

FLAGSTAFF YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

January 12, 2016 @ 5:30pm

Call to Order: Dave Bereson at 5:40pm

Board Members Present: Dave Bereson, Jennie Palmer, Billy Brenden, Joth Jacobson, Bill Kuche, Garrick Brooks, Kristi Smith, Ken Brendel

Avalanche Board Members Present: Robert Gooch, Scott Robertson

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Board approved prior minutes from 12/15/15

REPORTS:

1) Equipment Manager (Lindsay)

Rental gear – discussion surrounding cost vs recoupment – how to minimize losses from unreturned rental gear. Should we increase rental fee?

2) Fundraising Coordinator (Kristi)

Tabled

3) Treasurer (DaveB)

Tabled

4) Registrar (Jennie)

Jennie updated potential numbers for next year's 16U group.

5) Ice Scheduler (Dave)

Garrick will finalize and post schedule for Spring Break week

6) Webmaster (Garrick)

7) AAHA/AZYHL Representative (Joth)

Summary from January 12th meeting:

- Suspensions to FYHA Bantam Travel players, coach and manager were presented by Bruce Urban, chair of Discipline Committee.
- Discussion of cross-ice requirements for 8U players. AAHA president and Mr. Urban had become aware of 8U full-ice scrimmages and games. Mr. Urban clarified the definition of scrimmage (no refs, clock, or scorekeeping). AAHA president (Tim Reckell) and Mr. Urban reminded BOD of USA Hockey guidelines for 8U age group that specifies no full ice games or "scrimmages." AAHA/AZYHL committed to USA Hockey guidelines on 8U development. Further violations may result in disciplinary action.

8) Coaching Coordinator (Billy)

Need to start process to identify travel team coaches for next year. Email will be sent out to Association and open coaching application process

9) Tournament Director (Bill and Joth)

Plans ready for MLK King of the Mountain event. Plans being finalized for Mite Jamborees

10) HS Avalanche Representative (Robert and Scott)

OLD BUSINESS:

1) Coach Certifications and Vendors

A potential goalie coach has offered services at a cost teams/association. The Board decided that:

1. Coaches in our Association are volunteers and introducing paid coaches creates a conflict.
2. If a coach wants to provide private coaching to players, the Board will work with the coach to

- identify ice times and may sell ice time at Association's ice cost.
3. Coaches need to be USA Hockey registered and would be preferred that coaches have CEP certification.
 4. FYHA does not permit private coaching during FYHA-sponsored ice times – practices, stick time, pond hockey

NEW BUSINESS:

1) Officials Update (Kyle Curtin)

Tabled until next meeting. Board agreed to discuss creation of Disciplinary Committee as defined in the By-Laws.

2) Summer Camps (Nick Karastamatis)

Nick presented on interest by Harry Mahood and Mahood NW Camps to host a summer camp in Flagstaff. Board approved opportunity for Nick to work with Mr. Mahood on proposal for summer camp(s) in Flagstaff.

3) Board Nominating Committee

Joth Jacobson will head nominating committee to identify candidates for Board elections. Committee to consist of 2 Board members and 3 members from Association. Committee formed by end of January. Nominees need to be identified by February 15th.

4) Equipment Rack (Ken)

Look at additional gear racks for cage

5) Spring Tryouts

Board approved plan to hold travel team tryouts in spring, likely in late April.

6) 16U/18U Development Plan (Bill Kuche, Kevin Tye, Brad King)

Kevin Tye, Bill Kuche, and Brad King presented on possibility of developing 16U and 18U Tier 2 travel teams within FYHA. After discussion and questions, the following motions were made:

1. Motion to create 16U/18U exploration committee – committee would consist of Bill Kuche, Kevin Tye, Mark Manone, Maria Saurer (Avalanche Board) and a TBD rep from the Flagstaff Avalanche association. The committee would develop a detailed proposal for 16U and 18U programs for the 2016/2017 season, including ice schedule, coaching needs, and costs. Bill Kuche motioned, Ken Brendel second, Board approved.
2. Motion to open applications for 16U and 18U Head Coaches. Applications would be opened for 2 weeks and then candidates considered. Motion by Bill Kuche, second by Ken Brendel, Board approved.
3. Tier Committee will present final proposal to prior to next Board meeting so that a final decision can be determined at the February BOD meeting.

SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING: February 23rd at 5:30pm @ Jay Lively

ADJOURNMENT: 8:00pm

