

KENSINGTON VALLEY HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Monday February 17, 2025

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

DIRECTORS PRESENT: President Clement, Secretary/VP Galloway, Girls Director Wainwright, House Director McFall, Treasurer Dougherty, Member and Social Media Manager Michalak, Appointee Popma

ABSENT: Travel Director Vedder, Appointee McNeil, Appointee Mainhardt

STAFF: Office Manager Christ; LTP Director Whitbeck

MEMBERSHIP/GUEST: Amanda Vizzini, Mary Rumble, Kira Damusis, Mike Degg, Kristen Bridge, Tonya Emerson – 12U Destroyers, Kylie Frenger – 12U Destroyers, Casey Mcready - 12U Generals, Bob Rechul – 14U Admirals, Bob Hamel, Brandon Camerella, Kristy Holmstrom, Tom Rumble – 12U Destroyers

OPEN CALL: Limit to 5 minutes per person, no discussion (for timeline sake)
- Concerns about 14U house teams for next season, 2 teams?
House teams are formed in the fall, travel in the spring. 14U numbers for next year are good for two house teams and possibly one low level travel team.
- 6-7+ House kids are ready for Howe 3 travel, Casey Mcready is willing to coach
With sale of the rink, lost ice to Hartland splitting off. BBSG also schedules tourneys and take ice. KVHA will have less ice in the 25-26 season, and BBSG has not provided information about how much ice KVHA will have. Further information will be provided this week from BBSG.

MINUTES: Review January minutes. **Motion to approve January minutes made by Social Media Manager Michalak, 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 no late payments. Need to start gathering year end budgets. Some teams have high balances. Two accounts have balances from two years ago.

COMMITTEE UPDATES:

- **Jerseys:** House Director McFall to discuss 2025 jersey designs
- **Discipline:** 18U Rebels player GM for slew footing; 18U Rebels player GM (4) penalties in a game; 2010 Raiders player GM for (4) penalties in a game; 2010 Raiders coach (5) game suspension and (1) year probation for hosting an ineligible player at an interest skate in November; 2013 Raiders coach cleared of allegations of playing an ineligible player; 14U

coach (3) game suspension for playing games prior to having an official roster; 2011 Renegades issue with player not serving a GM; 10U Brigade complaint received from Livonia Hockey Association regarding a coach (investigated and suspension issued); 10U Eagles coach GM for persisting in any conduct where previously assessed misconduct

- IT/Communications – Social Media Manager Michalak - Nothing to report_.
- Election – Office Manager Christ: To date 5 applications have been received. President Clement is not seeking re-election.

- Finance –Treasurer Dougherty:
- Coaching Selection –
 - House Director McFall: Nothing to report
 - Travel Director Vedder: Not present to report. Michelle reported tryout dates are scheduled.
 - Girls Director Wainwright: Will hold a Ravens program meeting in April.
- Charity Event – Committee temporarily inactive.
- House Evaluation/Draft – House Director McFall- Nothing to report
- Grow the Game – House Director McFall – Looking to purchase a new set of pads. Learn the Game and Learn to Play will continue. Learn to Skate will be taken over by BBSG. Kurt Gosselin has been offered job as BBSG Hockey Director. Looking at Take a Shot at Hockey as well.
- House Development: Nothing to report
- Arena/Ice Conditions – Repair planned for leak in locker room.
- Ice Scheduling – Sydney will handle KVHA scheduling and tournaments
- Alumni – Appointee Popma - Nothing to report

DIVISION UPDATES:

- Learn to Play: Nothing to report
- Mini-Mite/Mite: Nothing to report
- House: Nothing to report
- Travel: 16U Renegades may not have had a coach at practice.
- Girls: Nothing to report

TRAINING/SKILLS:

- Update on House goalie training: Jim Blanchard will do two more sessions. Plan to do spring and summer sessions.

MAHA / USA HOCKEY:

- 8u Hockey Plus Program launch

PAST BUSINESS:

- KVHA Intern Application
- 14U T3 Ravens issue (resolved)
- AAA Biggby teams skating out of Brighton for the 2025 season?

- KVHA is unable to effectively plan 2025 season
- 14U Admirals requested a penalty review for additional discipline
- 10U Eagles requested a penalty review for additional discipline
- 14U Admirals – outside note received regarding an alleged racial slur during a game on 1-5-2025
- 2014 Raiders – outside complaint received regarding a parent who was scorekeeping using disrespectful and disparaging remarks directed at a player on the opposing team during a game on December 20, 2024.
- Website issue – MAHA discovered the KVHA website had information about AAU Brighton ICE
- District playoff Credentialing issues with 2015 Renegades, 10U Eagles, 2013 Raiders, 12U Generals, 2011 Renegades, 2010 Rebels, 16U Renegades, 18U Rebels, 10U T2 Ravens, 14U T2 Ravens, 14U T3 Ravens, 16u T2 Ravens, 19U T2 Ravens
- 12 Destroyers coach complaint
- Discussion of committees – Caryn Michalik
- White boards for meeting room and board room (approved a \$1,000 budget allowance)

NEW BUSINESS:

- 14U Admirals MAHA District 4 Champions. Congratulations to the hard work of the coaching staff and players. Best of luck in the State Tournament.

Motion by President Clement to pay the State Tournament Fee for the 14U Admirals, Girls Director Wainwright second, Yes votes from all, Passes.

- 14U Admirals - contribution toward cost of the State Tournament.
- 10U Brigade - multiple issues surrounding alleged abusive actions of players and lack of disciplinary action taken by head coach
- 10U Brigade - complaint received alleging team manager has publicly threatened to get a coach suspended as he has sought accountability of her son's behavior
- 12U Destroyers complaint filed against head coach for allegedly sitting players for extended periods of time and giving extra ice time during games to select players and not rotating players into various positions (investigated);
- 2015 Raiders head coach requested a meeting to resolve a conflict
- 2015 Raiders - complaint filed against coach regarding alleged bullying by a player along with fairness when it comes to playing time
- 2015 Renegades complaint filed against head coach regarding favoritism of certain players leading to a request to remove him as a coach
- Complaint filed against Hockey Director
- 2015 Renegades player release
- 2012 Rebels granted a release to move from the KVHA to HHC

REQUESTS:

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 10:19 PM

Updated 02/16/2025.