

Sioux Falls Youth Hockey Association

Board of Directors Meeting

June 6, 2018 6:30pm Conference Room -5000 S. Minnesota Ave

President Adam Gorra called the Sioux Falls Youth Hockey Association Board of Directors Meeting to order. Board members in attendance were Aaron DeBates (V.P.), Brian Dozark (Tournament Director), Matt Carlson (Secretary), Bryce Pattison (Development Director), Mark Bukovich (Travel League Director) and Cole Turner (Treasurer). Quorum was present. Brian Schumacher (City League Director) was excused. Cherry Hunter (Executive Assistant) was present and Dan Houck (Director of Hockey) called in and was watching online.

Approval of the May Minutes were done electronically between meetings.

Open Forum

Rhonda Anderson, Ben Oien and Kay Bain were in attendance.

Ben Oien, presented to the BOD a vision of community service and volunteering become part of being a Flyer hockey player. Several ideas ranged from The Banquet, Bishop Dudley House, Sled Hockey, B-Squad Dog Rescue and many more. A formal policy will be considered by the BOD at the July meeting. Volunteering and working in the community fit in with USA Hockey's commitment to excellence as an organization.

Rhonda Anderson and Kay Bain presented information from the Spiritwear Committee. Kay Bain will chair the Spiritwear Committee with Rhonda Anderson as her assistant. Rhonda and crew have provided a great selection of gear and done a great job completing the task. Last season she and the committee hosted ten different sale nights. Discussion of financials, inventory carryover, possible on-line ordering and vendors were discussed. Several ideas to help make spiritwear more profitable, user friendly and accessible were discussed. Kay Bain reported the fall kickoff is a great event for spiritwear and gives the user group a chance to see what new items.

Growth and Retention Many youth organizations have committees to work specifically on growth and retention. USA Hockey has growth coordinator positions listed on its Club Excellence site as a position. Dan Houck, Director of Hockey is our Hockey Development Coordinator for players 10U and up while Cherry Hunter will serve as the 8U Growth Coordinator.

Locker Room Monitors Carlson will head up a committee to create a plan for the upcoming season to have locker room monitors at all practices and games. Monitors who have been

through SafeSport and approved by the board will help prevent events from happening in the locker room before and after practices and games.

Fall Scheduling Mark is working with Brian Prisbe and the Ice Plex to secure ice time. Aaron DeBates, Brian Schumacher, Mark Bukovich and Dan Houck are heading up the effort for our practice ice schedules.

Atoms Season Board members discussed moving our Atom season into two 8-week seasons instead of one 16-week season. Concerns over how to handle fundraiser fees and player development were discussed.

Grievance Process Clarification of the grievance committee membership was discussed and clarified. DeBates will be joining the committee.

Treasurers Report - Cole Turner

Cole met with First Premier Bank to get signing rights for Adam Gorra. Currently Adam and Cole are the only signers on the account. Cole went over options for cash in our savings account for money markets vs short term CDs. Turner made a motion to deposit \$75,000 from our savings account to a 14-month CD at 1.4 % in First Premier Bank Motion seconded by Pattison and carried. Cole is working on the budget for next season. Ice rental is going up \$5 per hour and paying coaches will need to be put into budget equations.

Vice President - Aaron DeBates

Aaron DeBates presented the board with a Director of Goaltending document to review. The Goaltending Director would have a complete understanding of development as it pertains to goaltenders for skill development with a measurable approach. USA Hockey recognizes a Goaltending Development Coordinator as a position on the Club Excellence resource center.

Travel League Report – Mark Bukovich

Mark has been meeting with all league managers. All Travel Advisory Council positions are filled. Tournament Review committee needs to be formed. Carlson will lead a committee with Aaron DeBates, Jon Erickson and Dan Houck. The committee will work with league managers to help pick and approve tournaments.

City League Director – Brian Schumacher

Schumacher was absent. SFYHA is working on finding as many coaches as possible to help run quality practices for the city league.

Director of Development – Bryce Pattison

Bryce has been out delivering thank you cards and logo golf balls. The golf balls were very well received. Meeting with sponsors is key to continued partnership.

Director of Tournaments – Brian Dozark

SFYHA will keep tournament weekends to 16 teams or less on any tournament weekend. Hosting over 16 teams makes it tough to host SDAHA League games.

Director of Hockey – Dan Houck

Board Notes May 2018

-Skyped Into Town Hall Meeting -Various convos w/ coaches regarding next season and the future of the program -set up meeting w/ Bryce for Sanford Power for next season in July - working on getting coverage for tryout evaluators for July HS tryout -advised Mark that we should have Sq Blue 1 (A) tryouts w/ all other squirt teams -ice for Gold tryouts needs to be cancelled -discussed tryouts and practice schedule w/ Tyler

-I need list of registered players for the tryouts sooner rather than later by position to divide into teams -Need board approval of paying Trevor to referee games like last year-I think we paid him \$25-30 per game (\$50 a night) to cover tryouts. This worked really well last season. Rosters will be posted 48hr after tryouts

Curriculum – 5 Mite ADM plans are already done for 30 practices. I wont include them in email. See attached descriptions for Mite/Squirt and PW/Bantam. See attached SFYHA drill book and ADM skill recommendations. Adam and I have discussed me doing the practice plans for the first month of the season for all travel teams Sq to Bantam. I will utilize USA Hockey recommendations (attached), the drill book, and other knowledge for these plans to be standardized. I will work on this over the next few months. The club purchasing some type of Drill Draw program would be helpful. That way I can use it to make the practice plans

Administration Report - Cherry Hunter Cherry is working on registration for the upcoming season. Talk on socks for the upcoming season as to whether SFYHA will be charging/providing them with registration fees. Sioux Falls will continue to charge for socks with registration fees. Adam and Cherry will work on socks.

Presidents Report – Adam Gorra

Adam Gorra went over USA Hockey's Club Excellence system. He encouraged the leadership to use it and all of its tools.

Web Master – Chico Marvici

Chico Marvici is our new web master. Chico has been working with SportsEngine on our web site and Dozark on Room Roster. Another topic brought up was how do we store our e-mail and long-term data? Cole is going to take the lead looking into this.

Old Business

None to report

New Business

None to report

Moved to Closed session at 7:45 pm. Adjourned at 9:30 pm.

NEXT MEETING July 11, 2018 at 6:30pm
5000 S Minnesota Ave 2nd floor Conference Room

Respectfully submitted,
Matt Carlson
SFYHA Board Secretary

Adopted June 15, 2018 by oral resolution at meeting / written correspondence
(date) (circle one)