

LRYHA Meeting Minutes

December 11, 2018 / 6:00pm

Merrill Fay Arena

Attendance: Jen McGreevy, Rich Ellis, Charlie Gallagher, Jim Girard, Lyndi Girard, Joe Spicuzza

Members: Jyoti Hall, Mike Zegarelli, Wayne Thayer

Call to order at 6:04pm

OLD BUSINESS

Vacancies

Rich will be sending out a general email detailing vacancies for 2019-2020.

NEW BUSINESS

Pond Hockey Bob House

The purchase of a trailer fell through and other options were discussed including borrowing a bobhouse, building a new one, and a fishing hut. A plan needs to be in place for the next meeting.

TO DO – Board Plan for pond hockey bob house

Goalie Training Update

Heather has paid the training but needs an invoice which Jen will work on to submit to NHAHA for the grant. A concern was expressed regarding the time slot for training.

TO DO – Jen Obtain invoice for goalie training

Tryouts & Closing Ceremonies

Joe will follow through with Will regarding the following:

- March 11 & 12 – move up practice week March 14 – TBD regular practice
- March 18 & 19 – tryouts (3rd night March 20 or 21)
- March 22 – closing ceremonies

Valley League team will still be practicing

Rosters will be ratified the last night of tryouts – there will be no regular board meeting

TO DO – Joe Confirm tryout dates and closing ceremony with Will

Bantam Numbers

Currently there are 14 eligible players. Jen will contact players (5-6 families) who made alternate plans for 2018-2019.

TO DO – Jen Reach out to other Bantam families

Meeting with Andrew Trimble

Items to discuss regarding the structure of the process include:

- Lakers players as alternates for Wolves? Vice versa?
- Split season is hard to structure

- Begin to determine long term big picture – not just this year’s plan
- PeeWee players not eligible for Wolves?
- Second year Bantams are fair game but perhaps only a percentage of first year Bantams?

Charlie added that perhaps we could create a bigger pool of players with minors as first year Bantams and majors as second year.

Head Coaches with no kids in the program

We currently have 3 individuals volunteering as head coaches who do not have children in the program and therefore, do not receive any discounts. Suggestions were made to offer some gesture of thanks such as a gift certificate.

UPDATES

Treasurer

Heather reported that the casino raised \$4,500 (budgeted \$5,000) and the calendars raised \$9,775 (budgeted \$10,000). PJ has uploaded to Quickbooks Cloud and Heather has been able to access it. It will be an easy transfer to the next treasurer and is costing us \$180/year.

Merrill Fay Arena will host tournaments for U14’s and U12’s with Heather helping with the money for staff and referees.

Heather suggested we evaluate fundraisers and sponsorships to be sure we are getting the biggest bang for our buck.

ACE Coordinator / Assistant ACE Coordinator

Charlie reported that Bill leaves in February and needs help with four practices. Jason Parent may be able to help but needs USA hockey certificate. Mike Zigarelli will help with practices but we need to look at the game schedule.

The Learn to Skate group is young and attendance may be tapering off due to basketball starting. We appear to be retaining a good number of them. Lynn is looking into gifts.

We may change practices for mini mites a bit and add more fun stuff in addition to ADM.

Mike will be at the Wolves game on Sunday December 16 when the Minis and Mites skate at intermission.

TO DO – Lynn **gifts for Learn to Skate**

VP

Joe will talk to Will regarding try out dates. Mites and Squirts on Monday and Tuesday with PeeWees and Bantams on Wednesday.

Trimble nights are valuable but have less attendance. Perhaps coaches can reinforce the importance and/or get players feedback.

Tournament options were shared for Mite 1’s:

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| • AAA (4 games) | February 15-18 | \$1200.00 | full ice |
| • Ice Out (3 games) | April 5-7 Hooksett | \$ 875.00 | full ice |
| • Spring Classic (run by parents) | March 22-24 | | |

Joe has four more games to schedule. Still working with Dover & Valley League for PeeWees.

League Rep

Via email John shared that grants will not be awarded to teams who are non-compliant. Jen will follow up questioning why other sanctions are not being imposed. The Lakers have gone to great lengths to comply and the rules keep changing.

TO DO – Jen Correspondence regarding full ice Mites

Sponsorship Coordinator

Banners should be moved to the rafters next year. Wondering if we can receive help from the Children's Auction to cover some scholarships.

Event Coordinator

Equipment Manager

Plans to distribute apparel this Friday at the rink.

Skaters in the Big Moose Tournament can use Lakers jerseys although play is not Laker sanctioned.

Webmaster

Rich will email team managers regarding Sports Engine and how to follow teams for complete information.

Registrar

Looking ahead to 2019 – 2020:

- Mites & Squirts – healthy numbers
- PeeWee – 19 low numbers

There are also 5 (2009's) in Learn to Skate and maybe 2 (2008's) for next year.

Meeting adjourned at 8:01pm.

Next meeting scheduled for January 15 @ 6pm, MFA