

NCYHA BOARD MEETING MINUTES 12/2/13

6:30 at Scot West's Office (Ronstan) in Portsmouth



Attendees:

Board Members: Kevin Sullivan, Jen Lopes, Frank Toner, Brad Read, Jim Maguire, Todd Clark, Paul Grimes, Dan O'Connor, John Stahl

Advisory Group Members: Kristin Browne, Scot West

Old Business

Approval of Meeting Minutes from 11/4/13 – Kevin

- Approved.

Christmas Tournament Update – Todd

- Tournament full, only a couple of RI teams
- Frank setting up the preliminary schedule.
- T Shirts – need rosters for Newport Kids.
- Trophies ordered.
- Need to get schedules to Kevin for posters.
- Baskets all set.
- Online scoring – Frank
- Game sheets – Jen setting them up.
- Angelo Grilli offering to supply jewelry for a jewelry table.
- Mix championships between the Abbey and SG.
- Rink Managers – will send sheet around. Need card with cell numbers so that rink managers can update score sheets.

High School kids timing and scoring -

- Yes, can do that.
- One doing scoring/timing or two splitting the jobs?
- Peewees/Squirts/Mites – can do it with one, Bantams go with two.
- Paid \$10 or community service.
- If two per game at \$10 each – 82 games, would be \$1640 for the tournament.
- Need a parent who is in charge of the kids doing the clock.
- What is the process? One person to organize.
- Jen Lopes to organize the timer/scorers.

Mites at the Abbey –

- No ref's needed, somebody will score with flip scoreboard.
- Nets – 4 at Abbey, need 2 more to run 3 games at once.
- Locker Rooms – Mites will have to come dressed. 6 teams on ice at once. Send email blast to set expectations. 6 and 4 teams in the two divisions, so 10 teams there during cross-over.

MDP Update? – Scot

- Have 6 sets of goalie gear now – 3 new sets. Travel teams had them.
- Program rolling along.
- Dan promoting 8 players from LTS– so some shifts needed to teams.
- Will have 81 kids with those added. Numbers will be even with last year, even though there is a Mite A team this year. Nice!

House League Update

- Going well this year
- Brad helped with Bantam/Midgets – station practices.
- Many from that group tried out for Bantam second season – could drop numbers.
- If someone plays second season travel, does that change the price of house league for them?

Equipment – Kevin, Jen

- Travel jersey's – Kevin talked to Chris at Hockey Tron.
- We will collect the jerseys after the season, will have silkscreened patches stitched on the front. Screen printer was not heated up enough.
- What to do with kids coming into Bantams for second season who don't have jerseys? We don't have all the extra jerseys that were ordered. Around 8 kids coming up.
- First games will be at the Christmas tournament. Need more jerseys by then.
- Socks are falling apart. Don't fit well. Sizes wrong – too big.

Request from Middletown Town Council – Kevin

- Andy Leys is our representative for the Rec. Facilities Master Plan Advisory Group.

Scheduler Position for Next Year – Kevin, All

- Advertise for the position, but will that work? New scheduler could be working with Jim now to get the hang of it.
- If we're starting from scratch, start with advertising it as a volunteer position.
- If nothing comes through, consider advertising in January with some reimbursement. Use free tuition as reimbursement?
- Post it now - just advertise the scheduler position, until December 15th.
- Kevin to email the head coaches and the league.

Other Board Positions Changing Next Year – Kevin

- Kevin stepping down after this year - at annual meeting in May.
- Board can nominate the next president to take over since this will be mid-term.
- Come back to next meeting with potential candidates
- Vice President, Travel Registrar, Travel Program Director, Secretary, Scheduler, Member at Large all up for election. Travel Program Director, Secretary, Scheduler are retiring after this term.

Advisory Board – Paul

- Notice for website asks for volunteers, mentions board positions as well.
- Barbara Klassner is filling the Assistant Tournament Director position now and should be on the advisory board.
- Notice should go out one week from today after Kevin's note about the scheduler position.

New Business**Attendance at Goalie Clinics – Kevin**

- Light attendance at last session- especially for older kids. Brad's goalies were at his Bantam practice before playoffs. Also lost Midget goalies for the last one.
- Attendance should be better for next session. Sessions are expensive.
- Third session booked for 12/9. Should have lots of younger kids next time. Younger kids get more out of it.
- Divisions – Bantam/Midget and better Peewee goalies in upper. Younger kids in lower.
- Do one more set of clinics 12/9. Decide on final session after that.

Springfield Review - Kevin

- Hotel was tough on knee hockey. Ask for a knee hockey room next year?
- Teams were spread all over – mixed in with dog show group.
- Security was a little strong.
- Kids were up and around very late.

Bantam Second Season Tryouts & Potential Levels – Kevin

- Newport teams at what levels – one A and two B teams? Concerns about level of play.
- State considering 3 levels of Bantams for 2nd season.
- State needs to know whether to do A, B or A, B, C and how many teams we would enter.
- We have three teams – 12, 13, 13 and 6 goalies. What if we lose players?
- It's unlikely there would be 3 levels in Bantams - only 6 teams at the C level in the first half of the season.
- Newport wants A and 2 B's. We do not want a C team if there are cross-over games between B and C teams. If there are no cross-overs, and the league wants A,B,C levels, Kevin can email the board for consideration.
- Christmas tournament – only two Newport Bantam teams in the draw - one A, one B.

RI Hockey Update - Kevin

- SRI Squirt A2 team issue? They played Newport Squirt A's and lost 4-1. Still blowing out teams at the A2 level.

Apparel - Kevin

- Team One – printing things without an agreement, logo not being reproduced correctly.
- Our online apparel company is adding more products. Site requires PayPal to pay, should allow regular credit card transactions.
- We made an agreement with the online company.
- Kevin to tell Martha to stop. Fill current orders and take the site down.
- Deal with it now? Yes.

Next Board Meeting Date/Time/Place – Paul

- Monday, Jan. 6th?