



Minutes -	EYHA Board Meeting	
		August 18, 2011

Attendees:	<p>Board Members: Steve Schultz, Darlene Remlin, Bruce Garrapy, Matt Clark, Charlie Barwin, John Liliberte, Dan Forcier, Laura Pearce, Pat Burke</p> <p>Other Attendees: Will Gonyeau</p> <p>Missing Members: John Maddalena, Al Foice, Rob Young, Carney Daniels, Larry Hagerty</p>
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Notes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting called to order at 7:05pm. • Minutes from July were not available for approval. Will be addressed in next session. • Open discussion from visitors: Steve welcomed visitor's opportunity to provide input. No visitor additions to agenda. • Registration: Dan Forcier provided registration update. Noted house/novice registrations were down, but may be too early to tell if this was meaningful. Pre-season Midget registration was also down over last year. Wolfie will call the potential Midget players to confirm their plans to play this year. Charlie will provide Wolfie with list and contact information. • Discussion: How to better communicate the open registration process. Notice was placed in the Burlington Free Press. Need to get a notice in Essex Reporter. Steve and Pat will close on getting notice in Essex Reporter. • Fund Raising: Laura Pearce provided fundraising coordinator update. Discussed golf flyer and volunteers. Flyer ready pending a font color update. Will mail and post when updated. Steve noted reports based on parent volunteer selections can be accessed from the web site. Reminded board that they needed to get donated gifts for golf outing. Laura circulated list of board members who have volunteered to approach local businesses for sponsorship. • Midgets: Charlie Barwin proposed scheduling preseason games for the Midgets. Five weeks of preseason to schedule 4 home and 4 away games per team. This would increase the cost of the program for the weekend ice and officiating cost. Charlie presented a proposal to assess a \$75 fee (in addition to the \$100) to cover the cost based on an assumption of two midget preseason teams. • Motion Passed: all yeas, no neas. • Game Period Proposal: Pat Burke proposed changes to assumed game periods. Pat proposed that EYHA home games try to closely follow the USA hockey guidelines where possible within limits of ice time scheduled. Proposed: <table style="margin-left: 20px; border: none;"> <tr> <td>Squirts</td> <td>12 minute periods</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Peewees</td> <td>15 minute periods</td> </tr> </table> 	Squirts	12 minute periods	Peewees	15 minute periods
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 Motion Passed: all yeas, no neas.

- **Warm Ups for Travel:** Pat is trying to organize a warm up session (~1hr), possibly on the 22nd for Squirts/Peewees/Bantams. Pat also stated we need a tryout schedule. Steve emphasized that we need a post try-out roll out plan for coaches and players. Pat will create a tryout schedule and work with Doc to try to assemble a roll out plan.
- Discussion on how to handle kids who missed tryouts for non-injury related events. In order to be fair to all, players unable to make tryouts would be assigned to the B team. Also discussed was what would happen if kids missed one or two days of the three day tryout. Communicate that it will prevent the folks assessing the player's adequate ability to rate their skills, resulting in a less fair assessment. Simply put it can only hurt you to miss if you are "on the bubble".
- **Jay Peak:** Pat noted that he is still in negotiations with Jay Peak regarding costs – original contract did not include both ice time and facility expenses. Response from membership was positive about event with some good comments about details. Results of survey are posted on website. Pat and Steve to follow-up for board decision at next meeting.
- **Bring a Friend to Skate:** Pat volunteered to run the 'Bring a Friend to Skate" night. Confirm a one time IMR for insurance.
- **X- Ice Mites:** Matt mentioned that he needs two full sets of bumper pads for x-mites based on strong enrollment. One set on-hand currently. Steve will look into acquisition.
- **President's comments:** Steve showed an Affinity Membership Program from a Bank as a potential fundraiser for the organization. There was concern that EYHA would not have enough support to make it worthwhile. Will hold proposal on back burner for now.
- General Meeting Adjourned at 9:35pm
- Executive Session was held to discuss player behavior / disciplinary issues.

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