

CBHA December Board Meeting Directors' Updates and Minutes

President - Eric Turgeon

Treasurer - Mike Geoghan

Travel Director (VP)- Matt Goodrich

Girls Hockey Director (VP) - Scott Matusovich

Casco Bay Girls will be hosting the University of Maine women versus Franklin Pierce on December 14th at Falmouth Ice Arena. This is the same thing we did last year. Tickets are \$10 a piece. Proceeds going to Casco Bay Hockey. There is a link to the ticket sales that Rachel posted on the website. Would love to pack the place again it was a great atmosphere last year and a lot of fun

We have started the u8 girls program. They had one skate a few weeks ago. We will have another six or seven over the course of the season in an effort to promote girls hockey and bring all the u8 girls together for a few fun practices and scrimmages with other programs that have U8 teams. This is our third year. Figuring the cost for this would be about 50 bucks at family. We have shirts that we purchased last year but due to the number of girls this year we need to buy another set. We will keep them from year to year. Need to connect with Mike and Rachel about a registration for this

Icicle Invitational is full with 25 teams registered across the three age brackets . I am going over the ice right now to see what we have available that weekend what we need and what we can give back. We have carved out ice times for the U10 state tournament that weekend

**Tier IV House Director (VP), U14 (Bantam) T4 Manager - Scott
Rousseau**

Casco Bay Academy Director - Joe Guerriero

**U8 (Mite) Division Director and U12 (Peewee) Division Director -
Caitlin Jordan**

Things are going great with the 14 teams, all teams practice every Saturday and we rotate the weekday practices. With the 14 team rotation, each team has two Sundays off with no games through the season. We have each team scheduled to go to Auburn to play the Gladiators at least once. Each team is signed up to play between periods of the Mariners game. Practices are going well with a focus on power skating for 20 minutes and three station rotation allowing for more coaches at each station giving instruction.

Each Sunday the one hour is all out to play two teams so there are no hour long blow outs.

U8 Mite Assistant and Tournament Director (VP) - Matt Lambert

- Notes from November MEAHA meeting
 - Wild petitioned MEAHA to allow players to play on multiple teams/organizations. It failed.
 - CB is one of four organizations (Moose, Nordiques, and Gladiators) on sub committee for tier 1 hockey in Maine.
 - Releases - looking to us to come up with a new policy/procedure
- Leprechaun Cup - 8 teams have verbally committed. Committee meeting in December.

U10 (Squirt) T4 Division Director - Dennis Hunt

- 1 player exited Squirt House, 2 potential new players
- Goaltender coaching – do we have any options?
- Tournament updates
- Mariners update – requested available dates from Kevin Murphy

U12 (Peewee) T4 Division Director - Caitlin Jordan

The crazy unique draft is showing to have been effective as all Casco to Casco games have been close and competitive. We are finding opportunities to play games and often teams are practicing twice a week as well as playing two games a week.

Goalie development at the Peewee level has been raised as a concern as we do not seem to have hired goalie instructors this year as we did in the past. Need to develop a plan for this question

U18 (Midget) T4 Division Director - Tom Clifford

U16/U18 (Midget) Travel Director - Lance Becker

Goalie Director - Mark Halsted

- Our next free clinic is set for next Saturday, December 7th, at 5:30pm at CBA.
- We need to discuss the hiring and scheduling of goalie coaches for the T4 squirt and peewee teams. Scott Rousseau emailed me and said we have hired coaches from Goalie World in the past. We may also have some local options in a new goalie coach that has signed on with Casco Bay, Julia Johnson.

Registrar - Melissa Riley

52 teams total registered for Casco Bay. Still finalizing a few coaches who need to complete their credentials and one player who needs a Canadian transfer.

Coaching Director - Bryan Cheever

To supplement Matt L's research and CB website update on the USA Hockey concussion stuff, I still have it on my To Do to send an e-mail out to all CB coaches that will summarize our concussion protocol and direct them to submit doc releases to me. This e-mail will also provide reminders re: ensuring game sheets are accurate, making sure player equipment meets the current requirements and another item or two.

ACE - Jayson Morrison

Coaching registration update – 170 coaches this season (177 last year). Working through any rostering issues as house coaches are added with Melissa. There is one remaining Level 1 and Level 2 coaching clinic in December. Will send reminder to coaches who may need that before 12/31.

TA Director/Secretary - Meg Swift

Held two meetings for House TAs (U14-U10 age groups) to go over expectations of the role. Melissa joined me to explain how to access team roster, labels and how to be in touch with changes. Provided all TAs with game sheets and label sheets. Shared how to update scores to Sports Engine.

Sent CBHA Team Store to all TAs to share with teams

Rhonda Farnham conducted individual and team photos for U8-U12 teams on two Sundays (11/17 and 11/24) at Mason Motz Recreation Center in Falmouth. Shot 14 teams per day. Recreation Center worked well - Don Coulombe the building manager opened early for her so the shoot could begin at 11:30 (permit only allowed us 11-6 but he let her in at 10:15). Matt

Gilbert, Assistant Director of MMRC, reported to me that there were teams playing hockey in the hallway and this won't be allowed in the future.

Rhonda photographed all LTP and BTI players over the Sat/Sun sessions 11/9 and 11/10. Joe has requested her to come back a second weekend to get those that register for the next session as well as anyone who missed the first. U8-U12 players who missed first photo session can also come for individual, but no team available. Will be held weekend of 1/18 or 1/25.

Working on calendar. Still trying to get donations for specific days.

Operations Manager (Scheduler) - Rachel Pargeter

- Working on data entry for Co-ed travel games and uploading to website as schedules have changed. Games through the end of January have been uploaded and work on February continues.
- Practice schedules through 12/20 are all uploaded and up to date. Schedules for 12/22-1/2 have been emailed to DD's and I am waiting on them to get back to me with allocations.
- Data entry for the rest of the season is ongoing as schedules are finalized.
- Game data for December has been sent to Tom for ref scheduling and January games will be done in the next week or so..
- January rink schedules will be emailed to the rinks this week.
- December ice use will be emailed to Mike early next week.
- I have talked to TIA about the Monday night 8:30's and co-ed travel is using them in December except for holiday give-backs. Alex at TIA is totally opposed to us sub-leasing out the ice but he is okay with us giving back most of the ice in 2020, for the rest of the season. I have stressed that we don't want to lose that hour permanently as we will need it next season.
- Need to talk to Eric about MEAHA tournaments. Scott R. really doesn't want us to host all the southern conference play-ins and wants MEAHA to give us one of the state tournaments instead. I have emailed Eric about this separately.

Webmaster - Rachel Pargeter

- Girls travel games through the end of December have all been uploaded and double-checked against the NEGHL website.
- Icicle tournament is full except for U10 division.
- All Tier IV TA's now have access to score games on the MEAHA website.

Casco Bay Arena- John Veilleux

Rink is up and running. Ice has been really good. Schedule is full, and early pond hockey is proving very popular again. All new box goals made by Tom M, so feel free to grab the old ones for backyard bonfire. The barn was full and rocking for our 1st Friday night JV games on 11/29 – 14 teams and 2 on waiting list. Our Zamboni is having a new (used) conditioner (the actual ice maker) installed, and then is being dressed up with new sponsorship logos (Summit Natural Gas). We are using FIC spare for now. We are converting to NG next off season at no cost to us.

Puck retention continues to be an issue. Our supply walked out the door (including those by shooting platform) within the 1st 2 weeks. I dug into my personal supply to get us through pond hockey. We need them tagged with GPS. New ref room chairs needed – FIC folding chairs on loan.

Live Barn installed new, high def cameras – the feed is much better this season.

Meeting Minutes - Monday, December 2, 2019

Present - Eric, Matt L, Matt G, Mike, Scott R, Melissa, Dennis, Marc and Rachel via phone
Quorum wasn't present so minutes not approved

Review of November Action Items

- Eric:
 - Signed FIC contract
 - TIA won't allow for us to sublease our Mon 8:30pm ice time. We can give it back starting in January and Alex has promised us we will be able to have that time again next season since he appreciates that our size is growing. We have made an arrangement with him to get ice time on the Friday of the tournament weekend - 2/23
- Joe: NO UPDATE (Joe unable to attend meeting)
 - continue to monitor whether there are 2 players to be moved from CBA to Mites
- Melissa:
 - **All rosters and labels for T4 teams are complete - a total of 52 teams!**
- Mike:
 - **Continuing to try to get Nordique outstanding invoice paid. Scott recommended calling the Collisee and speaking with Jim Kane and telling him that his son Mike needs to pay this invoice. They do this regularly and the only way Scott has gotten them to pay in the past is by calling the father directly. Nordiques currently owe over \$1,500 to CBHA**
- Matt G - no update
 - Remind all skills and dryland instructors to complete SafeSport

- Matt L -
 - Work with Scott and PIAS to get CBHA Store up and going for holiday pick-up - **store was launched (and closed 11/25) and shared with all members by CBHA email and by additional announcements from TAs**
 - Research USAHockey concussion recommendations and develop planning for CBHA
 - Add Leprechaun tournament info to USAHockey tournament website
- Meg - **COMPLETE**
 - Develop photo schedule for U12 and younger teams once ice schedule finalized (**photos took place on 11/17 and 11/24**)
 - Continue to get supplies and instructions to House TAs (**2 House TA meetings held 11/6 and 11/11 and a general overview distributed to all Mites TAs**)

Tournaments

- Tier IV Tournaments - doesn't make sense for CBHA to host all 3 T4 tournaments, need to give one back to MEAHA. Challenge is that the T4 are decided first and it always goes to all the programs without Travel. Programs with both House and Travel should get a chance to bid on both. **TO DO - discuss this at MEAHA meeting**
- Leprechaun status update (Matt L.)

Schedule Upload

- Discussion about the complexity of uploading the data in response to questions about why December was posted as late as 11/29. Rachel sends draft schedule to DDs with available ice, requests confirmation. Further complicated by rinks taking back ice and offering new ice. Uploads take awhile
- **TO DO** - can we put language into rink contracts next year to ensure we get this data in a more timely fashion.
- **TO DO** - nail down tournament dates sooner so alleviate challenge of ice time over these weekends.

MEAHA Report

- Tier 1 teams/committee - Nordiques brought full coaching staff to MEAHA and full discussion about Tier 1 and how many teams there can be in the state based on a calculation. Haven't had a T1 team in 15 years. MEAHA suggested a subcommittee forms to discuss what this would look like and include Nordiques, Moose, CBHA and Gladiators
- Release program - Matt proposed sharing a list of "naughty" players or players who haven't paid so it is known when they switch organizations. We will build this into our travel contracts in a better way next year.
- MEAHA Audit - following an audit MEAHA wanted to share suggestions made to them with the thinking it could benefit other organizations: President's Review of bank transactions, post 990 on website and conduct an internal audit

- Wild petition - to eliminate the possibility of players being double rostered. There is a Southern ME player who wants to be an alternate on the Wild. CBHA has kids who were rostered on the Wild. Only 2 people voted yes for double rosters
- Reporting Scores - if teams don't report scores by 12 on Tues MEAHA will start fining. Any Safe Sport violations should be reported to Sheri
- Midget player eligibility hearing - Eric reported that there was a U18 goalie for the Moose (whose team won States) who, according to multiple organizations, hadn't played in the necessary number of games to qualify for states. A Disciplinary Committee was formed and evidence gathered and ultimately MEAHA said it was OK since he played 7 out of 12 games and that rounds up to 60%

Calendar Raffle

- Meg to share list of secured and hopeful prizes with Board with reminder to everyone of their specific asks. All Board members to help. Need prizes confirmed by Christmas
- Erika Cheever will put prizes together from a design standpoint
- Will do paper and electronic sales. Ideally will get paper sales out to TAs at time of photograph pick-up (weekend of 12/21-12/22)
- Will work with Rachel to have email blast and information on website
- Sales during January
- Prizes for every day of February

Coach message (game sheets, concussion protocol, etc.) - **Bryan working on**

Locker room / winter weather cancellation policy email -

- decision to send the winter weather cancellation policy message out. Use same wording as last year - decision made by Division Directors in consultation with Eric and Rachel. Message was sent evening of 12/2 but decision made not to send locker room policy to go also

Goalie program updates

- Rachel will share master schedule with Marc so that he can arrange goalie skills for each division.
- Working with Dennis for Squirts on Wednesday nights with Mike Fellows or Liz and Marc
- Schedule for PW and Bantams is a bit more complicated since not back to back
- Every coach should have an assistant coach assigned to help with goalie support - to have a go-to coach/adult for that goalie
- Sat 12/7 is next Open Goalie night at CBA. Have 6 coaches and 6 shooters. Julia Johnson will be helping with this. Marc may also get Hannu (?) involved
- Plan for next September clinic to divide goalie program into age groups and run one for Mites/Squirts that Marc would lead and one for PW/Bantams that Hannu might be able to do

- Discussion about whether Pond Hockey on snow days could ever be expanded to include goalies - would be good extra ice opportunity for these players
- Marc wanting to work with Rob Cloutier, goalie coach at NYA, to create some common language and host a classroom session for all coaches early in the fall next season

December TO-DO

Matt G - Remind all skills and dryland instructors to complete SafeSport

Matt L - Research USAHockey concussion recommendations and develop planning for CBHA

Eric -

- 1) add wording in contracts for rinks for 2020-2021 that addresses the issue of when ice is pulled back
- 2) Talk with MEAHA about selection of tournaments. Organizations should be able to get a bid for both T4 and Travel Tournaments

Mike - follow-up with Jim Kane at the Collisee about outstanding Nordique Invoices

Bryan - Coach message (game sheets, concussion protocol, etc.)

Marc - work to design goalie coaching nights for Squirts, PW and Bantams

Meg -

- 1) work with Board to secure all prizes for Calendar.
- 2) Work with Erika Cheever for design of Calendar
- 3) Prepare distribution plan for all paper tickets to get to TAs
- 4) Work with Rachel to have website ready to handle sales and notifications