

WMHA Board Meeting Minutes

August 21, 2023 7:30 – 8:30 pm Location - Arctic Spas Rec Complex

Online: meet.google.com/ndp-yshk-cnu

Attendees In Person: Jen, Bobbie, Shayne, Jesse, Sherri, Jane, Erin, Chad, Dewey, Shawn, Kaz

Attendees Online: Cory, Kayla, Alyssa

Agenda Items

7:30 – 7:35 pm

- Call Meeting to Order
 - Chad Call meeting to order 7:37 PM
- Accept agenda
 - Dewey makes motion to accept the agenda, Shayne seconds it.
- Adopt previous minutes.
 - Jen makes motion to accept agenda, Shayne seconds it.
- Members at large Questions
 - None

7:35 – 8:00 Old Business

West 39

- Local Objectives and Bylaws Submission update. Discuss Warburg Directors
 - Still waiting on Objectives and Bylaws
 - Try to get Directors to attend most meetings
- Referee Clinics - Oct 28 Ref Clinic. Links posted on Thorsby Facebook page,
 - Chad will post on Calmar's Facebook
 - Need the link to get into the clinic – Opened on the 16th
 - Should see if we can get the Warburg page updated as well.
 - Make sure better communication with the Referee Clinics for reimbursement.
 - will remove "student" from the reimbursement requirement to include adults.
 - Kayla will Start the West 39 Facebook Page, now and the other pages will add in info to redirect to the new West 39 Page.
- Document Review
 - Season Timeline
 - Registration Fees May 31, Evaluation Dates, Photos
 - Registration Early Bird up to Aug 1
 - Registration regular after Aug 1
 - Tournament Dates:
 - Calmar has requested to have 2 weekends for Minor Hockey Tournaments

Last Year:

- U15 December 2-4 Calmar
- U13 Middle December 16-18
- U11 Jan 27-29
- U9 Jan 6-8
- U9 Feb 17 – 19
- U7 Feb 17 – 19
- U7 March 4-5

This Year: U7 & U9s on Different weekends.

- U9 Warbug November 25-26
- U15 December 1-3 Calmar?
- U13 December 15-17
- U7 – January 13-14 Thorsby
- U11 – January 26-28
- U7 – Calmar Feb 10
- U9 - Feb 17-19 Thorsby and Calmar 2 venues.
- U7 - Warbug Tournament March 9

- Conditioning Camp Dates: Due Early September
- Evaluation dates Confirmed: Due Early September
- Coach Application: Due September 12
- Photos: Book by September 15
- CAHL: Sept 1 Association Contact Form - Chad
- CAHL: Sept 1 Team Summary Form – Chad

- Coach Application – Google Forms

Shawn put it in Google Forms, minor tweaks from last years – Geared towards head coach, should add in questions for Assistant Coach. Try to have it done by Aug 31.

- Confirmed previous documents are good
 - Equipment Current - Goalie Pads, Chest Protector, Blocker supplied to all levels as needed. – will Cap to U11, as there is a credit for goalie gear.
 - Suggestion that Discipline committee not include President and 3 VP's (then they can be brought in if there is an appeal) - no reason to exclude as the whole board is brought in for the appeal. Will make sure there is no conflict of interest included in the wording.
 - Added a couple extra items for the hockey operations.

*Coach/Manager Package and Tournament Package still need to be reviewed.

- Items / Equipment for beginning of season:
 - Jersey and Socks
 - Pucks – can order blue pucks as needed
 - First Aid Kits
 - Boss Edge was in all 3 rinks
 - We need to Change Calmar's combination lock code, Warburg change to combination lock from keyed lock.

- Centralize Equipment to Thorsby that we don't want to go missing.
- Fundraising Plan:
 - More communication, will sell raffle packs, is online 50/50 worth it where we have a casino this year. Casino Feb 4-5 2024 – incentives to do the casino (5 volunteers each day), Make 50/50 optional if tournaments are bringing in money. Make camping basket or something for raffle.
- Website – Confirm contact info
 - Confirmed with board members
- Boundaries - Status Update
 - HA needs more time to set boundaries,
 - Chad to approach presidents of neighboring associations to get their signoff.
- Junior C Update – Awaiting Junior C board decision
 - Cory talked to them, not going to happen for this year. Going to target for next season. Cory awaiting package still. Will need to have some ice in Calmar if we want the board to accept
- ● Bank Accounts & Signing Authority Update
 - Warburg Cheque
 - Received
 - QuickBooks online best option?
 - Jesse dealing with this probably going with online quickbooks only
- Evaluations Update – Sep 28 and Oct 1 Confirmed with Bar-Down
- Goalie Clinic research and update – Jesse/Jen
 - Jen is applying for the Hockey Alberta Grant with the Quote
 - Paul Trochon
 - Would want Calmar Ice Starting 10-12 every 2 weeks till end of December \$80 per session, no travel charges if in Calmar. Still awaiting reply on Travel charge for Thorsby / Warburg
 - Booked for 30 days worth of sessions.
- Calmar parade Aug 19 – Review
 - Parade went well, good involvement and everyone seemed to like the new Logo.

8:00 - 9:00 New Business

West 39

- Director Reports
 - Cory
 - Ice schedule should be similar to last year (some juggling with the Calmar ice) – will be working on draft for 3 ice rotation and solidifying schedules.
 - Thorsby Ice will around the middle of September.
 - Calmar around September 18th – possibly earlier.
 - Warburg will be probably around the same time as Thorsby.

- Kayla
 - Will set up Facebook page for the new association. Kayla and Amanda to work together on communication
- Alyssa
 - Will go through the Safety information
- Tiffany
 - Emailed Mark with Artic Spas – waiting to hear back
- Erin
 - Confirm Thorsby Central location for Equipment
- Jane
 - U13 big issue with rostering and tryouts
- Sherri
 - Website up to date
 - Jersey Sponsorship done
- Jesse
 - All 3 associations have put in their money
- Shayne
 - NAI folded, most teams have found a place
 - CAHL Vote right now to allow Drayton Vally & Winfield due to Hardship, New Sarepta got in already.
 - Not sure on interleague games yet.
 - Still Thorsby Minor Hockey under CAHL, HA aware and understands we are using Thorsby's number.
- Jen
 - Working on Fundraising
- Kaz
 - Has the Bucks banner, will leave it in the Thorsby Equipment Room for storage.
- Shawn
 - Work on the Google form and then submit for review
- Dewey
 - Did the Parade
 - Would hockey association be interested in volunteering for the Calmar Ball Tournament? Will look into at a later date.
- Chad
 - Working on the Calmar Ice Schedule, etc.
- Registration
 - Review numbers
- U7
 - 1 Calmar team
 - 2 Thorsby teams? – Shared Ice
 - 1 Warburg

U9

4 Teams

Warburg will probably want to be separate

Will have to reach out to parents – do a survey on what they want to do.

U11

Looking like 2 teams

Only 1 signed up as goalie

U13

2 teams

Few goalies signed up

U15

1 Team

K.S. might need to overage to U13

Roster is looking full – need to check Transfer to female vs tryout to female

Need to confirm outside registrations

U18

1 Team

Need to confirm 1 player (Z.G.) – could be a safety issue, would need to move down to U15.

Looks like 3 goalies – might need to do tryouts/evaluation

Need update on tryout kids

- U9 Group – Plan needed for Parent Feedback to decide staying local or playing as a group.
 - email to all Parents a survey to see if they want to combine teams. Would have to be Majority rules. Keep it anonymous but leave their hometown. Option that if a few players want to leave their home ice to be tiered they can?
 - seems most Warburg Parents wont want to merge and would want to stay local
- Discuss 3 year old application
 - Okay for them to try and see.
- U7 to U9 request – C.K.
 - No issues with this request
- U9 to U11 Tryout – K.T.
 - No issues with this request
- Potential U9 to U11 Tryout - N.P.

- Player Releases/Tryouts to date
 - Nothing new
- Association Jerseys – Status Update
 - Sizes – Variety of sizes
 - U7 Y-S,M Goalie

- U9 Y-S,M Yth Goalie
- U11 Y-M,L,XL – Adult Goalie Jersey Need Adult Smalls
- U13 YXL Adult M,L – Adult Goalie
- U15 Adult S,M,L,XL – Adult Goalie
- U18 Adult L,XL,XXL – Adult Goalie
- Keep Numbers and sizes mixed up
- Jersey Sponsors – Status Update
 - All Jersey sponsor slots were sold out.
 - Working on Proofs.
 - Rusty Nutz are ok with Newport logo being used in their place.
- Ice allocation – Calmar issues resolved, Thorsby/Warburg status?
 - 2 nights in a row for practice with good times.
 - Friday night and 2 Saturday slots only.
 - Cory working with Thorsby and Warburg.
- 2024 Calmar Casino
 - Talked about above – will need 5 people a night for 2 nights.
 - Calmar’s Casino fund – needs to be spent. Jane and Jesse to figure out.
- NAI/CAHL Status
 - Talked about above.
- Evolution Sports
 - Needs a response for why we went with another company for Jerseys.
 - Wants to have shelf space for some Bottles / Bags with our logo.
 - Chad to talk to Evolution about Jerseys and would be interested in the Bottles / Bags.
- Centre Ice Logos
 - Thorsby would put in West 39 Logo, Template would need to be sourced out.
 - Will have to check on Calmar and Warburg if they would be willing to put the logo in the ice.

Next Meeting: 7:00 September 11 In Thorsby.

Jesse makes motion to adjourn meeting 10:20PM Shayne Seconds.