

LYHO Meeting Minutes

October 2024

Those in attendance: Dan, Julie, Cammi, Rob, Kendra, Vanessa, Shawn and Felecia.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Minutes Approved

TREASURER'S REPORT – Report approved.

BUSINESS

Coach's Update:

MAHA

- No word on our affiliate application status yet, vote should have been this weekend. I expect we will be accepted.
- We will need a registrar for the season – I can probably do it

Dates and Decisions

- November 16th in Billings
 - Two games – Do we cut off at 20 players and let them play both games?
 - ♣ **Board decided to split into two teams if more than 20 players register, this will be made clear when inviting players.**
- Kalispell 12u/14u (2010-2013) non-checking January 17-19
 - House and B level tournament
 - Outdoors – could give us a good idea of how to run potential tournaments in Lewistown.
 - Competition will probably be good – discussion on how to invite players (18u only? Everyone in that age?)
 - ♣ **Board decided we will try to go to this tournament, waiting until after registration when rosters are completed to determine if we should open it to more than 18u players.**
- Lewistown Jamborees
 - Currently set as Jan 18-19 for 18u, Jan 25-26 for 14u, Feb 1-2 for 8u
 - 18u conflicts with Kalispell
 - Can we do 18u and 14u on the same weekends Jan 25-26
 - ♣ Not many 18u teams anyway, if weather is good we should be able to fit everything in
 - 8u Feb 1-2 conflicts with the Helena State tournament but Feb 8-9 conflicts with Philipsburg so there isn't a great time to do it.
 - ♣ **Board decided to move 18u to Jan 25-26 and do both 18u and 14u jamborees on that weekend. 8u weekend stays Feb 1-2.**
- Philipsburg Feb 8-9
 - We can bring more than one team per age group if we have the numbers
 - 18u on the 8th, 14u on the 9th
- Helena House Tournament
 - Trying to secure ice for both an 18u and 14u tournament
 - Same with Philipsburg, we can send multiple teams in each age group if we have the numbers

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- o Possible dates Feb 28-Mar 2, March 7-9, March 21-23
- Glasgow 6u/8u
 - o Set for 1/18
 - ♣ **Board decided we will try and get a team for Glasgow, still waiting on confirmation of dates**
- Can probably get Billings 12u and maybe Great Falls 12u to come for a weekend in December. Should we book ice Saturday the 14th and see what teams we can get to come and do Lewistown vs Lewistown scrimmages otherwise?
 - ♣ **Board decided to book Saturday the 14th for youth hockey and see who we can get to come.**
- 3v3 tournament
 - o Need new pond hockey goals – Plans are available online, maybe we can purchase materials and get a parent some volunteer hours to build two sets (4 goals)
 - o Is it appropriate to schedule this for a Friday that the kids have off school?
 - ♣ **Board decided it is appropriate to do on a Friday. Try to give notice of one week and do it later in the year when 6u/8u have their legs under them and we get a nice day. Will try and find a parent to build 4 goals.**

Scheduling - I want to get everything on HEJA as soon as possible, especially the events that we can possibly take two teams to, if I get a list of who has rostered on the 16th I can get most of it up then for people to RSVP.

2024/2025 Season

Registration: Only 40 kids registered at this time. Kendra turned off the USA hockey # validation due to a delay on the USA hockey side of things. Rob will post a reminder to Heja re: the October 15th gear/jersey event at the rink.

Fundraising: Felecia reports 27 total sponsors for the calendar Raffle- Awesome job by all involved in collecting those sponsors! Felecia also reports that FFCU has given us a \$10,000 donation this year! Dan will bring the calendars to the October 15th event.

Gear Rental/Jersey & Sock ordering: We will have an event down at the rink on October 15th from 5-7pm for those needing to rent gear, order jersey/socks, meet with the coaches etc. Status of Gear bags is unknown. When they arrive, we still need a photo of the board with gear sets for Jaycees

Board Positions: We will continue to try to fill the open board position. All board members will need to be SafeSport certified. Dan will print the Board Code of Conduct for each member to sign at the next meeting.

Team Pictures: The board discussed the possibility of having pictures in early December. It was also discussed to have possibly have this during the day, not during a practice evening.

NEW EQUIPMENT

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New Hockey Gear Shed: Jerimi has started on the new shed and will need help with walls, trusses etc. The Amish will be dropping off the rolling door. Divider boards need to be modified at the October 15th event.

Dividers/netting: Divider modifications and attaching the netting will be done on October 15th during the Gear/Jersey event at the week.

Goalie gear: Shawn may have pads to add to the program.

Gear bags: New gear sets are on the way.

New business

Stop the Bleed/First Aid: We will try to get a date on the books to hold this training. Vanessa will talk with trainers and get a few date ideas.

USA hockey Ref Training: must be registered by the end of October to participate.

Code of Conduct: Dan will print and have them available for the board to sign at the next meeting.

Adjourn: Next meeting scheduled for November 12th, 2024 at 6pm at the Civic Center.