

EYHA Meeting Minutes June 19, 2014

Members present: Patrick Burke, John Laliberte, Fraser MacDonald, Dan Forcier, Mike Smith, Laura Zambarano, Missy Blondin, Jen McFaul, Dave Z, Julie Miller Johnson,

Guests present: Steve Young, Sean Haggerty, John Carter, Dhyana Bradley, Erik Amalixsen, Rhonda Forcier, Laura McDonald

Call to order: 7:00PM

Meeting Minutes

- Dan made motion. Seconded by Jen. Approved unanimously. Burke abstained from voting.

Visitors items

- Steve Young requested more goalie clinics for young players. JL wants to see them front loaded. Discussion had about how to fund this or get HS students etc.

Treasurer

- Short discussion regarding the use of funds as \$ from Back Stage has begun to tail off.
- We have 17 teams this year, 25% more than other associations.
- FM has some detailed treasurers notes that will be attached regarding Budget options.
- 2 options proposed (see attachment)
- JL shared a bit of history for visitors. He spoke about the rainy day fund, how bank accounts swelled \$25-\$30 thousand each year, savings grew quickly, EYHA decided to spend down the money by incorporating Jay Peak, Off-Ice and No fee increases in registration. EYHA likes to keep \$150 per player in savings
- PB mentioned that we have not raised fees in 8 years and that we are lower than other associations.
- OPEN discussion regarding raising fees. PB suggested we raise fees for all members, not just older. PB felt raising fees for just older members would not be good for EYHA. Fee discussion included a discussion about off ice training. The board also discussed how we fund all age groups. Some members felt we could be opening ourselves up to more discussion about budget if we start raising fees for certain age groups and services. Subsidies were discussed (Jay Peak and off ice training).
- JM made a motion to add \$40 to budget option#2 to increase travel fee by \$40 and to strike bullet items 2 and 4. PB seconded. Motion on table. Discussion about changing option 2. JM made motion no invalid. Lots of discussion had about fee increase, No Jay Peak subsidy and keeping a balanced budget.
- JM makes another motion to amend option # 2 of the proposed budget, which would add a \$40 increase to the travel fee. PB seconds. 8 in favor, 2 against. Motion approved
- PB moves to adopt amended option #2 of the budget. JM seconds. Discussion regarding raising fees off-ice training and ADM model.
- DF makes a motion to approve JM amended option #2 budget proposal. PB seconds. 7 YES. 2 NO. Budget approved, option #2. Option #2 now reads:
 - Balanced Budget
 - Fee increases for all travel players
 - No Jay Peak subsidy (attendees pay in full)
 - Off-Ice training included
 - No Dasher Board Revenue

Ice Coordinator

- DK met with Noel about ice. We have gained and lost some. Still not HS schedules. Will finalize ice schedule July 21 with Noel (EHS). Cairns and Waterbury will fill in ice gaps. Cairns increase fees to \$195 per hour.

- Tryout dates: Oct. 3, 4, 5, 6 and 8th if needed.
- JMJ prefers that U14's not travel to Waterbury if possible because of merger with Burlington Girls. Will have to take more Leddy ice.
- MS spoke with state, possible jamboree Dec. 6th

Fundraising

- Golf tournament meeting. Missy looking for help. John will email all members. Date is Sept. 7
- Other fundraising options: bottle drive, dasher boards

VSAHA

- Matt and Mike are meeting with other associations about state issues.

Referee

- Bruce absent. No report.

Registrar

- DF will change website with the correct fees. Registration to open early to mid July.

Travel Update

- GC got a second key from Noel for building. YEAH.
- There will be smaller advertising options.
- Further dasher board discussion.
- Food cart discussion. Absolutely possible when there is no snow, more difficult when snow on ground.
- GC spoke with Noel about look up line. Noel wants more information.

House Update

- JM reminds board that we still need a house representative. Peter Hess is interested.

Women's Director

- Taste of Hockey is next week. There are 10 girls signed up. Carney is in charge of ice.
- U14 arrangement still good.

Head Coach

- Carney absent. No report.

Tournament Director

- MS met with MC about Yamboree in November. Information coming soon.
- MS will go to next state meeting with MC regarding the state tournament. MS asked for feedback regarding which tournaments work well for us. PB responded with A level.

Equipment Coordinator

- Rob not present. No report.

Past- President's Report.

- PB back . He reports a clean health report. YEAH!

President's Report

- John L nothing to report

New Business

- Bylaws amendment not able to be voted on due to attendance numbers.