

NCYHA Minutes

4/6/22, 6:30 PM, Middletown Fire Station, Community Room

Attendees:

Nicole, Brian T, Adam, Chuck, Eric, Sarah, Brian C, MJB, Jeff M., Chris, Aubie, Matt, Jeff D

BOD Vote:

1. Received approval of 3/2/22 and subsequently sent to Jeff to post to website

Action Items:

1. NEW - Chuck/Jeff M/ Adam - Update content for program descriptions on the website to reference skills instead of ages ie. LTS, MDP
2. IN PROCESS - Brian H/Brian C/Nicole complete a reconciliation of players/jersey numbers/payment.
 - a. Per Brian C, we are about 95% done working through questions on uniform payments. I have one refund to issue and Brian H and I are working through two or three remaining questions about specific players.
 - b. Nicole will complete jersey number reconciliation (cross reference Brian H's list with Registrars list - needed from Chris).
3. IN PROCESS - BOD - Review/Rewriting 2016 By-Laws. Nicole updated by laws and requested all BOD directors and advisory positions review the document paying close attention to the section for their role by 4/6. Once all feedback received, BOD agreed it should be reviewed by outside legal counsel and approved by BOD.
 - a. **Outstanding: Girls Program Director, Coach in Chief**
4. IN PROCESS - Chuck met with CEO of Verbero & sales representative to discuss outstanding orders/delays and lack of communication. Verbero indicated they did not receive an order from Brian H. for 7-9 sets of jerseys (Brian H has e-mail of order that was sent, vendor non responsive). Verbero committed to delivering jerseys within the next month.
 - a. Chuck will request a kick back to NCYHA for the delay ie. blank jerseys
 - b. Chuck will review with Verbero that Island Hockey is for profit and not affiliated with NCYHA (they have permission to use the NCYHA logo and sell branded merchandise).
5. NEW - Brian C/Brian H/Chuck - Develop a process for uniform orders/timeline/payment going forward. Align process with Verbero manufacturing calendar. Acquire surplus blank jerseys to use for late additions to the travel program.
 - a. 4/6 update per Brian C, we met last week and outlined a timeline and process. We agreed on a process for tracking payments on Brian H's master uniforms list and will implement this with the first order for the season. That first order must be made with Verbero by May 15 – in addition to orders made by families, we'll order enough blank jerseys to have five in each size for late additions in the fall. Working now on an order form in Google forms (rather than mailed paper form) and communication to families in April.
 - b. Jeff Day work with Brian C on a google form - Venmo for uniforms.
6. DEFERRED to 6/2022 as the 2021 Christmas Tournament was canceled and these are needed for the Christmas tournament. Research costs associated with replacing Ipads/squares for Christmas

tournaments, SWAG sales, etc. (As of 10/2021, \$630 for each replacement includes device, stand, connection through square will be an additional temporary wireless account fee for the months used, square takes a small percentage of sales.)

Board Updates:

1. President/Vice President Update

- a. RI Hockey Update - Open BOD positions within this organization, looking for volunteers.
- b. SCHL Update -
 - i. Dual roster goalies will be allowed.
 - ii. Each player must play in 75% of games to be eligible to play in playoffs (excludes parody round), medical excuses allowed.
 - iii. Changes to parody - U12 and below will have 6 mini games over 2 weekends, U14 & U18 will have 3 mini games over 1 weekend.
 - iv. U14 & U18, 6 call ups per player/year allowed (increased from 3 call ups)
- c. Develop Training/Syllabus Per Level
 - i. Toby from overspeed hockey is on board to assist this committee, also suggested a train the coaches meeting, he offered to bring in speakers for this mtg.
- d. Travel Team Selection Process/Dates/Communications
 - i. 4/7 meeting to determine travel teams
 1. Invitees: level directors, previous coaches and targeted coaches for next season
 2. Level directors will oversee the team selection process and ensure hard evidence supports players placements. Independent evaluations coupled with coaches feedback will be used to determine team selection.
 3. If we have an odd number of players/team, the largest number of players will be placed on the lowest level team to allow for players to be called up
 4. E-mail communication will be sent directing parents/guardians to the website for team announcements in advance of 4/12
- e. BOD Positions/Voting

BOD			
Role	Name	Election Year	2022 Candidates
President	Brian Torello	Odd	
Vice President		Even	Eric Karoli
Treasurer	Brian Clark	Odd	
Secretary	Nicole FitzGerald	Even	Stephanie Nary

Scheduler	Eric Karoli	Even	Eric Bronson
Registrar	Chris Wilkes	Even	Chris Wilkes
Girls Program Director	Sarah Fernandez	Odd	
Coach in Chief	Chuck Crouteau	Odd	
Christmas Tournament Director	MJ Bregenhøj	Even	Open
Advisory Board			
Learn To Skate	Jeff Moniz		Open
House League	Aubie van Bueren		
Mite Level Director	Adam Tobias		
Squirt Level Director	Jeff Dwyer		
Pee Wee Level Director	Tom McCarthy		Open
Bantam Level Director	Dan O'Connor		
Midget Level Director	Brian Torello		Open
Equipment Manager	Brian Hawkins		
Player Safety Coordinator	Tom Rocco		
Webmaster	Jeff Day		
Sponsorship Director	Matt O'Hagan		

2. Treasurer Update

- a. Monthly Financial Summary: Our checking account balance as of 04-01-22 is \$127,021.82. Our balance on the same day in 2021 was \$188,105.77. Significant expenditures in March include Abbey, SG and FMC Ice for February and March (\$49,070); league fees for game changes and referee admin fees (\$1,711); goalie skills with RIHA (\$1,620); referee fees (\$1,508); Team Genius and Survey Monkey renewals (\$1,398); travel tournament for Squirt B (\$1,195). Revenues in February totaled \$28,845 for 2022-23 travel season deposits. Treasurer will prepare this year's annual financial report for review during the May meeting.

3. Scheduler Update

- a. Brian T will look to secure ice at Boss in August for midgets
- b. Will plan for overspeed hockey to offer minicamp in August, need to determine if we include mites (low attendance last year, 4 players)

4. Registrar Update

- a. Reopen travel registration in late July for late additions

5. Girls Program Update - No update

6. Coach in Chief Update - No update

7. Equipment Manager Update - No update

- a. BOD suggested that we accept old hockey gear if offered to us, keep a small assortment available in the future at PAS/St. George's and coordinate used gear sale or swap in the fall (could coincide with Family Day)

8. Sponsorship Update

- a. Needs the size of temporary white boards to sell ads - will obtain from St. George's
- b. Needs size of LTS black pads (currently at PAS)
- c. Looking for referrals to solicit for donations
- d. Speaking with GM at Gurneys to coordinate events with their outdoor ice rink going forward
- e. Family Day early September- Looking for sponsors at Boss

9. Webmaster Update

- a. Planning to work on email domain for NCYHA
- b. Currently the website contains a number of player of the week/brick wall club photos - BOD agreed we would like to leave these on the website but instead of a vertical format, would like them in a carousel format. In the future, replace them with updated content when relevant/available.
 - i. Would like the website to display the entire home page on a mobile device without needing to scroll to the bottom.
 - ii. In season welcome letter, request parents/guardians send in photos to include on website/social media. Previously, Aubie was proactively checking the SCHL site and following up with families for a photo. Jeff will do this going forward.

10. MDP Update

- a. Obtained approval to have approximately 4 pads fixed for \$50 each

11. LTS Update

- a. Need to find a replacement for Jeff
- b. Ideal to video record the first and last session and play on large screen TV to show the improvement

12. Player Safety Update

- a. Brian T to reach out to Tom late summer to remind of position due to USA Hockey requirement

13. House League Update

- a. Per Aubie, he is looking forward to a strong program in the fall. He would like to heavily publicize registration open in July. He will inventory existing yard signs to leverage. Ages approximately 9 - 16, split by ages.

Confirm Future Meeting Schedule: Monthly board meetings, first Wednesday of each month, 6:30 pm.

- 5/4 annual meeting at Gas Lamp Grille, 6-8 pm

- 6/17 BOD mtg.
- TBD July - hold Christmas tournament mtg,
- 8/3 BOD mtg.