

October 21, 2010 EYHA Meeting

People present: Kristin Romick, Dean Bartlett, Deanna Cram, Rob Young, Matt Clark, Al Foice, Larry Hagerty, John Laliberte, Rebecca Stone, Carney Daniels, Pat Burke, Bruce Garrapy, Rob Sinkewicz

Visitors: Jesse Giummo, Jackie Palmer, Mark Mcdowell, Kristin Deatur, Steve Shultz, Dave Adams, Pat Theriault

Meeting began at 7:05

Peewee discussion: Currently 34 peewees signed up with the potential for 35. The decision needs to be 2 or 3 teams.

Dave Adams: in favor of 3

Jesse: in favor of 3 but if we go with 2...amend the ice time.

Pat: too many kids

Question about the survey:

The survey was mixed but favored 3 teams however not overwhelming...People put in a lot of thoughtful conversation.

The issue with smaller teams is if kids get hurt, sick, etc. there may not be enough kids.

ADM says that there should be 15 kids per team and that there should be two A teams. We need to be aware of that but that won't be the only decision.

There is a cost because we have to buy 17 more slots...the cost is there because when we did registration we only planned for 2 teams.

Issues:

Schedules...we will need to schedule for a third team. Schedulers meeting happened in August. So schedules are booked...

Coaches...Volume and quality

Ice...Ice time has to be arranged because we didn't plan for 3 teams

Goalies...

Tournaments can also be an issue...

Board discussion:

Motion was made to add a peewee team. The motion was seconded.

Conversation about A, AB and B team or A and two B teams.

Coaching experience needs to be shared across all 3 teams.

There will need to be a scheduler to help schedule the team

Comments from non-board members

You can juggle players around until December.

Vote: 12 yes 1 abstention

This is a yes with the understanding that we need help!

VSAHA: New criminal back ground check \$7 per coach...they will need to go through a VSAHA site...it gets sent to national registrar, that gets sent back to Deanna. This will also be the the fee for the locker room people. \$50 fine for VSAHA meeting no shows, No New England participation in Tier II PW Nationals, Locker room lifeguard

U12 and peewees can play 15 minute periods

Washington Capitals gift: Rebecca had a friend who got us a signed capitals jersey (signed from all the players). Rebecca would like a nice thank you...Have the kids sign an Essex jersey. The thank you notes needs to be sent right away. Dean will get the jersey.

Coaches

Numbers Update: New Bees at 65, John has 73...house is at 50.

Travel

20 cross ice

40 squirts

34 peewees

26 bantam

u14 12

u12 21

Financials: See Rebecca's report

Grant through USA Hockey: Pat will read fine print and make sure its worth it.

November 6th: Try hockey for free day.

Action items:

*Mark McDowell said that he would help with scheduling

*Potentially Ron Lessard will help with scheduling as well

Regular session ended at 9:15. The board entered executive session.