

September Agenda

TUESDAY 10/3/2023 @ 7:30

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Mission: Woodstock Youth Hockey strives to promote the game of hockey and provide a welcoming environment to come together as a hockey community.

Vision: To create the best local hockey organization

Values: Sportsmanship, Teamwork, Fun, Community, Continuous Development, Welcoming to all Skaters

| Time | Agenda Item | Discussion/Decisions |
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| 7:30 | Welcome and Introductions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Welcome any new participants / members at large | No new participants. |
| 7:35 | Treasurer's Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Minimal activity during month of September <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ No bills; ongoing registration collection ○ Golf Tournament Proceeds received (~\$6,500) but not deposited | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Nothing new to report re bills and registrations. ● Check from golf tournament to come soon from Union. |
| 7:40 | Teams and Coaching <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 10U (14), 12U (13) Registration now remain on Waitlist (one on 12U, 10U added) ● 8U (16), House, Girls, LTP still open ● Report on 10/2 Coaches Meeting ● Vote on Head Coaches for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ LTP ○ 8U (Major / Minor) ○ 10U ○ 12U ● Discuss identifying parent reps | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Registration numbers may go up by 1 or 2 kids. ● The coaches' meeting on 10/2/23 was a success. ● 12U HEAD COACH: Kevin Hughes. ● 10U HEAD COACH: Jeremy Freyer. ● 8U HEAD COACH(S): Dave Matz and Gregory Hartford. ● LTP will have rotating coaches. <p>Trevor White may be a possibility for head coach.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Parent Reps to be discussed at next board meeting. ● Currently 5 girls are signed up. Those 5 girls, plus the girls on the coed teams, total of around 20 girls for Wednesdays. |

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| | | <p>A motion was made to change the referee fees. Fee change was unanimously voted in. New fees will be:</p> <p>\$66.00 for 12U game \$55.00 for 10U game \$35.00 for 8U game</p> |
| <p>8:00 - 8:40</p> | <p>AREAS of EMPHASIS for 2023/24 Season</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Receive feedback from working group chairs on initiatives for the season ● Communications (Nate): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Establish regular cadence for community-wide communications weekly ○ Archive communications themselves and content for use in future years ○ Help assemble and distribute NewLetters ○ Social Media / VT Standard? ● Community (Jess): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Emphasize parent meetings / icebreakers EARLY in the season ○ Nail Welcome Back Party ○ UPDATE BULLETIN BOARD! Maybe during the kick off party we can work on this? ○ Schedule Parent Rep Meeting (target free Hockey day?) ○ Food drive / community outreach ○ Play of the week program etc ● Growth (Dave) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mentor / mentee program with varsity players ○ Promote “House” as hockey for all ○ Outdoor nights at Vail ○ Nail Hockey for Free Day (11/4) | <p>Communications update:</p> <p>The goal is to establish a process that empowers members to share information.</p> <p>There will be a shared google doc that coaches and parent reps have access to, to provide team information and updates to the organization.</p> <p>The information needs to be entered on the google doc by Sunday night, so the email can go out on Monday nights.</p> <p>The communications team is aiming for one organizational email per week, with the understanding that some weeks may require more than one email and that there might not be a need for an email at all on other weeks.</p> <p>The communications team hopes to build a library of communications with a schedule to use as a template for the organization to use for years to come, essentially creating a repeatable process.</p> <p>Weekly updates such as upcoming games, player of the week and how games went will be shared via social media platforms and standard.</p> <p>Community Update:</p> <p>The goal is to create a more</p> |

inclusive environment between parents, players, coaches and even the Town of Woodstock.

A great way to do that is to create events where everyone gets to come together.

Some event ideas are:

- Informal parents' night at open skate.
- Cocktail night for parents.
- Movie night for players.
- Vail hockey nights with a fire, s'mores, and hot chocolate.
- 1 or 2 events per month that has WYH players and varsity hockey players come together.
- Set up a food drive at the rink to support the Woodstock Food Shelf.

The community team will update the bulletin board inside Union with current events and information.

The community team will take on the role of educating parent reps.

The community team will organize WYH/DARTMOUTH hockey games.

Growth Update:

The growth team has a goal to create a mentorship relationship between WYH players and varsity hockey players.

Ian Coates and John Chamberline are on board with the mentorship idea to have their seniors mentor WYH's 8th graders, their juniors mentor WYH's 7th graders, their sophomores mentor WYH's 6th graders, and their freshman mentor WYH's 5th graders.

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| 8:40 - 9:00 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Public Comments / Catchall | <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Have coaches pick a different captain and assistant captain each week to have players take on leadership roles.● Continue to promote the house league.● A motion was made and voted in to relaunch the house league as a \$200.00 program and reimburse the currently registered house league families the difference.● Keep promoting try hockey |

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| | | <p>for free on 11/4.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A motion was made and voted in to buy up to 7 new coach jackets for new WYH coaches if needed, and to buy the Swarm coach jackets. |
| 9:00 | Adjourn | |
| | | <p>To Do:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Save receipts and summarize Try Hockey for Free and other Growth initiatives for grant submission in November. |