

Casco Bay Hockey Board Meeting

May 15, 2017 6:00 PM

I. **2017-2018 Board of Directors** – introductions of all in attendance with quick description of role each person would play. The Board for the 2017-2018 was unanimously voted/approved (15 for, 0 opposed) and reflects the following roles:

President (EC)	Eric Turgeon
House Director, V.P. (EC) / Peewee-Bantam House Division Manager	Scott Rousseau
Travel Director, V.P. (EC)	Matt Goodrich
Girls Director, V.P. (EC)	Scott Matusovich
Coaching Director (EC)	Glenn Jonsson
Treasurer (A) (EC)	Sarah Kramlich
Webmaster / Scheduling Director, V.P. (EC)	Rachel Pargeter
Scheduling Assistant	Ronnie Lamontagne
Registrar (A)	Melissa Riley
ACE	Jason Cyr - ABSENT
Equipment (A) / Midget House Manager	Tom Clifford
Marketing / Social Media Director	Nikki Doyle
Tournament Director	Caitlin Jordan - ABSENT
TA Director, Secretary	Meg Swift
Casco Bay Academy	Heather Geoghan
Mite Division Manager	Bryan Cheever
Squirt House Division Manager	Tim Hebert

- i. Board will meet 6pm on the first Monday of each month. Decision made to hold meetings at 6 Fundy Rd in Falmouth.
- ii. Email addresses MEAHA recommends creating specific emails (eg president@cbha.org). Rachel will work on creating all of these with the appropriate title for each person. Will help ensure that the correct person is contacted. These emails can be forwarded to your personal email.
- iii. Departing gifts in the past plaques have been made and given to outgoing members at the Annual Meeting. This was not done for the 2016-2017. Plaques will be ordered from trophy warehouse (Nancy@trophywarehouse.com) for Chris Kennedy, Amanda Woodford, Shawn Damon, Stephanie Haskins, Rich Lappin, and Chris Prinn. Plan is to present these plaques at the CBA Opening in October and invite these people back.

II. Tournaments

- Tournament Committee will assist in planning and execution of tournaments.
 Division Directors will play appropriate role in each tournament with the Committee helping to handle all logistics. CBHA will be hosting state travel tournaments this year.
- ii. Would like to host a travel tournament but not sure if there is time. Discussion of when the best timing Thanksgiving, MLK. Scott M plans to do another girls tournament over President's Day and hopes to have the families of the team run it as was done very successfully last year. Scott cautioned others that a lot of work recruiting out of state teams needs to happen now in order to get the interest.
- iii. One idea was more of a jamboree rather than a tournament where we set aside day/weekend, with each division bringing in 2-3 teams for a jamboree.
- iv. Discussed the opening of CBA (last weekend of October?) idea for this year to have the weekend jamboree to honor Nolan. Could make it a weekend or do a few games on Fri night. Might make it the Nolan Cyr day, have a raffle, bake sale, hot dogs also. Question of whether this is a fundraiser or an awareness building event to be determined.
- v. Executive Committee Eric, Sarah, Glenn, Rachel, Scott M, Scott R, Matt. EC would meet in between board meetings if something were critical and needed to get business moved forward. EC has authority to make decisions on behalf of entire board. EC reports back to full Board at the next meeting. EC can also include disciplinary issues. John Veilleux reminded people of the existence of a rules and disciplinary committee. Good to have lawyers. John will ask 3-4 people to join him: Tom Weaterhby, Tom Marjerson, Dave Barry (Fran Norris if necessary, but not ideal as he has son in league).

III. 2017-2018 Budget

i. Sarah discussed how she arrives at the costs using last year's actuals as a base. Currently 850 players, discussion of the costs by line item for income and expenses. Discussion of where price increases should happen given increased cost of ice and other administrative costs. A few notes in the budget:

- ii. CBA cards will no longer be used (old ones can continue to be used for sharpening). Pond ice on snow days and vacations will be free for all families.
- iii. Scholarship is separate fund doesn't count as income. \$2,500-\$3,00/year. Independent lawyer evaluates this and makes determination and puts families in particular categories of total need. Never free ride. 20-25 families a year getting \$250-300/year. In past years families have worked off fee by keeping score, as another scholarship as we host more tournaments this may be an option again.
- iv. Grant from MEAHA for Boards need to order the boards and then submit receipts. Boards will be kept at FIC challenge of where the Mites are playing this year and may need to tweak schedule to accommodate this. Will check with NYA to see if boards can be kept there.
- v. Concern that increasing costs of T4 Peewees and Bantams while keeping LTP, BTI and Mites lower may be a bad decision given the major scheduling problems that had the greatest impact on Peewees and Bantams in 2016-2017. Various discussions about how to cut costs take jerseys out of tuition, get corporate sponsors. Have we lowered costs too much for younger players. In the past organizational philosophy has been you pay to play. Some tweaks done to budget based on discussion raise Mites slightly from proposed (still lower than last year) to keep the older T4 teams down a bit. Budget was approved.

IV. 2017-2018 Ice Scheduling

- i. Rachel discussed the structure and plan for ice scheduling. Ronnie will be helping out and ideally will take over at middle/end of season to allow Rachel to focus on webmaster (both Rachel and Ronnie can do either role ultimately so plan is to train Ronnie in both). Ronnie will maintain DB, Rachel helps with uploads. Increase response times. Don't want to lose ice the way we did last year. Ice summit captured all the total ice times. Division directors will do more of the scheduling. There will be better checks and balances with 2 Board members involved. Division Directors will schedule MEAHA games in August. All Midget travel is at NYA so we use our minimum requirement at NYA. Will also have new CBA 5:30 time on weeknights.
- ii. Software suggesting buy a license for scheduling software. Cheapest that integrates with NGIN is \$470/year, based in Minnesota. Viewable on a calendar, downloadable, don't need to re-do filters each time. Allows reports to be run with a variety of data. Only 1 user at this point, not web-based (that would be \$3K). Feeds NGIN. Back-up in google or dropbox. Purchasing this software was approved.

V. MEAHA Report

i. New Policies being discussed – 1) new non-league policy – players need written permission from organization to participate in other leagues. No different than the past, but formalizing it. We can make policy for CBHA that you can be part of tournament teams as long as they don't interfere with commitment to CBHA.

2) No more EP for Mites, but now there is concern about how they teach prepare mites for full ice hockey. So maybe they make rule that no 9 year olds play Squirt travel, or no squirt travel in MEAHA. They are making a committee. Want CBHA participation on MEAHA.

VI. Summer-Fall Board/CBHA Activities

- i. CBHA 5k fundraiser season kick-off (Nikki)
 - a. Sept 23rd with All-Sport, waiting to hear back from Falmouth. T-shirts with corporations, hoping for 20 corporations. Also kids run. Will have concessions, raffle.
- ii. Other marketing/fundraising efforts? calendar/raffle can be done if DD falls through. (raised \$45K 2 years ago).
- VII. **Open discussion** Brian...fundraiser for Nolan FIC June 10th organized by CBHA Wild families. They have requested some raffle items from CBHA and agreement for one house tuition and CBA will donate a session of street hockey or ice hockey. Other possibilities include paint the ice at CBA Fight Like a Cyr. Sticker/patch Fight Like a Cyr.

VIII. Meeting Adjourned at 8:50