

**November 7, 2011**

Dover Youth Hockey Association Board of Directors

MINUTES

Open Meeting:

1. Call to Order
2. Members present:
  - a. Dave Middleton, BoD
  - b. Cheryl Sullivan
  - c. Stacie Constas
  - d. Tim Broadrick
  - e. John Kelly
  - f. Peter Kielty
  - g. Dan Coffey
  - h. Ellen Barton
  - i.
  - j.
  - k.
  - l. Dennis Pease, Director of Hockey Operations
3. Members' Comments – *None*
4. Reports
  - a. President – Dave Middleton (report attached)
    - i. LEVEL REPS, please act quickly on any issues that come to you via email for your level... unresponsiveness has been some members' pet peeve about DYHA... we need to try to do better at getting back to people when they raise issues or ask questions.
    - ii. NHAHA will be looking at possible changes to Mite format for next season.
  - b. Secretary – Tim Broadrick
    - i. Minutes of previous meeting(s)
      1. October 3 minutes were approved at Oct. 24 meeting
      2. Oct. 24 minutes will be presented at next board meeting, along with minutes from tonight's meeting
  - c. Treasurer – Stacie Constas (report attached)
    - i. Monthly report – attached
      1. Stacie explained how the Operations checking and savings accounts work, and what the intention is behind Operations Reserves, Fundraising and Scholarship line items
        - a. Tim asked if an open receivables line item could be added to the first page with the other asset accounts – Stacie agreed
        - b. House statements to be prepared in next week or so
        - c. Peter brought up the possibility of partnering with the Moose on a promotion to fundraise specifically for player scholarships
          - i. We will ask Melanie Walsh to look into this, and to see if we can recruit other volunteers to take responsibility for scholarship fundraising

- ii. We also need help writing grant proposals for Mitey Boards and/or other capital projects
  - 2. Report approved unanimously, 8-0, Tim moved, Dan seconded
- d. Director of Hockey Ops/Scheduling report – Dennis Pease
  - i. As of this morning, Bantam Minor and Bantam select teams both have been moved down tiers by the GSL/NHAHA... Dennis will begin rescheduling their seasons immediately
  - ii. Girls’ Festival tryouts and both NH and ME Bys’ Festival tryouts have been scheduled... ME holds its boys’ tryouts on weekends in January. We do not accommodate these schedules in our game schedule – our ice is already bought and paid for. If players choose to miss games for festival tryouts that is between them and their coaches.
- e. Referee in Chief report –Ty Morin (absent)
  - i. Need to set up a meeting for younger referees and work out scheduling for house league games
    - 1. If Ty is not going to participate, can we ask Fred to do this?
      - a. Dave Middleton will help manage the process of establishing a development chain for young referees.
- f. Coach Development Report – Peter Kielty (report attached)
  - i. Mid-season coach evaluation
    - 1. Must begin immediately
  - ii. Player evaluation
    - 1. Should take the following form: early-season, mid-season, and end-of-season... coaches must do initial player evaluation, and share those evaluations with the players/parents, as soon as possible. Peter will communicate a format to coaches.
  - iii. Andy Middaugh is working with Stuart Frye on goalie skills
  - iv. Peter is working with John Kelly to keep his list of coaching certifications updated
- g. Player Development Report – Dan Coffey
  - i. Status of “Optional Skills” schedule with Leach Brothers
    - 1. Schedule is posted on teams’ schedules
  - ii. Friday night “ADM ice”... we will start turning one hour back to the Mini and Mite house practices (90 minutes each), then run the ADM program for 2 hours
  - iii. NHAHA progressive checking clinic in Tilton, NH
  - iv. Possible uses for “Holiday Break” ice?
    - 1. House jamboree during New Year’s weekend
      - a. Minis, Mites, Squirts & U15s
      - b. Invite Laconia, back Bay, Rochester, Oyster River, Biddeford
      - c. Friday night, Saturday morning, Sunday LATE morning
    - 2. Mite Select jamboree also during same time period
      - a. Saturday afternoon
- h. Team Manager Coordinator – Michelle Launsby
  - i. No report
- i. NHAHA report – Dave Middleton (report attached)
  - i. Delivered with President’s report

- j. Seacoast League report – Cheryl Sullivan
  - i. Nothing to report
  
- k. IJYHL report – Dennis Pease
  - i. The North Shore Raiders are now known as “Raider Hockey” – Mario is the new owner
  - ii. Game score reporting – the WINNING team must report scores by 10:00 p.m. Sunday or they will forfeit the game. HOME teams report ties.
  - iii. New game sheets are being developed and printed for IJYHL games... they will be mailed to Mike Bonish
  - iv. If there are any game misconducts in IJYHL games,
  - v. Boston Stars will be hosting 99, 00, 01 and 02 tournament including teams from Russia during March 23-April 1.. cost to be under \$1000
  - vi. League expansion next year – the league is looking to have two divisions (North and South), with about seven organizations in each
  
- l. Middlesex League report –
  - i. Nothing to report
  
- m. Level Reports:
  - i. Midget – Cheryl Sullivan
    - 1. Major Ones to play in tier one state championships in Manchester this weekend
  - ii. Girls – Lee Ann Allaire
    - 1. No report
  - iii. Bantam – Cheryl Sullivan
    - 1. Both teams moving down tiers (see President’s report)
  - iv. Pee Wee – Melanie Walsh
    - 1. Should Pee Wee Major team join Seacoast League to bring its game count into line?
      - a. Peter Kielty spoke to this issue... no board action required yet, pending GSL decisions about tier movement expected soon.
    - 2. Can we support a 99 player joining the Pee Wee Minor (2000) team for GSL games?
      - a. No policy decision or vote was taken, but the board decided to informally advise Melanie (absent tonight) that we are not generally in favor of this... she will work with coach.
  - v. Squirt – John Kelly
    - 1. Nothing to report
  - vi. Mite – Melanie Walsh
    - 1. Mite Selects are going to a jamboree in Biddeford
  
- n. House League – Tim Broadrick (report attached)
  - i. Should house league coaches be patched?
    - 1. Tim will look into USAHockey regulations
  
- o. Program committee – Eric Post
  - i. No report
  
- p. Fundraising committee – Melanie Walsh
  - i. Collins

1. Per Stacie, Melanie is waiting for Collins to confirm next online store opening date
- q. Bylaw Review committee – Tim Broadrick
  - i. Next meeting still pending
  - ii. Proposal to change fiscal year will come up at next meeting
- r. Finance and Audit committee – Stacie Constas
  - i. FY12 budget proposed last board meeting
  - ii. First committee meeting still pending
5. Old Business
  - a. Helmet stickers – logo and jersey numbers
    - i. See Oct. 3 meeting minutes addendum
  - b. Coaches' jacket reimbursement
    - i. Already approved
  - c. Other recent decisions – have they been communicated to members? How?
6. New Business
  - a. High School fundraising requests
    - i. Somersworth, Marshwood, Noble-Wells and Dover have requested sponsorship donations from DYHA
      1. All except Dover charge user fees
      2. Somersworth requires parent/player fundraising up to around \$750 value
      3. Marshwood charges \$750
      4. Noble-Wells charges between \$550 and \$750
      5. Tim moved that we donate \$100 to Dover and \$150 each to Somersworth, Marshwood and Noble-Wells, second by Cheryl, passed by unanimous vote, 8-0.
  - b. Scholarship and hardship policy proposal
    - i. Tim moved that we form a Scholarship Committee to take Stacie's proposal and develop it into a system for scholarship fundraising, selection criteria, second by Dan, passed by unanimous vote, 8-0.
      1. Dave will form the Scholarship Committee and name a chairperson.
7. Adjournment
8. Executive Session if necessary