

EYHA Board Meeting

Essex Rink

April 17, 2016

Board Members Present : Jennifer McFaul, Scott Prim, Dan Forcier, Sean Haggerty, Sarah Stempek, Rick Villamil, Rob Young, Mike Smith, Tanya Rassel, Bruce Garrapy, Frank Parisi, Carney Daniels, Dave Kedzierski, Pat Burke (By Phone)

Board Members Absent : John Laliberte, Matt Clark

Others Present : Josh Burt, Rick Martin, Jennifer Kerner

Call to Order : Jennifer McFaul, Vice President of the Board, called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm

Agenda Items :

- **Previous Meeting Minutes**
 - No corrections were required for the previous meeting's minutes
 - Motion from Rick Villamil to accept minutes, seconded by Scott Prim
 - Motion approved unanimously
- **Visitors to Be Heard :**
 - Nothing
- **Executive Updates:**
 - **Treasurer ~ Frank Parisi** presented an up to date Profit & Loss report to the Board. Frank advised he is in the process of finalizing the PO BOX for the association.
 - Frank advised that we have not yet received payment for hosting the NE Districts
 - There continue to be outstanding registration fees due. Dan and Frank will work together to collect the outstand fees and appropriate follow up will occur as per the association's policy
 - **Ice Coordinator ~ Dave Kedzierski** advised that outside rink requests are due shortly and that he will take care of completing those
 - Dave was notified by Waterbury Ice Center that ice time for Mon-Fri for the coming season will not be available to EYHA. Waterbury will only be offering us ice time on Sundays from 7:00 am - 12:30 pm. No reason was provided by Waterbury.
 - Dave expects based on our numbers projections that we will require more ice time next season than we did this past season

- Dave reminded the Board that Christmas Eve/Day & New Years Eve/Day both fall on Saturdays & Sundays this coming season, resulting in the loss of 4 game days.
- **Fundraising Coordinator ~ Tanya Rassel** advised that she is meeting with Noel next week to discuss advertising on the boards.
 - Shaws in Williston has again donated \$500 to EYHA
 - Tanya plans to move ahead with the raffle fundraiser for next season
 - Dan and Tanya will work together to refine the volunteer signup on the registration
- **VSAHA Representative ~ Sean Haggerty & Dan Forcier** attended the VSAHA meeting on behalf of Matt. They reported to the Board that VSAHA has hired Jeff Hill as the VT Coordinator for goaltending development and he will be available to associations for clinics.
 - VSAHA has moved off the “Dashboard” software and to Sport NGIN
 - Level 4 & 5 coaching clinics will be offered over the summer in a variety of locations. Carney asked to notify our coaches to check the VSAHA or USA Hockey websites for dates and locations
 - VSAHA is offering to conduct body contact clinics in the Fall for associations that are interested. They are also prepared to offer ADM clinics for coaches and parents
 - VSAHA is promoting the Green Mountain Development Camp for girls, they asked that member associations promote it as well
 - VSAHA asked member association for feedback on “Loyalty Policies”, regarding players being loyal to their home associations during the season
 - Our motion to VSAHA for the continued merger of our U14 girls with CSB and BAHA was put to a vote and passed 10-9
- **Head Referee ~ Bruce Garrapy** advised that he continues to work with the VSAHA State Tournamnet Sub-Committee and they are working on proposals for amendments to the process. He will continue to provide updates
- **Registrar ~ Dan Forcier** provided projections for next season and numbers appear strong with the potential of 184 returning travel players and 16 travel teams
- **Travel VP ~ Scott Prim** nothing new to report
- **House VP ~ Jennifer McFaul** advised that she has met with her sub-committee for House and they continue to work on a plan for next season
- **House Representative ~ Mike Smith** advised that as part of his role with VSAHA he is working to develop a consistent set of guidelines for U8(cross ice mites) to be implemented state wide
- **Women's Director ~ Sarah Stempek** advised that the Taste of Hockey Camp has been advertised in teh EJPR summer brocheure and that there have been 4 sign ups so far, the camp will be held in August this year at Cairns
 - Sarah is working on the Memorial Day Parade

- Sarah is still planning to have a parents meeting in regards to girls hockey
- **Head Coach ~ Carney Daniels** advised that he has been in contact with officials at Jay Peak in regards to organizing our camp.
 - Identified October 7-10 as dates for evaluations
 - Is organizing a level 1 coaching clinic for the month of October
- **Tournament Director ~ Rick Villamil** reminded the Board that the Street Hockey Tournament is approximately 3 months away, Rick will begin meeting with his committee shortly
- **Equipment Coordinator ~ Rob Young** advised he continues to collect a few outstanding pieces of equipment.
 - Rob would like feedback from coaches as to what gear they need
- **Secretary/Safe Sport Coordinator ~ Sean Haggerty** nothing new to report
- **Past President ~ Pat Burke** was not present, no report this month
- **President ~ John Laliberte** not present, nothing new to report

New Business:

- **Spring Evaluations ~ Scott** presented a list of Pros and Cons of Spring vs Fall evaluations. Scott is in favor of moving evaluations to the Spring. The issue was discussed by the Board at length. Scott will seek out additional information from other associations of similar size to ours that use Spring evaluations
 - Motion by Scott Prim that there be an open discussion at the May Board meeting for the membership of the EYHA regarding the potential of moving evaluations from the Fall to the Spring. Motion seconded by Frank Parisi
 - Motion passed 10-3
- **Jay Peak ~ Scott** led a discussion regarding the current situation at Jay Peak and all agreed that we need to proceed with caution until the matter becomes more stable

Election of Board of Directors:

- Ballots were cast and the following positions were elected:
 - President - Dan Forcier - 1 yr term
 - 1st Vice President House - Jennifer McFaul - 1 yr term
 - 2nd Vice President Travel - Scott Prim - 1 yr term
 - Secretary - Sean Haggerty - 1 yr term
 - Treasurer - Frank Parisi - 1 yr term
 - Registrar - Vacant - Dan Forcier will continue to cover until a replacement found
 - Ice Coordinator - Vacant - Dave agreed to assist for the short term
- **Next Meeting:** May 19 @ 7:00 pm - Essex Rink Classroom

The Board adjourned open session at 9:29 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Sean E. Haggerty