

Sioux Falls Youth Hockey Association

Board of Directors Meeting

September 4, 2019

6:30-pm

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 Aaron Debates (V.P.), Ed Davis (Secretary), Lindsay Erickson (Treasurer), Andy DeMore (Development Director), Mark Bukovich (Travel League Director), Chad Dykstra (Member at Large), Brian Dozark (Tournament Director) and Dave Carlson (City League Director). A quorum was present. Cherry Hunter (Executive Assistant), Dan Houck (Director of Hockey) and Penny Malwitz (High School League Manager) were also in attendance.

Open Forum – Brandon Wildung was introduced as possible Goalie Skills Coach for the Flyers. Brandon presented his hockey background and noted he started helping coach at age 15-16. He has a long list of past playing experience - D1 school, professionally for ECHL and is currently serving as a Sioux Falls POWER coach.

Treasurers Report – Lindsay Erickson – Board members reviewed financials presented and noted most transactions are normal for this time of year. Discussion was held regarding possible switch to a different bank. Board members determined SFYHA will continue with First Premier. CD's are currently housed with Great Western. Funding for the CD's was accrued via discontinued sign sales at MIRC.

Director of Hockey – Dan Houck

- finalized and adjusted practice schedule with Mark B.
- met w/ Adam and Kyle Knudson regarding his expectations for the season
- met w/ Brandon Wildung potential goalie coach
- worked on coaching budget w/ Adam
- conducted HS Head Coaches pre-season meeting with Connor, Ben, Brian, and Curtis
- met w/ possible coaches regarding high school and bantam coaching vacancies
- finalized dates for On-Ice Coaches Clinic and Pre-Season Meeting at Sanford-Oct 22
- decided Varsity and JV Boy are not going to Omaha Pre-Season tourney. Fremont, NE will come here Oct 5/6 for games.
- working on evaluators for HS tryouts
- secured Trevor Preston to referee HS Tryouts
- created a schedule for all 6 squirt travel teams for half-ice games and season practice schedule
 - All Squirt travel teams will be mixed to create 8 similar skilled in-house teams
 - Includes the Squirt Girls 10U team
 - Tuesday night half ice games will be scheduled
 - Four in-house teams will be scheduled for half ice games each week at 6:45pm and 7:45pm on Tuesdays
 - Players not on the Tuesday game rotation will have ice time at 5:45pm on Tuesdays
 - Squirt travel teams will have additional ice with change to in-house teams & games
- ICL will not include Squirt travel players. The ICL game time will be Tuesdays from 4:30-6:30pm
- established dates for Mite goalie clinics on Fridays from Nov-March

Executive Assistant Report – Cherry Hunter

- ✓ Registration to date
 - Mini-Atoms - 24
 - Atom Short Session – 3
 - Atoms – 46
 - Mite City – 43
 - Mite Travel – 44
 - Squirt Travel – 66 (4 goalies) Cherry & Dan will check on options for players noting “undecided”

- Squirt Girls Only – 12 (2 goalies)
- PeeWee Travel – 77 (8 goalies)
- ICL – 15 (5 new)
- ACL – 19 (5 new)
- Bantam Travel – 54 (5 goalies)
- Lady Flyers 14U – 15 (3 goalies)
- Lady Flyers JV/Var – 18 (2 goalies)
- High School Travel – 65 (6 goalies)
- 501 registered to date (27 more than last year on same date)
- Request was made to delete cost of game socks for goalies on the 2020-2021 registration
- ✓ Fall Kick-Off on Sunday from 2:00-4:00pm – Board members attending are DeBates, Davis, Carlson, DeMore, Dykstra.
- ✓ Hockey Happenings & Eblast – sent to all currently registered as well as those not yet registered from last season
- ✓ Let's Try Hockey promos ready for Sunday. Promo flyer to non-Sioux Falls Schools delivered next Monday/Tuesday. Harrisburg cost to post online – need to purchase credits thru PeachTree. Board members approved the \$150 expenditure.
- ✓ USA Hockey Code of Conduct will be copied to the back side of SFYHA Substance Abuse Policy.
- ✓ SFYHA Capital Expenditures – to be considered for possible sponsorships. Members noted no game related sponsors.
 - Pucks – 400 pucks per season at \$1.15 each = \$460
 - Practice Jerseys – currently purchased per Culligan sponsorship
 - City League Jerseys – 350 jerseys x \$17 each = \$6000
 - Goal Nets – Currently do not have a need for additional nets
 - Travel Coaches Coats as needed - \$2000
 - Water bottle racks & water bottles - \$40 each. SFYHA does not typically provide but receive 3-4 requests each season.
 - EOY trophies and player gifts - \$4500 is a Hockey Booster expense
 - Last day practice donuts or pizza for Atoms, Mites, ICL - approx. \$175 each
 - 3 V 3 Spring Jerseys – 140 x \$17 = \$2400
 - Print program for Varsity Tournament
 - Expenses paid by players per their fees
 - Sock expense - \$7000
 - Tournament registration fees - \$65,000
 - Bussing cost - \$25,000

Presidents Report- Adam Gorra

- ✓ Fall SDAHA Meeting will be September 21 in Watertown. Mark Bukovich will serve as SFYHA Voting Delegate in Adam's absence.
- ✓ Yankton girls were approved to play down at the JV level
- ✓ Yankton requesting Bantam team to play down. All agreed
- ✓ Secured bid for rental gear - \$3400. Ryan Webb is working on adjustment for gear needs.

Old Business:

- *SFYHA Player / Parent Handbook* – plan is to present copy for approval prior to the September 23 Fall Parent Meeting. Currently waiting on publication of USA Hockey Annual Guide 2019-2020.
- *Discipline & Grievance Process* – Lindsay Erickson made a motion to approve the Discipline/Grievance Committee & Process as well as the flow chart. Motion seconded and carried. Board members reviewed the Grievance Form and adopted changes to verbiage. Request for three individual Discipline/Grievance committee members will be included in an association eblast. Nominations will be considered by the Board of Directors for appointment to the committee.
- *Goalie Development Program* – currently \$5000 budgeted for goalie development instruction.
- *Referee Mentor Applications* – Two applications have been received. Deadline for application for the position is September 15 with board approval & appointment at the October meeting.

