

# KENSINGTON VALLEY HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

**Monday March 17, 2025**

Meeting called to order at 7:35 PM. Minutes recorded by Michelle Christ.

**DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Via Zoom: Secretary/VP Galloway, Girls Director Wainwright, Travel Director Vedder, Social Media Manager Michalak

**ABSENT:** President Clement, House Director McFall, Treasurer Dougherty, Appointee McNeil, Appointee Mainhardt, Appointee Popma

**STAFF:** Office Manager Christ (in-person); LTP Director Whitbeck (zoom); Safety Advocate Bob Hamel (in person)

**MEMBERSHIP/GUEST:** None

**OPEN CALL:** None

**MINUTES:** Review February minutes. **Motion to approve February minutes made by Michael Wainwright 2<sup>nd</sup> by Caryn Michalak YES votes 4 NO votes 0 motion passes.**

**FINANCE/BUDGET:** Treasurer Dougherty not present to report.

**TEAM FINANCIALS:** March Ice invoice transfers were processed 3-11-2025. Kristyn will work to close old accounts and teams who are not returning and open new accounts for those we added.

### **COMMITTEE UPDATES:**

- Jerseys: House Director McFall to discuss 2025 jersey designs
- Discipline: Awaiting hearing decision from MAHA on 2011 Renegades; 10u Brigade and 12u Eagles decision sent to parties
- IT/Communications – Social Media Manager Michalak:
- Election – Office Manager Christ: To date 5 applications have been received for 2025-2027 terms. One application was withdrawn, leaving 4 applicants. Board elections will commence March 24 with voting from March 24 through April 7 Annual Board-Meeting postponed until April 21; President Clement is not seeking re-election. Chris Vedder and Michael Wainwright are seeking/not seeking re-election; Patrick McFall is stepping down leaving a vacation one-year term.
- Finance –Treasurer Dougherty: see above
- Coaching Selection –
  - House: Returning coaches for the Spring, no need for selections
  - Travel: Adding 16u Rebels team, head coach Dominic Mackson; Tryouts will be held in May
  - Girls: Request for new 14u Ravens Tier 2 Gary Bolton; approved, will see how tryouts go. We have 32 14u aged players in house which is enough for two teams.
- Charity Event – Committee temporarily inactive.
- House Evaluation/Draft – Not active until August
- Grow the Game – House Director McFall – Approval received to purchase a new set of pads will be purchased this week. Learn the Game and Learn to Play will continue as is through KVHA for the time being. Learn to Skate will continue with Harmony Skating.
- House Development: Nothing to report
- Arena/Ice Conditions – Not present to report
- Ice Scheduling – Spring is almost final; will begin working on finalizing. Fall once the high school schedules are received

- Alumni – Appointee Popma: New submissions to the Alumni Carter Korpi Union College; Cameron Korpi U of M

#### DIVISION UPDATES:

- Learn to Play: New session begins April 12; 45 registered
- Learn the Game: New Session begins April 12; 8 registered, we moved 7 kids from Learn to Play to this program for more proper development by age
- Mini-Mite/Mite: Spring evals begin April 6 ; 84 players – sold out 6 teams
- House: Spring 10u and older begins March 31 with evaluation skates ; Two Squirt teams (28 players registered to date); Two 12u teams (23 players registered to date) ; One 14u Team (18 players registered to date)
- Travel: Tryouts ongoing
- Girls: 16u and 19u Ravens received large bids for 2025 Nationals; As in years past, consider \$500 per team as a KVHA Contribution. **Motion to approve a \$500 KVHA contribution to each team for Nationals expenses made Michael Wainwright, seconded by Josh Galloway** YES votes 4 NO votes 0 motion passes.

#### TRAINING/SKILLS:

- House goalie training: Spring and summer sessions pending with Jimmy Blanchard

#### MAHA / USA HOCKEY:

- 8u Hockey Plus Program launch; 8u Rebels participated in EoS MAHA Plus tournament; Great experience, good benefit for the players

#### PAST BUSINESS:

- KVHA Intern Application – On hold pending several items
- AAA Biggby teams skating out of Brighton for the 2025 season
- Discussion of committees – Caryn Michalik
- White boards for meeting room and board room (approved a \$1,000 budget allowance)
- 10U Brigade - multiple issues surrounding one family, addressed in disciplinary section
- 2015 Renegades; multiple complaints and allegations continue to come in related to head coach

#### NEW BUSINESS:

- 14U Admirals attended 14u MAHA State Tournament in Iron Mountain; Complaint from Escanaba parent alleging foul language and hand gestures by 14u Admirals head coach with law enforcement called but no ejection from the game, no game misconduct or match penalties assessed by the officials, no report from MAHA
- Ice contract received from Blackbear Sports Group LLC
  - Proposed ice rate is \$375/hour for the 2025-2026 season
  - Discuss review with legal counsel and USA Hockey
  - Determine appropriate counter proposal

#### REQUESTS:

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM

Updated 4/21/2025.