

KENSINGTON VALLEY HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

MONDAY, JANUARY 16TH, 2023

Travel Director Clement called the meeting to order at 7:37 PM. Minutes recorded by Secretary Galloway.

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Travel Director Clement, Secretary Galloway, Girls Director Wainwright, House Director McFall, Social Media Manager Michalak

ABSENT: President Popma, Rink Appointee Sokol, Treasurer Ozanich

STAFF: Office Manager Christ

MEMBERSHIP/GUEST: N/A

OPEN CALL: Limit to 5 minutes per person, no discussion (for timeline sake)

MINUTES: Review November minutes. **Motion to approve October minutes made by Girls Director Wainwright, 2nd by House Director McFall, YES votes from All, NO votes from none: PASSED.**

FINANCE/BUDGET: Treasurer Ozanich reported balance within expected range. Expense credit card purchase update. Michelle's debit card hacked again, turned back in

TEAM FINANCIALS: Treasurer Ozanich reported no late payments. Mid-Season budgets due January 9.

COMMITTEE UPDATES:

- Jerseys – President Popma had nothing to report.
- Discipline – President Popma reported receiving Game Misconduct reports for **19U Ravens coach** for Persisting after Misconduct, **two Squirt Generals coaches** for Persisting in Unsportsmanlike Conduct, **2008 Renegades coach** for Persisting in Unsportsmanlike Conduct, 2008 Renegades player for Fighting, 2008 Renegades player for Fighting, **Bantam Destroyers player** for 4 penalties in a game, **Bantam Destroyers player** for Obscene Language. Match penalty reports for **19U Ravens Coach** for Conducts Detrimental to Hockey (for failing to leave bench after accessed Game Misconduct- received 3 game suspension), **2009 Rebels player** for Kicking (received 3 game suspension), **Bantam Destroyers player** for Abuse of Official (received 3 game suspension). SafeSport investigation on **14U Ravens coach** (from player locker room phone violations) resulted in a 1 week suspension. Summary Suspension issued to **2011 Renegades/2009 Raiders Assistant Coach** related to a SafeSport investigation. Refer to new items in regard to **2008 Renegades** discipline hearings and suspensions.
- IT/Communications – Social Media Manager Michalak had nothing to report.
- Election – Office Manager Christ had nothing to report.
- Finance –Treasurer Ozanich was not present to report

- Coaching Selection – House Director McFall, Travel Director Clement, and Girls Director Wainwright had nothing to report. Travel Director Clement has talked to 2 of the boys travel coaches that have submitted applications.
- Charity Event – Committee temporarily inactive.
- House Evaluation/Draft – House Director McFall had nothing to report.
- Arena/Ice Conditions – Rink Appointee Sokol was not present to report.
- Ice Scheduling – Rink Appointee Sokol was not present to report.
- Alumni – President Popma was not present to report.
- Grow the Game – House Director McFall had nothing to report.
- House Development: House Director McFall had nothing to report.

DIVISION UPDATES:

- Learn to Play: Holiday skate held December 29
- Mini-Mite/Mite: Holiday Jamboree held December 11 & 18
- House: Proposal for new structure based on skill level
- Travel: 18U Rebels requested player release due to discipline issues, also had an assistant coach resign. Two parents stepped up and helped and everything is going well
- Girls: N/A

TRAINING/SKILLS:

- Bandits Goalie Training: House training held January 16, 2023.
- Try Hockey for Free event held January 7, 2023. _12_ participants.
- Consider purchasing Vaughn Quick-change goalie sets for 8U division. **Motion made to purchase three Vaughn Quick-change goalie sets at \$299 per set.**
****Previous motion carries over for this purchase. 6 approved but only 3 purchased previously.
- Consider working with Perfect Edge to offer Hockey Starter Equipment sets at a price of \$285. Discuss need to have any sets on hand versus loaner equipment.

MAHA / USA HOCKEY:

- MAHA D4 credentialing held January 2-3, 2023.
- MAHA Winter Meeting to be held January 20-22 in Livonia.
- Kensington Valley will host Round 2 Districts for Squirt B teams.
- MAHA D4 Hockey Day is scheduled for February 11-12 in West Bloomfield.
- Kensington Valley will host 2009 birth year for D4 Non-Qualifying Tournament on March 11-12, 2023.

PAST BUSINESS:

- Student coaching training scheduled for January 7, 2023 had to be rescheduled due to party room availability and high school hockey game.
- Players skating while Zamboni on ice and/or not leaving ice quickly at the end of their practices. No known issues since
- Player of the Week program. On hold

- Hat trick, playmaker, shootout pins, social media program. On hold
- Hockey director position. Aiming for March interviews
- Game puck test project feedback. Logos seem to last 2 games, pucks remain in good condition longer. No holding up to wear and tear
- Disruptive mite player / house coach ability to remove players.
- Ice contract

NEW BUSINESS:

- Mite select team “borrowing” players.
- House budget review and fee structure.
- Hockey Equipment donation / swap event.
- Discipline Zoom call held on December 5th regarding three teams with Game Misconduct / Match penalty issues.
- District / State Tournament reimbursement. We will wait to see how many advance
- Discipline hearing held on December 30, 2022 regarding two 2008 Renegades players and 2008 Renegades Head Coach violation of team probation. One player received three game suspension for a dangerous cross check to an unsuspecting player outside of game play. Head Coach suspended for 30 days due to ongoing team problems and altercation with opposing fans after being ejected from game. KVHA instructed head coach he will not return next season.
- Consider policy to notify teams of coach suspensions or probation through hearings of Match penalties. Pat will draft letter.
- Team game count exceptions for Squirt Generals and Squirt Eagles, and two player game count exceptions for 2013 Renegades submitted to MAHA D4 and forwarded to MAHA State Playoff Committee.
- 2009 Rebels defeated 2009 Renegades to advance to MAHA Districts as 2nd KV representative.
- **Parent of 14U Ravens player passed away unexpectedly. Motion to pay \$1490 to team to cover remainder of season for player made by Travel Director Clement, 2nd by Girls Director Wainwright, YES votes from all, NO votes from none, PASSED.**
- Create event with Windsor (ON) Hockey Association to play annual games with their association alternating home/away each year.
- Email request to families seeking broken sticks to build additional training bridges.
- House team, structure.
- Consider purchase of \$500 locking storage shed for use in Hartland.

REQUESTS:

- 3rd hand complaint regarding Mite Select parent reference inappropriate behavior in Novi restroom. **No additional details, and no confirmation of parent being affiliated with team, information forwarded to coach.**
- Several complaints from Lansing families regarding 2008 Renegades coach behavior and altercation after being removed from game. **Referred to Discipline Committee (see above).**
- Complaint from Great Lakes Officials regarding numerous officials refusing to work 18U Rebels games due to coach behavior. **Referred to Discipline Committee with team placed on probation with zero tolerance for abuse of officials.**

- Complaint from Great Lakes Officials regarding 18U Rebels player who shot puck into face of official causing serious injury. **Unable to determine intent.**
- Request from Squirt Generals coaches to dispute Game Misconduct penalties and request video review for non-call.
- Request from 2008 Raiders to avoid game with Belle Tire due to past issues between teams. **Email sent to Belle Tire President to request experienced officials and prepare for any continued issues.**
- Request from 2008 Raiders to follow up on Belle Tire team falsely accusing additional teams of racial slurs to create penalties/ejections. **Directed to SafeSport.**
- Request from 2008 Raiders to remove probation status from player who previously received match penalty. **Forward to MAHA legal as lawsuit was discussed.**
- Request from 19U Ravens to have official assignment changed due to previous comments regarding payment and previous match penalty. **Forwarded to Great Lakes Officials.**
- Request from Lansing to place Squirt house player. **Denied as teams full.**
- Request from 2010 Renegades to have game played under protest due to ice conditions of Lakeland gray rink. **Information forwarded to MAHA D4 along with replies from officials and rink management.**
- Request from 18U Rebels for a player to “play-down” next season for another year of 18U Midget. **Denied per MAHA rules.**
- Complaint from two Farmington Hills family members regarding Bantam Destroyer parent/player/coach language and behavior. This was a district game. Review of Live Barn and the video submitted by the team did not corroborate the allegations. **Responses to both complaints via email and reminder about conduct was discussed with the head coach of the team**
- Complaint of altercation between Bantam Destroyer and Brighton Ice parents in stands during Bantam Destroyer practice. KVHA Parent did not pursue. **Referred to KVIH since it was a Brighton Ice parent involved.**

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 9:39 PM

Updated 1/14/23.