

Minutes
Board of Directors Meeting
Littleton Hockey Association
April 12, 2017 @ 7:15p.m. Hodson's in
Littleton

Board Attendance:

Darren Walsh, George Stieduhar, Dave Gwinn, Phil Heinrich, Chris Foy, Scott Simon

Also in attendance: Brian TenEyck, Beth Lindemann, Ashley Hunt

Absent: Dede Cox

A traditional meeting of the Board of Directors of Littleton Hockey Association was held on April 12, 2017 at Hodson's restaurant in Littleton, CO. Darren Walsh, President, was present and presided. George Stieduhar took minutes of the meeting.

- I. **Call to order** – Darren Walsh, President called the meeting to order at 7:25 PM.
- II. **Approval of minutes from last meeting and off scheduled votes:**
 - March minutes – Motion to approve by Phil Heinrich, seconded by Scott Simon and approved.
- III. **Reports of Standing Committees:**
 - **Fundraising** – Ashley Hunt – Avalanche have new people for us to work with. Avalanche “Team membership program”. Teams can now get rebate, not individual season ticket holders. Currently the refund comes well after season to season ticket holders and Scott refunds the individual families sufficiently. Families should be offered the option to “donate” their refund to the LHA scholarship fund.
 - DU has a new contact for program sales/ticket sales manager (Trent) to work with. They consider LHA the premier association to work with being we volunteer a lot.
 - 2017/2018 sponsors: Need to figure out a tiering system for sponsors. Chris and Dave will sit in on those discussions. Ashley would like to meet and decide by the end of May. Jerseys are typically ordered by the end of July.
 - BBQ/picnic. Beth and Ashley met and concluded a BBQ would be the best option to replace the golf tournament as a fundraiser and season preparation party for the members. Suggested a park in Highlands Ranch or Littleton with food trucks rather than at South Suburban Ice Arena.
 - **Tournaments** – Brian TenEyck
 - Waiting on a few commission checks from participating hotels.
 - **Volunteer Coordinator** – Kristi Stieduhar – None
 - **Discipline** – No Report
 - **Scholarship Update** – No Report
 - **Policy, Handbook, and Bylaw Review** – Need to have this done by the next board meeting, and sent to the board prior to the meeting for review. George Stieduhar and Chris Foy will participate.
 - **Overview of Safesport Manual** – No update.

- **Thunderbirds Update** - No update.

V. **Report of LHA Hockey Director** - Brian TenEyck

- Brian had issues with the web calendar and posting spring schedules, but Phil Heinrich fixed it on April 12, 2017.
- Spring Program: 3 Squirt, 2 PeeWee, 3 Bantam teams.
- Need to apply to Central States league (CSDHL) BY April 14, 2017. CSDHL wants a Bantam team from Littleton to join the league. There are 4-5 trips to Chicago and St. Louis for this league. Question to the board: Are we comfortable allowing our Bantam AA team play in the league? They (CSDHL) want to have two to three out of state exhibition weekends. Chris Foy made a motion to allow Bantam AA to join CSDHL. Phil seconded, unanimous approval.
- Girls program. Colorado Select is extremely concerned regarding the LHA/Thunderbird girls program. For LHA, Eric Mayhew will be coaching and heading up the girl's developmental program. A 19AA coach will be coming to coach the girls as well. LHA will have a 14AA team and 19AA. We will construct a tournament team as well for occasions in the season. LHA will be putting on some "try hockey for free" skates this summer. The Thunderbirds will handle all the AAA girl's programs. For our summer program, Brooke Ahbe will be helping.
- CAHA decided against bringing back the Federation Cup. CAHA also voted against combining the CCYHL and the CDYHL because of the travel requirements.
- CCYHL recently met regarding what to do about the influx and creation of AAA programs in the state. There is an abundance of AAA Pee Wee programs, however they are not Tier 1 teams. Last year, LHA lost over thirty players to "AAA" associations.
- New Jerseys. Brian would like to go to a purchase program for jerseys rather than the rental programs we've been doing since 2010. LHA typically spends approximately \$20,000.00 in replacement jerseys. Two jerseys at \$60.00/each, breeze covers for \$30.00, two pair of socks at \$30.00/each and helmet stickers for a total of \$210.00. If a bag is purchased, it would total \$272.00 (\$62.00 for a bag).

VI.

Reports of Officers:

- President – Darren Walsh** – Darren's question to the board: Should it be a board decision regarding the supplier of Littleton practice jerseys, pucks, team sales, etc.? It was unanimously decided that those discretions and decisions will stay under the responsibility of Brian TenEyck.
- WE AS A BOARD WILL NOT MEET IN JUNE 2017 FOR A BOARD MEETING.**
 - Annual meeting date - August 13th as a target date for meeting at 4:00 PM at the Marriott.
 - President's position – We will hopefully have information by next meeting.
- Vice President** – George Stieduhar – George has been working with the Ice Ranch and Speedpro regarding the wrap on the new Zamboni at the Ice Ranch. The machine has been delivered and the wrap has been designed and should be installed by May 1, 2017.
 - **Treasurer** – Scott Simon – The Ice Ranch contract still needs to be submitted. We have one more month of ice costs from South Suburban, and is also currently working of depreciation figures. P&L should be about the same as 2015. Brian stated we are still owed money from CAHA. At next month's meeting, Scott will inform the board about our insurance coverage.
- Secretary – Dede Cox** – Absent
- Director of Coaching and Player Development – Chris Foy** – No Report
- Director of Membership & Community Affairs – Phil Heinrich** –

- Phil has received call from Dr. McWharter again. Brian and Phil are meeting with Children's Hospital on Friday April 14th regarding concussions. They will provide a report to the board at the May board meeting. Phil and Brian may meet regarding updating the website.

g) Director of Hockey Operations – Dave Gwinn no report.

VII. SLATS ARE BEING REINSTALLED ON THE TREADMILL BY PHIL JIMINEZ.

- **Report of Registrar: Beth Lindemann** – Wants to purchase binders and fill them with all the documents needed and hand them out at manager's meetings next year.

VIII. **Old Business:** None

IX. **New Business:**

- Schedule next BOD Meeting – Monday, MAY 8, 2017 at 6:30 PM. Location: Hodson's

VIV: **Adjournment: 10:18PM**

____ (*electronic signature*)

Signature of Secretary

date corrected: _____

Executive Session