

NCYHA

Meeting Minutes (9/2, 6:30 PM)

Virtual Meeting

ATTENDEES

Aubie van Beuren, Brian Hawkins, Bryan May, Sarah Fernandez, Jason Humm, Brian Torello, Nicole FitzGerald, MJ Bregenhoj, Eric Karoli, Brian Clark, Jeff Moniz, Chris Wilkes

RECAP

8/5 meeting minutes approved and sent to Sarah Fernandez for posting

Status of Action Items

1. MJ - February 5th Meeting Minutes- distribute updated copy for review/posting
2. MJ - March 4th Meeting Minutes - distribute initial copy for approval and subsequent posting
3. Aubie - Will Follow up with Chris Lane to assess willingness to assist with House League when time is appropriate
4. BOD - Review/Rewriting 2016 By-Laws
5. Eric - Request storage locker/unit for boards for mites at PAS

Board Updates

1. President Update
 - a. Mini camp was a great success with positive feedback from parents.
 - b. Numerous RI Hockey and South Coast League meetings. RI is trying to play catch up and obtain the approvals received in MA (games for teams within the state). League is pushing for games/scrimmages at some level within the state, assuming no checking for the year due to COVID.
 - c. League has a sample schedule with games as early as 9/26 in Burrillville.
 - d. Recommends delaying LTS, House, MDP registration/start date until after Thanksgiving. Will send an email to BOD with the details. Will champion appropriate communications (e-mail, website, facebook).
2. Treasurer Update
 - a. Current balance 165K
 - b. State/federal taxes being handled by outside financial institution, appropriate extensions filed
3. Scheduler Update
 - a. September Ice - Contacted all of the open rinks in RI. One promising rink with ice time is Levy in Burrillville. Eric will know by tomorrow if he is able to secure ice (9/12 - 9/13, 9/19 - 9/20, 9/26 - 9/27). Ideally get all travel teams on the ice (2 x 25 players/team/sheet no mingling, midgets get their own sheet of ice, spectators allowed, waiver involved). We will share guidelines with parents if it comes to fruition.
 - b. October Ice - PAS, Mitch reviewed all ice time with Eric today. Month of October weeknights 5:00 - 8:10 (need 20 minutes between sheets to clean, etc.), weekends 8:00 - 12:20.
 - c. November Ice - PAS removing weekday ice time for the most part during the month of November, can acquire more ice time on weekends.
 - d. St. George's - Will only open 1 sheet of ice until at least January and potentially for the whole year. They will not rent prior to Thanksgiving and TBD after that time.

4. Registrar Update

- a. Will send an email to pee wees and squirts with details for the Burrillville hockey 3x3 program. If we can not field a Whalers team at each level, Aubie will follow up with peers to see if we can make a combined team with another program in our league.
- b. Will send annual welcome letter, stickers/magnets to travel players
- c. Travel registration remains open until 9/14.. Chris has a list of missing registrations, and will follow up with families.
- d. Sarah will create new tags in the sports engine (Squirt A, B, C). League wants us to get away with Squirt, Pee Wee etc. and use U14, U12, etc.

5. Coaching Update

- a. 9/3 mtg. with level directors and coaches. Will provide them with the data they need to make selections.

Plan A = Create preliminary teams that are not shared, evaluate kids 9/12 - 9/13 (Burrillville) and finalize teams 9/14.

Plan B = If Burrillville ice is not secured, have virtual meetings to create teams based on data available.

- b. Coaches Approved by BOD:

Bantam: Scot West & Tom Mc Carthy

Pee Wee: Tucker West & Keith Chouinard, Need 1 more head coach

Squirt: Brian Torello/Chuck Croteau & Eric Karoli

6. Equipment Update

- a. Travel team uniforms are in and in process of being distributed. Any new players will order new (in lieu of using old, used inventory).

7. Christmas Tournament

- a. Highly unlikely that we will be able to host this year, BOD will discuss at next mtg.

CONFIRMED FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE

1. Coaches/Level Directors Mtg. 9/3
2. Monthly board meetings, first Wednesday of each month, 6:30 pm, virtual until further notice
 - a. 10/7, 11/4, 12/2