

Sun Valley Youth Hockey Board Meeting
Hailey Ice Cafe – November 6, 2024



Board members present: Brooke McKenna, Kayla Nisson, Sam Herrick, Ryan Deal, John Kearney. Jeff, Jessica, Barton not present.

Others present: Sarah Benson, Scott Smith, Nancy Fenn

Call to Order: Brooke called the meeting to order at 6:04pm, quorum established.

Approval of October 2024 meeting minutes – Sam sought clarity on the % of sales for the raffle; discussion ensued and Nancy suggested that we put together some language from the board to update all team managers. Sam to provide language to Nancy. Minutes approved - John motioned, Sam seconded, all approved.

Discussion

Executive Director - Scott Smith

Bantam B does not have a full-time goalie. Team Manager and Coach have been trying hard to find someone. A goalie from Boise has said that he is willing to help with some of the tournaments but would need some financial assistance to make it happen. Brooke mentioned we have received donations dedicated to goalies in the program and suggested we consider approving up to a certain amount. Nancy suggests we just don't charge them a tournament fee.

Motion - Ryan made a motion to waive tournament fees for the unnamed goalie player and provide up to \$750 for tournament expenses if requested - John second, all approved.

Parent Code of Conduct may need to be updated. There was a parent altercation at a high school tournament last weekend which is inspiring this review. Nancy would like to link to the Codes of Conduct in the next newsletter. Scott will include a reference and link in his portion of the newsletter.

Jeff L. may be hindered in his ability to coach the JV team due to injury and he feels that his assistants can be on the ice in his stead while he coaches off ice. Jeff thinks he'll be back at full capacity at the end of December. Scott looking for some additional assistance. Jeff reached out to Chris Benson and Chris may be able to help during evening practice. TBD

Scott brought forward a request from Tiffany Orr to consider lowering her registration fees since her son is the third goalie. Discussion ensued and board members feel strongly that we can't set the precedent of setting fees based on ice time. Scott will get back to Tiffany and let her know the board will not lower her fees.

Registrar's Report – Nancy Fenn

Registration numbers are strong! We met our projections, largely thanks to the Bauer Program. If that ever stops, SVYH should consider carrying it forward. John has been leading the Bauer

Program for the past four years. Give Hockey a Try trial period ends this Friday. Nancy expects a few kids to continue past the trial period.

Nancy will send out a list of donor names with contact information for board members to call/send personal notes of thanks. Wreaths appear a little under last year's figures, so Nancy will be putting out a request to the hockey community via Wreath Captains to encourage people to donate cash if they sold less than \$500 worth of goods. Nancy will sell ads on our website: 3 ads @ \$500/ea to help raise \$1500. She also talked with Liberty Theatre about hosting a movie screening fundraiser. Kayla will follow up.

Nancy let us know there are 4 U12 girls who moved up to the U14 team and now owe an additional \$100 in tuition. Nancy was delayed in collecting due to injury. All board members supported Nancy in attempting to collect those additional payments.

We need to update the signers on all of our bank accounts with Mountain West Bank.

The following signers should be REMOVED for the following accounts:

Main Checking account: Jeffrey Lamoureux

Girls U19: Angela W Burrell

U14: Amanda J Deaver

Bantams: Catherine D Swink

Pee Wees: Amy N B McCabe

Squirts: Jessica J Pollock

High school/midgets: Wendy Hall Speth

Wm S Hunter Scholarship Fund: Heather Flood Daves

Mites: Oletha Henderson

The following signers should be ADDED or MAINTAINED for the following accounts:

Main Checking account: Barton Burdette, Brooke S McKenna, Nancy Weekes Fenn

Girls U19: Nancy Weekes Fenn

U14: Nancy Weekes Fenn

Bantams: Nancy Weekes Fenn

Pee Wees: Nancy Weekes Fenn

Squirts: Nancy Weekes Fenn

High school/midgets: Nancy Weekes Fenn

Wm S Hunter Scholarship Fund: Nancy Weekes Fenn, Brooke S McKenna

Mites: Nancy Weekes Fenn

Ross Thomson Memorial: Nancy Weekes Fenn, Brooke S McKenna

Motion -Sam made a motion to approve the above slate of account signers, John second - all approved.

Hailey Ice – Sarah Benson

The rink is bustling! Steelheads league game and girls' events coming up, along with more ISU games. Overspeed is hosting their Thanksgiving Camp again this year, but numbers are low. SVYH to put out a reminder about the camp through team managers. Sarah gave big kudos to Kayla for resurrecting the Caleb Cup. Hailey Ice donated back some of the ice time and Cathy Swink sponsored the drinks, so our organization should see better net income from the event - thanks! High School home tournament and Suns games are also around the corner in December, along with the women's showcase. Sarah to meet with HS players to mitigate potential shenanigans at the upcoming tournament.

Fundraising – Kayla Nisson

Caleb Cup was a success. Kayla learned a lot to help improve the event in the future. We only had 6 teams sign up in the end, so those teams played a lot of games! We raised in the neighborhood of \$5,000 gross. Sponsorships should be sought earlier in the year next time and we should consider a Thanksgiving or Christmas break date in the future to get more alumni players involved.

SVYH Treasurer's Report –

Review of the 2023-2024 990.

Motion -Sam made a motion to approve filing the 2023-2024 990 after one update to the Program Service Accomplishment language to read “for nearly 300 local youths”, Ryan second - all approved.

President's Report– Brooke McKenna

Review of 2024-2025 Season Board Calendar. Scholarship fund approval moved to October. End of season evals for players and coaches added to February. Remove the Wicked Spud event.

Guidebook edits are still outstanding. Hoping to have those approved at the December meeting. Brooke will bring draft Bylaw updates to the January meeting. Board members discussed coaches' contract language updates. John will get the final contract language to Scott for dissemination.

Meeting adjourned at 7:57pm. Ryan motioned, and Kayla seconded.

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday December 11, 2024, 6:00pm, Hailey Ice Cafe
Minutes submitted by Brooke McKenna, SVYH President, November 7, 2024