

EYHA Board Meeting

Essex Rink

November 19, 2015

Board Members Present : John Laliberte, Jennifer McFaul, Sean Haggerty, Rick Villamil, Daniel Forcier, Matt Clark, Dave Kedzierski, Carney Daniels, Sarah Stempek, Frank Parisi, Bruce Garrapy, Scott Prim,

Board Members Absent : Mike Smith, Rob Young, Pat Burke,

Others Present : Will Gonyeau

Call to Order : John Laliberte, President of the Board, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Agenda Items :

- **Previous Meeting Minutes**
 - No corrections were required for the previous month's minutes
 - Motion from Matt Clark to approve minutes, seconded by Bruce Garrapy
 - Motion approved unanimously

- **Visitors to Be Heard :**
 - **Will Gonyeau** ~ Came before the Board to advise that in his opinion the House Program is in need of assistance. He was very complimentary of the efforts of John Laliberte with the House Program but indicated that there is a need for more volunteers to assist with the program, particularly with the squirt, peewee and bantam group.
 - House VP McFaul confirmed that there are issues with the House Program and agreed that John needs assistance. There appears to be a lack of parental assistance with the program
 - Mr. Gonyeau requested that Head Coach Carney Daniels send an email to all coaches in the association requesting their assistance with the House Program.
 - Carney to send an email to all coaches
 - Mr. Gonyeau also suggested to the Board that it is time to begin a search for a new President so that John can focus his efforts on the House Program.

- **Executive Updates:**
 - **Treasurer ~ Frank Parisi** presented an updated Profit and Loss statement to the Board.
 - Frank advised that there are still outstanding tournament fees due to the association from travel teams.
 - Frank indicated that at this time there are no outstanding registration fees due

- Frank will email an updated statement to the Board members showing current budget vs actuals
- **Ice Coordinator ~ Dave Kedzierski** advised that practice schedule has been completed up until the second week of January. He also confirmed the third goalie clinic will be held in January
- **VSAHA Representative ~ Matt Clark** advised that our “Grow the Game” grant request for \$2000 has been submitted to VSAHA and his expectation is that we will receive a percentage of the request. Matt should know the outcome at the next VSAHA Board meeting
 - Reminded the Board that we need to notify VSAHA by December 31 of any teams from our association that will not be participating in the State tournament
 - There is probability that we will be hosting the Squirt Tier 2 Regional tournament in Essex on March 11-13. Matt will advise when confirmed
- **Head Referee ~ Bruce Garrapy** advised nothing new to report this month
- **Registrar ~ Dan Forcier** advised that team books, rosters and credentials are done
 - All coaches have submitted their USA Hockey numbers to the association
 - Full season midget registration is open. The midget numbers are low due to high school season commencing
- **Travel VP ~ Scott Prim** advised that he was able to replace 2 tournaments for travel teams that had been lost.
 - He advised that the U12 girls have indicated that they do not want to participate in the St. Albans tournament as the competition will be above their level. Scott has contacted St. Albans to inquire about withdrawing but has not heard back as of yet
- **House VP ~ Jennifer McFaul** nothing new to report
- **House Representative ~ Mike Smith** was not present, no report this month
- **Women's Director ~ Sarah Stempel** advised the Board that she is recommending a U8 girls program for next season. She estimates that we will have the numbers needed to field a team next year. This season SASA, CSB and MAHA all have U8 girls teams and they have indicated that they will again next season
 - In regards to U14s, Sarah advises that planning for next season needs to begin soon
- **Head Coach ~ Carney Daniels** advised nothing new to report this month
- **Tournament Director ~ Rick Villamil** advised that planning for the upcoming Yamboree has gone well and the schedule is complete. There are 3 more teams registered this year than last.
- **Equipment Coordinator ~ Rob Young** was not present, no report this month
- **Secretary/Safe Sport Coordinator ~ Sean Haggerty** updated the Board on the TD Bank - Bruins PASS Clinic that is set for Dec. 3. We have 50 players

registered and 6 coaches have volunteered to help out on the ice. Sean and Dan Forcier will be there to handle the registration.

- **Past President ~ Pat Burke** was not present, no report this month
- **President ~ John Laliberte** reminded the Board that our annual Calcutta is scheduled for January 31 and that planning is ongoing

New Business:

- **House Player attending Travel practice ~ John Laliberte** advised that he was approached by the father of one the House players about the possibility of his son attending occasional Travel (peewee) practices. The players father indicated that he may wish to play Travel hockey next year. After discussion it was decided that John would present the option of attending 2 Travel practices and then if the player wishes to he could join the peewee B team and play the appropriate fees.
- **Next Meeting:** December 17 @ 7:00 pm - Essex Rink Classroom

The Board adjourned open session at 9:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Sean E. Haggerty