

HDC Meeting Minutes 3/14/2016

Members Present: Kurt Knott, Tom Kuesel, Neil Huewe, Jeremy Fayette,

Members Absent: Wade Chiodo, Corey Rupp, Tony Mannassua

Guests: Jeff Loewe, Jason Brodina, Carrie Fish

Meeting Called to order 6:35

Squirt B/C: Carrie Fish spoke to the committee about our decision to go squirt b/c teams and not equal B teams. The C team was 13-16 this season. Due to our location and lack of teams in the area they ended up playing some B teams. Neil tried to find the best possible competition for them to play and for the most part it was a competitive schedule. However some games were not competitive. Neal will do his best next season to find similar skilled teams to compete against. The HDC stands by our decision to go b/c teams when we only have 3 teams at squirts. Carrie urged us to consider equal B teams.

Team projections for next season: Next year we are predicting the following number of teams at each level: Bantam ~2, Peewee ~ 4, Squirt ~3, mites/termites 140 kids (girls/8u included TBD). However this was just an estimate based on the information we have at this time and the numbers could change.

Off-ice program: Most coaches reported the off-ice training went well this season and coaches saw improvements in strength/speed throughout season. The only question is at the squirt level. Kids are fairly young at that age and get out of it what they put into it. More discussion to follow on off-ice for next season.

Power Skating / Skills next season: We will continue with skill nights next season and also with the weekly power skating session. The only difference is the squirts/10U will be split into two groups and have 45 minute sessions vs 1 hour with all the kids on the ice. Even though they have less time on the ice they will get more reps per player due to less kids in line.

Year End Coaches Debriefing: Tom will send an email to all coaches as a follow to the season to see areas where our program needs improvement.

Hard Dividers: They will be stored at BCA over summer months and then transferred over to the City Rink prior to the start of next season.

Meeting adjourned 7:50

Respectfully submitted: Knott