



GVAHA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

December 13, 2022

7:00 pm

Facilitated by: President of the Board, Andy Barnes

AGENDA

Call to order by: Andy Barnes **at 7:11pm**

Attendance: Kelli Sterley, Andrew Barnes, Jack Williams, Audra Atkinson, Dave Atkinson, Jenn Beverwyk, Ciji Marckini, Joel Breazeale, Deborah Hart (visitor), Nick Marckini (visitor)

Absent: Brandon Gorby, Karen Sobeck

Welcome-

Introduction of visitors & discussion:

Public comments:

Nick shared feedback about Select Tournaments that were this past weekend. A weekend recap was sent to parents and feedback was asked. A few parents have responded positively with feedback. Atmosphere on the bench and locker room was fantastic. Players faced new opponents and faced challenges. Players took on new leadership roles. Great skill development for a short weekend of play.

GVAHA Staff reports:

- **Hockey Director** – Joel
 - Dave and Joel are working on talking with ADRAV about doing Tiered levels for league play.
 - There are a lot of Cross-ice and Mite players. Need to get creative with scheduling the ice. Need more coaches. Too many players at each station.
 - Starting with the new year we will have one group attend Tuesday and one group attend Thursday.
 - Girls hockey – December 6 – had an informational meeting with parents of daughters

- Potential for an all girls Mites team
- Potential for a girls team at the Squirt level (at the Select level)
- **Hockey Director** – Jack

President Report – Andy Barnes

- Revising by-laws - will have at next meeting and ready for a vote in February
- Discussed a discipline issue

Vice President Report – Jennifer Beverwyk

- Conversation with Mike H. about banners and where to hang them
- Cross-ice jamboree with 10 teams went really well; I received a lot of positive feedback

Secretary Report – Audra Atkinson

- Approval of previous month meeting [minutes](#)
- *Motion to approve made by Andy; Second by Ciji; Approved.*
- Merchandising and Equipment Report - will get a date for apparel delivery soon

Team Director & MAHA Representative Report – Dave Atkinson

- Working on finishing jackets order
- Will send an email about reimbursements for coaching classes
- MAHA book checks - January 17
- Will start conversations to determine travel coaches
- Spring Hockey - House level - will look at identifying spring training

Manager Director Report – Karen Sobeck

- 2 players from Grand Rapids Griffins are coming to mites/cross ice practice at 5:45pm December 13. They will be coming to other team practices as well in January

Treasurer Report – Phil Malnar

- Monthly Report
- 2022-23 Budget

Communications & Events Director Report – Ciji Marckini

- Meet the Stars games have been happening
- Hockey Fights Cancer Weekend
- Shields of Hope
- Purple jerseys - names on the back will be supportive of a person fighting cancer - managers will gather orders
- Motion was made to charge a minimum of \$40 for each jersey
- Shields of Hope participates in Project Night Light in January
- Howies Hockey will donate 50 rolls of purple tape to share with each team; they will also create swag bags for the Shields of Hope families
- Cross-Ice and Mites - purple Tim Bits jersey - will check to see if this is an option

Fundraising Director Report – Kelli Sterley

- \$23.94 was earned with Smile.Amazon.com (be sure to add the click logo in our blasts)
- Hat Trick Raffle - email sent to managers about collecting tickets.

All ticket stubs are due Dec 22.

Sponsorship Director Report – Brandon Gorby

- Thank you emails have been sent out to all sponsors
- Tax Letters have been sent out to all sponsors
- GRBS, Inc - Confirm if payment has been received ?
- Spoke with them last week and they had an issue with correspondence going into SPAM. As a result, they were not receiving our communication.
- Sponsor Banner has been received and hung above the STARS room
- Is anyone aware of a donation/sponsorship from Fabcon Companies, LLC?
- We received a check for \$250.00 but I have no other communication/information from them

Additional business in preparation for next meeting:

Next Board meeting January 17 @7pm

Meeting Adjourned by: Andy; Second from Dave; Approved **at 8:36pm**