

**Minutes -****EYHA Board Meeting***June 18, 2009***Attendees:**

Board Members: John Laliberte, Deanna Cram, Carney Daniels, Al Foice, Rebecca Stone, Dean Bartlett, Jerry Heath, Rob Young, John Maddalena, Larry Hagerty
Other Attendees: Mr. Norris and Wil Norris, Austin Andersen-Martin

Notes:

- Meeting called into order at 7:11PM
- Minute approvals May 21, 2009 Minutes were approved
- Open discussion from visitors: Al Foice presented the 2009 Greg Lehouiller award to midget player Wil Norris. Wil's dad Kevin thanked the board for their efforts.
- Treasurers Report: Rebecca and Pat are authorized signers on all bank accounts. The board was provided with a set of financial reports prior to the meeting. Rebecca will lead the budget committee and send out an email letting people know when the first meeting will be held.
- Tournament Director: Nothing to report
- VP Travel: Nothing to report
- VP House: Nothing to report. John Maddalena suggested that 70 minutes is too long for novice players to be on the ice and suggested we modify that timeframe. John Laliberte agreed and will coordinate a schedule with Craig.
- Head Coach Report: Nothing to report
- Registrar: Deanna would like to propose that online registration begin in July with a \$50 nonrefundable fee. Al stated that in order to do this we will need to have total price and budget and that it will be unlikely to have this completed by July. The purpose of early registration is to secure player numbers and it was determined that reliance will be placed on the projections and that registration will occur in August. The concept of a the non-refundable fee and a discount was discussed but no action was taken. Rob suggested that we consider posting signs for registration day, which the board felt was a good idea. SB Signs would be a good source with an emphasis on our website as a reference. Rob will look into this.
- Equipment Report: All coaches bags and white boards are accounted for except for Pat. Dean also noted that all goalie equipment was accounted for except for Pat's. Dean suggested we replace 3-4 coaches bags due to wear and tear. Dean has all the books except for Pat's. Jersey inventory shows that we are good with adult large and extra large. We have 9 youth extra larges. 24 adult smalls. Dean recommended that we order more. He recommended that we order 30 blue and white in youth large and extra large and another 10 blue and white in adult small. The board discussed various matters including rising prices and time to fill the orders. Motion to purchase the recommended jerseys. Motion passed. Dean suggested that the board re-evaluate the current policy regarding goalie pricing. He indicated that player families with kids interested in trying goalie were concerned due to the expense of goalie equipment.. Al proposes that we need to see what equipment we have, what kind of shape the equipment is in and then look at projections as far as number of goalies and interest of goalies. Based on that information we can make a decision.
- Ice Coordinator: Nothing to report
- Women's Director: Rob is getting help from Craig for Bring a Friend to Skate day. John and Jerry will ensure that EHS and MMU high school girls will be there. Craig has been forwarding



information to Rob about people who are interested in the girls program.

- Fundraising report: considering the yearbook coordinator is significantly behind in completing the 2008-2009 yearbook, we are looking at doing the year book differently. Pat suggested that we do a combination two year book and consider having player profiles with each team for the 2009-2010 season. The board approved the plan to not do one for this past year but do the combination book with the team pages and head shots of the new skaters this coming year.
- Annual Golf Tournament, Sunday August 23rd, Links at Lang Farm. More details to follow.
- *Tanya Carpenter from Travis Roy association has requested support for Little Fenway. Each year we have offered free registration. The registration has not generated its worth. A motion was made to send a check for \$150 from Essex Youth Hockey. This motion was passed.
- Grow the Game: Austin is looking at a Bring a Friend for boys. Austin would like to have a grow the game corner on the website, and Larry will coordinate web updates. Al mentioned that the state would like to know all that we are doing for Grow the Game and Austin can coordinate with Jeff Cabanaw of VSAHA. Austin would like to us adopt the slogan Essex Youth Hockey: The New Ice Age with the Essex Youth Hockey Logo. Austin is looking into a sponsor. Recommendation that the Mount Mansfield area be saturated with info on Grow the Game.
- State Representative: Nothing to report
- Head Referee Report: Nothing to report
- Past President: Nothing to report
- New Business
 - Wade Hughes Memorial: Motion passed to create an award related to the House program. John will work on this.

Adjourn for executive session at 8:30

Action Items:	Date:	Responsible:
1. Larry will gather information and add to registration form		
2. Dean will get an inventory of all goalie equipment: size and condition		
3. John will talk to Craig about the length of time novice players are on ice		
4. Deanna will get more data on the 22 nd		
5. Rebecca will assemble budget committee		
6. Kristin will ask Pat how to get mass emails out to current members		
7. Larry will work with Pete and Paul on website matters.		
8. Larry will help Austin with a section on the website		
9. John will meet with people to set criteria for the Wade Hughes Memorial		

Related Materials:

