



## Casco Bay Hockey Meeting Minutes

**8/5/2024**

**Meeting Minutes approved 9.9.24**

**Attendance: Matt Lambert, Dorice Groshon, Greg Leclair, Charlie Weaver, Pat O' Malley, Marty B, Eric Turgeon, Bryna Finucane, Jayson Morrison, John Veilleux, Ray Cloutier, Rebecca Carter, Matt Curran, Heather Grondin, Anastasia O'Hagan, Jenn Ryan. Gary Goslin, Mike Geoghan, Joe Guerriero, Marc Halstead**

Date	Item	Who	Notes and Deliverables
8/5/2024 7-9pm	<b>Introductions</b>		Basic introductions
8/5/24	<b>CBA Update-</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Off ice use in August</li> <li>○ Ball hockey league w/ NHL</li> <li>○ Roller hockey open nights</li> <li>○ Hebert Construction hanging banners</li> <li>○ Slicing for slapshots</li> </ul>	John Veilleux- president CBA	<p>CBA Update- 9th season complete-</p> <p>This is the first official start up with the new chiller. Want to be conservative on when to promise ice as John is uncertain how temps, etc will influence this.</p> <p>John will meet with Matt and Mike G on scheduling- he wants to be practical.</p> <p>CBA info for new members- non profit- CBA currently has 8 board members- 4 are founders. Matt, Mike, Dan W and Joe G. are new to the board at CBA.</p> <p>CBA Board meeting will happen in September and goals for the year will be set.</p> <p>Sports floor- floor is still in for off-season use and has been used by multiple programs- (Southern Me Academy, bike clinic, Yarmouth soccer, Lightning soccer, Yarmouth HS- box lacrosse) – This helps offset revenue expenses for hockey.</p> <p>Floor will be pulled up at the end of Sept/early Oct.</p>

			<p>New CB banners will be hung on the far wall before the ice is put in.  CMP sponsors the electric zamboni. Plan for the zamboni to be wrapped in CB logos/CMP powered by logo.</p> <p>- Ice In Date- ? Oct 15th ? John Agrees on shooting for Oct 15th goal pending chiller efficiency. Team will convene to solidify the floor out, ice in and banners placed timeline.</p> <p>HS boys preseason clinic- conditioning clinic will occur in the 2 week window between fall sports ending and HS hockey try-outs.  Will consider adding a girls program pending timing.</p> <p>11/8- opening night- brainstorm grand opening ideas</p> <p>Mike- Ball Hockey League with NHL- NHL has a program that they sponsor. Considering starting next summer for the mite age group.</p> <p>Wed and Fri (need to verify) CBA is available for roller hockey, stick handling programs. Would like to avoid marking the floor with sticks. - Jayson, Greg and Gary will communicate with their teams and gauge interest.</p> <p>Open ice hours during school vaca/holidays have been made available for CB families. Would like to make more “Open hours” /free play available for older kids.</p> <p>\$7,000 netted through golf tourney</p>
8/5/24	<b>Seacoast Agreement Termination and CB Travel Team Name</b>	Matt	<p>CB has had a licensing agreement with Seacoast for the past 5 years.  (?) Agreement- \$2500 per team to be in BHL. The agreement was set to expire this coming season.</p> <p>Seacoast and the BHL/E9 league had a conflict over their SPA team. Seacoast wanted to remove those teams from the E9. Seacoast's agreement with BHL/E9 was terminated.  Seacoast and the rink was purchased by an outside organization. They were in violation with our</p>

			<p>agreement- business operations had changed. Casco Bay's agreement with Seacoast has been terminated.</p> <p>Casco Bay can no longer use the Spartan logo and name. The website has changed. Gear has been changed.</p> <p>Name Change- Proposed birth year, Casco Bay Mariners Elite and possibly Select</p> <p>Anastasia- For website- can we drop CB from the beginning of all team names on the website for consistency? Website team names will be edited</p> <p>Mike suggested thinking about trademarking the Mariners name... Will look into that</p> <p>Current agreement with BHL is year to year No chance of taking over Seacoast's auto bid at this time.</p>
8/5/24	<b>U19/U16 Girls Update</b>	Greg	<p>Matt found coaches- Thank you Matt!</p> <p>Greg will meet with the coaches and will be in close contact with them.</p> <p>The coaching stipend has been increased- 3k per team</p> <p>Exciting addition of 4 new coaches- skilled and have all played at a high level</p>
8/5/24	<b>U18/U16 Boys Update</b>	Eric and Dan	<p>Start this week- 8/5 and 8/6</p> <p>Player rosters are set</p> <p>Safe Sport has nearly been completed</p> <p>International players- transfer paperwork with USA Hockey is in the process of being completed</p> <p>A coach stepped down recently- looking for a replacement</p>
8/5/24	<b>U18 Tier IV Boys and Girls- Cost</b>	Ray and Tom	<p>U18 Tier IV Boys-</p> <p>Sun AM at NYA- HS aged players can play pick up. Great opportunity to get ready for the HS season.</p> <p>Last year- 40 total players- Goal was 60</p> <p>Would like to mirror a girls program- U18 Tier IV games on Sunday for 10 weeks- 60 vs 90 min.</p> <p>Ice- late sun afternoon at NYA held for Ray</p>

			<p>Proposition to get cost down in order to increase enrollment. Boys- Proposed dropping cost from \$425 to \$400</p> <p>Girls Budget/Cost- Currently- \$500 w early bird pricing of \$425- would like to extend early registration to 8/20</p> <p>Ideally would like to get 65 skaters at about \$365-</p> <p>For reference, Ray charged \$170 for spring/summer season- 80 girls- 6 skates at 60 min. - had a wait list and turned girls away.</p> <p>Will be cognizant of the start of the HS season- may trim off 2 weeks compared to the start of the boys season as the girls season starts sooner. Will cap players and have a waitlist- 16 skaters/2 goalies per team. Goalies will continue to get a discount.</p>
8/5/24	<b>Referee</b>	Tom Clifford	<p>Referee certification- Ed will hold on ice training for new referees prior to officiating their first games.</p> <p>New Rule- Everyone needs to wear cut resistant neck guards- Rules/penalties will be enforced. This includes practices. Treat neck guards like helmets. 19 and under referees need to wear neck guards, as well. Goaltenders need neck guards. Communication will be pushed out consistently with coaches/TAs Communication will be posted in rinks</p>
8/5/24	<b>Tier IV Uniforms and Equipment</b>	Meagan and Matt C	<p>Tier IV uniforms- Mites- all set Communication has started</p> <p>Megan V will send order form in tomorrow- All set to go with jerseys</p> <p>4 new nets will be ordered through a MEAHA grant. 4 used nets will be restrung and sent to Cape if storage is available- Anastasia will inquire</p> <p>Mike suggests ordering the nets now as they will</p>

			<p>take a while to be shipped</p> <p>Mites- 3 sets of goalie gear are ordered per year- Jayson recommends continuing this.</p>
8/5/24	<p><b>MEAHA Meeting</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Game Count</li> <li>○ Divisions</li> <li>○ 3/4 nets</li> <li>○ Travel Director</li> </ul>	Matt	<p>MEAHA held a meeting in July- Matt attended</p> <p>MEAHA would like to increase the game count of U16/U18 from 24 to 32 for the months of Sept, Oct, done by Nov.</p> <p>USA Hockey - need to play 20 games prior to state tourney games. State games do not count towards the 20 game total. MEAHA agreed</p> <p>Increased game count for U12 division</p> <p>Considered Parity for U10 coed travel- Unable to organize this for this year.</p> <p>U14, U12, U10- Tier 2, Tier 3 only play each other in their specified tier. You can cross over tiers, but it will be considered an exhibition.</p> <p>U10- Tier 2/Tier 3 MEAHA- All league games are played on ¾ sized nets. Only mandatory for MEAHA league games currently. Try to keep these nets consistent even during exhibition games.</p> <p>MEAHA is paying for the ¾ sized nets for all teams/rinks</p> <p>Provide info to Todd so that referees are aware of net size</p> <p>The MEAHA travel director position is open.</p>
	<b>Swag Store Timing</b>	Matt	<p>Only 1 Play It Again store this year- link was just sent out to coaches/TAs and will be provided to teams.</p> <p>Gear Locker- There will be a store that gear can be ordered from throughout the year.</p> <p>Gear that was ordered with Spartans logos can be changed except for the gloves. The gloves will have a small Spartans logo on them.</p>

8/5/24	<b>National Bound Fundraising Director</b>	Matt	<p>Need someone to direct running fundraisers for National Bound teams so that there is a pool already in place for these teams ahead of time. Team will brainstorm individuals and try to find someone interested in this position.</p>
	<b>Team and Coach Registration</b>	Heather	<p>Registration is on-going. Multiple head coaches still need to register.</p> <p>Down to 50 USA Hockey Numbers to collect.</p> <p>The Google sheet system for collecting data is working well</p> <p>Spreadsheets with team/coaches/TAs are up to date</p> <p>Reminders were sent out on Friday and will be sent out again tomorrow</p> <p>Player # and positions have been inputted and are awaiting coach confirmation</p>
	<b>Goalie</b>	Marc Halsted	<p>GDS- 28 currently signed up- Families will be emailed for their preferred timing of these clinics.</p> <p>Feedback has been received from goalie families and these families have been updated on improvements for this upcoming season.</p> <p>Fri PM clinics will be better organized- Alec/GDS will tailor to different ability levels</p> <p>Hoping for a set group of shooters- Shooters paired with developmental level</p> <p>Goalie coaching- same as last year- Consistent coaches working w same teams/players</p> <p>Adding another goalie coach- Nazarene College Alumni</p> <p>32 Ice times- Families will pick their top 3</p> <p>GDS- hopefully last year in Exeter- working hard on finding a different location in our area.</p>

8/5/24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Tournaments</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Icicle</li> <li>○ Lep Cup</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Bryna	<p>Icicle- 5-6 teams already registered, hoping for more Social blasting is happening Travel directors will reach out to other travel directors</p> <p>Hoping to start sponsorship, fundraising earlier this year. Will reach out to small businesses, etc for sponsorship</p> <p>Photography and Swag Shop were popular last year, hoping to build on this.</p> <p>National bound teams would be wonderful to help with the skills - great fundraiser</p> <p>Scheduling- CBA is all set Pond House and FIC- awaiting Josh's confirmation</p> <p>Awaiting Tourney posting on NE Girls League Website</p>
	<b>Reimbursing Coaches</b>		<p>USA Hockey Registration cost for coaches- Do we reimburse for USA hockey at the end of the season or reimburse them all together?</p> <p>Mike can reimburse earlier if necessary.</p>
	<b>Open Questions-</b>		<p>Q- Are individual teams able to do their own spontaneous fundraising? A- Families need to communicate what they would like to fundraise for and seek Board approval</p>