

## **WYSA Monthly Meeting**

**10/2/19**

### **Meeting Minutes**

**Attendees:** Brian Casey, Steve Rubman, Amy Blain, Kara Simoneau, Bill Welch, Ryan Burns, Jeff McGann, Andy Reed, Don Collins, Lindsay Rocca

Meeting called to order at 7:35 pm.

#### **Minutes:**

Motion made to approve minutes from 9/9/19. Motion passed.

Motion to approve exec meeting minutes from 9/9/19. Motion passed.

#### **Learn to Skate**

Discussed taking off the Sunday in between Christmas and New Year's Day for Learn to Skate.

Sports Engine is close to getting the website finalized.

#### **Picture Night:**

Schedule is built to allow for Brogen to get set up before roller hockey. Kara to double check with them to make sure.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday we have the Bauer and Dynamik reps attending but not on Friday, so some teams won't be able to see the gear. However, they can look online. Kara spoke with Mark, and he said we need to finalize what we want and then he can get the link up.

Hats, sweatshirt, scarves, blankets (if nice), pajama bottoms. He will give us 10% back.

For pictures Brogen wants kids to have skates on. Remind parents that they need to put skates on upstairs because there is no padding on the stairs. Kara to send communication to coaches before we blast it out. If you want sibling photos they have to come earlier. Also need to communicate how to choose pictures.

Mites – do not actually have a practice on Thursday the 17<sup>th</sup>. That is the night they are scheduled for pictures. Kara to rework schedule. Then will send to coaches before sending to the association. Thursday 5:45 (10/17) is Squirt 2 and 3. So Mite 1 and 2 need to move.

#### **Raffle Tickets**

Raffle tickets are due October 23.

#### **Middle School Registration:**

Eighth grade we have one skater registered.

Seventh – nine skaters no goalie – (Andy could have his son play goalie)

Sixth – eight skaters one goalie

Fifth – 22 skaters two goalies

As of now it would be teams for 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>, combine 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>.

Kevin needs to follow up with people who registered last year.

There is no 5<sup>th</sup> grade league so last year we split them up with 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders.

We need to get this posted at Galvin.

Registration should close Oct 4. But online it said Sep 29.

### **U8 Girls**

Will start October 26. Waiting to hear back from Allston Brighton to commit. TBD – Don won't send communications to families until we know for sure it's a go.

### **Ideas to Retain Skaters**

Allowing game-only at the older levels? It's not working well so far with Bantams. Bantam 1s has 11 skaters and two goalies. Three game-only players, conflicts that have come up with other sports, etc. Brian gets four to five 1s to show up for practice and he combines it with Bantam 2s. If Bantams move to Friday at 5:55 that would allow a lot more kids to come to practice due to other conflicts.

Will we offer game only again for 2020?

We should communicate better to the parents the caliber of our coaches. Add bios to Website.

Could we add ice time at this age level? If we wanted to charge more money, we could get extra sheets of ice.

Reading – Coaches and assistant coaches get a jacket. It is a boost for perception. Could we have the association buy jackets for the coaches?

Don will put something together regarding off ice training.

Skills is getting good feedback. Kids like it. They're getting more out of it.

Bantams aren't showing up for skills. More midgets than Bantams.

### **Home and Away Shirts**

Cost has been the issue in the past. We have to increase costs if we want to do home and away. It would come out to about another \$50 for players. We could do a survey to families to see if they'd be interested in paying additional fees for home and away jerseys?

Confirm with Gary if we did away shirts would we get a better price for next year? Lindsay to ask.

High school wears red with grey trim, and white with red and grey trim. Mirror this?

White as primary color with red numbers and names with black outline on names and numbers.

Dangle got us better prices for jerseys than Dynamik in the past. Find out if this is till the case. Dangle is \$38 per shirt and \$10 per sock.

### **Imites**

Games are this Sunday. Two new sign ups since the last month. Teams are 8, 8 and 8. They've had two practices, no skills, no games. First Skills next Monday.

### **Mites**

Mite 1s are 0-3, the 2s are 2-1, the 3s are 3-1, and the 4s are 2-1. 1s and 2s are planning on Hesseltine tournament over Thanksgiving. Mites 2, 3 and 4 will stay where they are with regards to parity, but Mite 1 will most likely move down.

### **Squirts**

1s and 2s will probably move down. Squirt 1s, older schedules got pulled into SE somehow. SE should have fixed it and it should all be accurate now.

### **Valley League**

Sat Feb 8 will be fundraiser, so plan games accordingly.

### **PeeWee**

3s won a game, 1s have been close, 2s are winning and happy. 3s could use an additional goalie. Possibly move up a Squirt 2 goalie who's not getting enough playing time. Discuss with Rick.

### **Bantams**

1s are 1 and 3 with 1 forfeit. One loss was very close. 2s are doing well.

### **Midgets**

Two midget teams. Both are 1-3. They're doing a lot of skills, practices on Friday nights.

### **Purchasing**

Bill ordered the pinnies we need for Imite and Mite 4. Otherwise done.

### **D10**

It's an automatic bench minor if there's banging or hitting of sticks for bantam and midgets. They will be enforcing this more this year.

### **Valley**

Process of reseeding for the next round. Haven't seen anything on registration. Jeff to reach out to ask about it.

### **No other business**

Next meeting is Tuesday 11/12. Move to 7:30?

Bill will try to do an equipment drive at the next skills night. Have Lisa send a blast separate from other communications.

Motion to adjourn at 9:30 pm