

KENSINGTON VALLEY HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

MONDAY April 15, 2024

President Clement called the meeting to order at 7:34 PM. Minutes recorded by Secretary Galloway.

DIRECTORS PRESENT: President Clement, Travel Director Vedder, Secretary Galloway, Girls Director Wainwright, House Director McFall, Treasurer Dougherty, Member and Social Media Manager Michalak, Learn to Play Director Whitbeck

ABSENT: _____

STAFF: Office Manager Christ

MEMBERSHIP/GUEST: Bob Hamel

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

MINUTES: Review March minutes. **Motion to approve March minutes made by President Clement, 2nd by House Director McFall, YES votes from All, NO votes from None: PASSED.**

FINANCE/BUDGET: **Treasurer** Dougherty reported balance within expected range. Expense credit card purchase update.

TEAM FINANCIALS: Treasurer Dougherty reported 0 late payments. Final budgets due. Some still outstanding. Some still need to close accounts. Some teams need to add a second signor that is not a spouse.

COMMITTEE UPDATES:

- **Jerseys** – House jersey redesign for 2024-2025 season. Travel Alternate Jersey number outline? Must come up with a proposal for house jerseys. Can keep same names and colors or change to Black Bear. Ask Perfect Edge to mock up white outline on travel alternate jersey numbers and name.
- **Discipline:**
- **IT/Communications** – **Social Media Manager Michalak reported** for KVHA, social media numbers tripled from last year. Will continue fun fact Friday through the summer.
- **Election** – **Office Manager Christ:**
 - Vote totals from election: Galloway (86); McFall (83); Michalak (79); Popma (79); Bowers (32); Hamel (29)
 - Elected to BOD: Josh Galloway, Patrick McFall, Caryn Michalak – Due to a tie between Caryn Michalak and John Popma, John made the decision to step aside due to his role as MAHA D4 Chair and will retain an advisory role with KVHA as appointed by the KVHA Board of Directors

- Positions 2024-2025
 - President: Brian Clement
 - Vice President/Secretary: Josh Galloway
 - Travel Director: Chris Vedder
 - Girls Director: Michael Wainwright
 - House Director: Patrick McFall
 - Treasurer: Kristyn Dougherty
 - Social Media Manager – Caryn Michalak
 - Special Appointee(s): Vote Required
 - Member: John Popma
 - Motion to add John Popma as appointed board member under advisory capacity with MAHA made by House Director McFall, 2nd by Girls Director Wainwright, YES votes from All, NO votes from None: PASSED.**
 - Member: Kristyn Dougherty
 - Rink Appointee(s): No Vote Required
 - Member: Bob Mainhardt
 - Member: Scott McNeil
 - Rink Appointee Bob Mainhardt and Rink Appointee Scott McNeil will be added to the board per the bylaws.
- Finance – **Treasurer Dougherty**: Signature changes for Main and Expense accounts. Add Josh Galloway and remove John Popma as signor.
- Coaching Selection –
 - **House Director McFall**: nothing to report, first skate is tomorrow. All spring coaches are returning in the fall.
 - **Travel Director Vedder**: 16u team tryouts for spring and fall
 - **Girls Director Wainwright**: tier 3 10/12 – 12 girls, 14u t3 has 12 girls, 8u will keep building until there are enough girls. Looking for new ways to market 8u girls
- Charity Event – Committee temporarily inactive.
- House Evaluation/Draft – **House Director McFall**- nothing to report.
- Grow the Game – **House Director McFall** - nothing to report.
- House Development: - nothing to report.
- Arena/Ice Conditions - nothing to report.
- Ice Scheduling – Most teams got the ice they wanted. Bob is starting to map out fall ice this week. Ask Bob to appoint a scheduler. Schedule a meeting with Black Bear for May or June to go over Scheduling/Rates.
- Alumni – **Advisor Popma** - nothing to report

DIVISION UPDATES:

- Learn to Play: We are running low on blue pucks, little nets have been moved.
- Mini-Mite/Mite:
- House:
- Travel: Tryout dates posted for teams.
- Girls: Tryout dates posted for teams.

TRAINING/SKILLS:

- Miller Hockey Camp June 17-20
- Made in Michigan Summer Camp

MAHA / USA HOCKEY:

- MAHA 2023 summer meeting minutes recently posted
- USA Hockey announced neck laceration protectors will be required for all youth players beginning 08/01/2024.
- MAHA 2023 Presidents Meeting 2023-2024 Focus Points
 - Areas of importance and opportunity for KVHA
 - Association of the Year contest: Points for obtaining membership growth, Points of other initiatives they will provide growth, Awards \$7,500 for 1st place, \$5,000 for 2nd place, \$2,500 for 3rd place.
 - As of 11/19 KVHA is in 9th place with 328 points (leader has 467 points)

PAST BUSINESS:

- Hockey Challenge Camp – Sarah Dunkel-Jackson
- Jersey vendor review for 2024-2025 season – RFPs went out
- Kensington Valley Ice House name change to Biggby Ice Cube Brighton
- House jerseys to be rebranded?
- Complaint against 2015 Renegades for Facebook post referencing team as T1. Corrected. Misunderstanding of T1 v T2 by the individual who posted it.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Vote: KVHA contribute \$500 to each Boys Travel team who advanced to the MAHA State Tournament and \$500 to the Ravens 19U team who advanced to the National Tournament.
Motion to approve \$2500 in reimbursements for State and National tournaments made by House Director McFall, 2nd by Girls Director Wainwright, YES votes from All, NO votes from None: PASSED.
- Special recognition to the 19U Ravens for being a Finalist in the USA Hockey National Tournament
- Budget requests for the 2024-2025 season – please submit no later than May 13
- Locker Room concern involving 10U Ravens

- Trophy case moving to new area in the rink?
- State/District trophies – Some rinks have one trophy for Districts and one for States per division. Teams are added following winning their District or State each season. This is for consideration
- Consideration for incorporating area nonprofit partnerships into KVHA
- MAHA Hockey Day – still waiting on payment for ice KVHA purchased
- Block grant is still outstanding
- Jersey and Sock vendor review: KVHA received three proposals for jerseys as follows:
 - Perfect Edge
 - Hystyx
 - Soar Sports Apparel
- Consideration of setting a Monthly hearing/grievance/mediation date - if we have nothing, we do not meet. Need 3 people at all times. People will be able to file their request online, we have to get back to using the procedures we have in place to hopefully help people resolve their issues....<https://kvhockey.org/grievances/>
- Consideration of structuring the Board of Directors as follows:
 - Executive Board: President, VP, Treasurer, Travel Director, Girls Director, House Director who handles Pee Wee and Bantam
 - Management Committee: LTP Director, Mini Mite Director, Mite Director, Squirt Director, Event Planner, Social Media, Rink Appointee

REQUESTS:

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 9:06 PM.

Updated 4/15/24.