Dave Carlson.

Secretary's Report – Lindsay Erickson made a motion to approve the April 14, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting minutes as submitted. Motion seconded and carried.

Treasurers Report – Lindsay Erickson – Lindsay presented the April 30, 2021 Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Statement. More home ice was utilized during the 2020-2021 season than prior season. Budget planning will begin at the June meeting.

Director of Hockey – Dan Houck

- Held high school coaching meeting with Head Coaches for 2021-2022 team planning.
- Met with Brandon Wildung regarding 2021-2022 availability. Brandon will be working the Wednesday night goalie session as the lead coach. His time will be limited for other Flyers training. SFYHA will need 2 Assistant Goalie coaches.

Admin Report – Cherry Hunter

- ✓ Brochure Updates – Board members were requested to submit updates to Cherry.
- ✓ Board of Director Requirements – Background screen every other season. SafeSport is required annually. SFYHA Code of Conduct required for all board members.
- ✓ Bylaw Updates – Need updates
- ✓ Play Up Policy – Lindsay Erickson made a motion to add the following to the SFYHA Play Up Policy: “Player must be registered at age-appropriate level prior to submitting request for Play Up consideration.” Motion seconded and carried.
- ✓ Growth & Retention – Board members approved display banner at Wild Water West. Space rental fee is \$300. The banner needs to be simple & eye catching. Adam will proof prior to printing.
- ✓ Tentative Fall dates for SFYHA events were included in board packets.

Presidents Report – Adam Gorra

- Goal Net Storage – Chad is working on options.
- Director of Goaltending search continues. Coach Houck and Adam are checking options.
- SDAHA Meeting – May 8 in Brookings –Playing Rules:
  1. 3 Official System at GV-2021 Proposal Form: *Switch from 2 referee system to 1 referee/2 linesman* **Passed**
  2. Uniformed Helmet-Helmet Rule: *Clean up to comply with USA Hockey Coach Helmet rule* **Passed**
  3. GJV Period Length: *Change to 17-minute periods from 15 minute* **Passed**
  4. BJV Resurface: *Resurface every period instead of only between period 2 and period 3* **Passed**
  5. 5 Minute Intermission: *When no Zamboni required, rest period would be 5 minutes instead of the current 2-minute rest period.* **Passed**
  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.* **Failed**
  7. Video Review Changes 2021: *Video review requests to be submitted within 3 days of infraction. Previously 14 days.* **Passed**

Admin Rules:

8. Security at Games: *Requires local to have visible security on site for games.* **Failed**

State Tournament Rules:

9. JV Tournaments: *Eliminates SDAHA JV Tournament* **Tabled**

10. Teams for State Tournaments: *Requires minimum of 5 teams in a league to host an end of year SDAHA Tournament* **Passed**

11. Girls Tourney: *Requires 4 man referee system for Girls Varsity and Girls JV SDAHA Tournaments* **Failed**

Discussion Item:

12. Future Varsity Tournaments – *Host Girls Varsity and Youth Varsity in same location on same dates* **Supported – work will continue on this option**

### **Old Business:**

- Office/Storage/Dryland Space Plans – Options suggested by Jerry Fromm were reviewed. Plan is to discuss with IP staff at May 17 User Group meeting.
- High School Uniform Updates – Sizing for eligible players will begin when jersey, sock, breezer cover and glove samples arrive. Connor Halbert showed sample jersey. Requested letters on the front of the away jersey be 4” with the numbers at 3”. Connor noted the recommended bag is not canvas.

### **New Business:**

- Travel Team Structure per Player Projections – Board members will determine team counts at the June board meeting. Members reviewed registration projections & held a discussion regarding the high school team count. High School league registration fees are not refundable. Suggested conversation with players who may not be high school travel league skilled. Goalie counts per league were presented.
- Fundraiser Options for 2021-2022 – Culligan Salt Sales – Culligan currently provides practice jerseys for our travel players Squirt and older. Salt Sales – Culligan delivers the orders taken by SFYHA families. No minimum amount required. Cherry and Adam will contact Culligan for further details.
- SDAHA Youth Varsity Tournament – Bids are due June 30, 2021 for the March 11-13, 2022 tournament. Board members requested Cherry prepare SFYHA bid in conjunction with Brian Prisbe and CVC.
- Puck Club – Derek Berg – Derek presented proposal for SFYHA Flyers Puck Club. Players will earn credit for stick handling and exercises as noted. Levels will include Bronze Club, Silver Club and Gold Club for skaters and goalies. Sponsored t-shirts, Flyers baseball hats, Flyers stocking hats and listing at the IcePlex are planned for recognition. This will be an off season project for players to improve their skills. Other prize ideas include picture and name plaque at IP and a club member only event. Board members supported the project.
- Flyers Fest Reimagined – Derek Berg – Derek presented proposal for kickoff the season in mid-October with dinner, auction and silent auction. NY Life would prepare the meal with per person charge to cover cost of meal. Need good participation! Possibly replace Fall Parent Meetings? Derek also plans to have \$500 game sponsors with sponsors recognized on the player listing, have sponsor do puck drop, 10 free admissions and announcements during the game. Lindsay Erickson made a motion to form a Fundraising Committee. Committee members will be presented to the board for approval. Motion seconded and carried. Raffle tickets were discussed. A city permit is required for raffle tickets & determination would need to be made if the raffle would be a fundraiser option to earn fundraiser fee credit or required for each family.
- Tournament Fees – USA Hockey Tournament sanction has increased from \$55 to \$250 per tournament. For the SFYHA Squirt/PeeWee/Bantam Tournaments, we sanction tow tournaments at each level – one for A and one for B. Mite Falls Freeze does not need to be

