

March 7, 2023 Meeting Minutes

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

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Time	Agenda Item	Discussion/Decisions
7:00	Welcome and Introductions	
7:05	Treasurer's Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Questions • Varsity \$\$ • Ice planning for next year: <i>start a week later, end friday 4:20 sheet when skirunners begins, more game time (15 minutes)</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jeremy provided verbal Treasurer's report. • Varsity ice is covered by their fundraising with some surplus from fundraising to start next season. Discussion around boys/girls fundraisers and \$5K to Varsity for help with LTP. Discussion re: separating WYH from Varsity funds. • Ice planning discussion around when to start the season. • Need longer game slots next season. • Don't purchase Friday ice sheet during ski runners.
7:10	Teams and Coaching <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Registrar's report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Board membership • Team Reports & 23/24 Projections <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ LTP ◦ 8U ◦ 10U ◦ 12U ◦ 14U 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LTP has wrapped up. • 8U has mostly wrapped up. • 10 State tournament went well, great sportsmanship although they didn't win. • 10U Troy tournament with some 8Us was fun. • 12Us had a great time at the state tournament although they didn't win. • 10Us and 12Us are looking forward to POG. • 14U skate didn't happen due to weather last weekend.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 14U Storm/Woodstock placements are in early April. Updates to go on website/Facebook, email to 2009 and 2010 birth years, and Newsletter topic. • Review of topic re: 14U Storm/Woodstock collaboration re: 8th grade girls; Woodstock Varsity coach generally prefers and think it's better for 8th grade girls to play on 14U team. General discussion around pros/cons of double rostering and play-up requests to 14U. <p><u>'23&'24 Projections</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8U: ~18-19 skaters; likely a young/less committed group, 1 weekend game and 2 practices will be enough. Brief discussion around several returning 8Us who may want to play up to 10U or double roster with 8U/10U. Further discussion needed. • 10U: ~20 skaters (without 2 x 8U play ups); possibly enough for 2 small teams; likely ~4 coaches • 12U: ~19 skaters; possibly enough for 2 small teams; 8 coaches • Discussion around timing for play ups and final play up decisions being made by VSAHA. • Need for deeper discussion around 10U / 12U numbers and goal of two teams (Plan A) at each level vs. one (Plan B); won't know for certain until registrations are complete (Newsletter topic). • Discussion around opening registration on 5/1 with initial down payment of \$50 then spread out the remaining payments as much as possible.
7:30	<p>Regionals</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Schedule attached below • Signup genius is out 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final email to membership on 3/8 for volunteer help, link to SignUp Genius.

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7:40	<p>Pot of Gold Planning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sign Up Communication • Decision needed: one paid student per rink • Plan for puck shooting radar event?? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email for POG SignUp Genius went out on 3/6. • Puck shooting/radar gun station may happen on Saturday 3/18 if Dave M. runs it. (\$5/3 pucks) • Pay 1 student per rink(w familiarity w clock/music/scoresheet) for Friday evening, Saturday morning, Saturday afternoon/evening, Sunday morning. Jess to communicate to Varsity teams to find out who is interested. • Raffle basket discussion.
8:10	<p>Bylaws</p> <p>https://cdn1.sportngin.com/attachments/document/e735-2072525/bylaws_revised_5.21.pdf?_gl=1*32t2o6*_ga*MTY0NjgyMDQ4Ny4xNjY1NTIxNDQ1*_ga_PQ25JN9PJ8*MTY3Nzc1ODY0NC4xOS4xLjE2Nzc3NTg2NTAuMC4wLjA.#_ga=2.88756379.1495553873.1677758645-1646820887.1665521485</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Changes need to be posted on month in advance • Suggest officer terms to be two years that alternate • How does StormStock fit in 	<p>Discussion around whether by-laws need to be edited:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Related to 14U StormStock and WYH membership dependent on having a player registered/operated under WYH. • Related to shifting officer positions on 2-year alternating positions. <p>Jess to suggest dates/times for mtg related to editing bylaws.</p>
8:25	<p>Fee Structure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alignment with Storm for ease of 14U • Comparison to other organizations • Define work group <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Define what the fee includes (how many practices, games, tournaments) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewed season fees in comparison to other organizations. Discussion related to setting fees next season and making sure ice time is commensurate, need to define what is included in set registration fee. • Coaches should discuss how much ice time, # and duration of weekly practices, # games, etc... (Kevin commented that 20 x 12U games '21/'22 season was not enough; 31-ish x 12U games during '22/'23 season was a good number.) • WYH handbook has guidelines, these may need revisions.

9:00	Next Month: Fee Structure By Laws Changes	When hockey season is over, WYH plans to go to hybrid meetings. We'll need to find a regular space that works for a hybrid setup. 8:55 pm Meeting adjourned.
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