

Attendees: Scott Matusovich, Matt Lambert, Rob Levine, John Veilleux, Jamie Bryant, Caitlin Jordan, Bryan Cheever, Megan Vaughan, Greg Leclair, Rebecca Spear, Jayson Morrison, Lance Becker, Mike Geoghan, Eric Turgeon, Rachel Pargeter, Scott Rousseau, Joe G, Dan Welch, Adam Godfrey, Tom Clifford

CBA Update

- CBHA board approved chiller repair at the January meeting. The work on the chiller started today (2/1) should be completed within the week.
- Opening ice beyond the rinks anchor tenants to maximize ice usage.
- Sara Kramlich has been working on cash flow/revenue projections.
- CBA is current on all payments but concerned about the off season.
- Arena is losing revenue from no High School JV league, Southern Maine Middle School Hockey league and shortened High School season.
- Looking into fundraising ideas including a possible Alumni golf tournament, financial drive and Casco Bay 5k race
- Have spoken to Key Bank about possible forbearance options for May-September.
- February vacation week programming. Will open up extra time for private rentals.
- New signage on locker rooms to post capacity per Covid protocols
- Will need to discuss keeping ice in at CBA after 4/1 with the town of Falmouth.

Financial Health

- CBHA could potentially be giving all 20/21 skaters a 5% - 10% discount code for the 21/22 season. Option for families to donate a discount amount to Casco Bay Arena. Blanket email out to all families before the end of this season. This email will explain the situation this year due to Covid. Follow up email in the fall to say how much CBHA's families have donated back to support our rink.
- Will take a deeper dive into players who will be aging out of our program.
- CBHA will continue to work with families whose financial situations have changed.

Chris Prinn

- 3v3 tournament in Yarmouth(Keybank Rink) or CBA in March
- Scholarship fund
- Framed jersey at CBA
- Will post an announcement to CBHA website including the families fundraising pages.
- Send flowers to the visiting hours from Casco Bay Hockey

MEAHA January Meeting

- Still haven't canceled Nationals for U14 and above. Still don't know how it will be possible these tournaments.
- Meaha is still floating the idea of some sort of state tournament. Not a possibility unless the State is level 5. Which would enable everyone to play across the state and not just adjacent counties.

- Second weekend in March is possible for tryouts. Gladiators are floating out March 20th. Potential window from the end of march to the beginning of may. Will find out more at the February Meaha meeting
- 2 coach rules will not be enforced by refs. CBHA has put in a motion to vote on rule and over turn it.

Hockey Games / Opponents / season end date

- Matching up by skill level across all programs. Non traditional games to make all match up even.
- Refs questioning number of coaches on the bench. Official numbers are down this season. At the start of the season there were 200 signed up for training and now there are 116 official statewide. They have 24 refs opting out due to Covid. Biddeford and L/A are having the same issues retaining younger refs. House will start using younger refs for pod scrimmages.
- NYA and CBA will keep ice for us until April vacation.
- CBHA will extended LTP and BTI through the end of April.

Travis Roy Sticker sales update

- As of 10:33am on 2/1 we have sold 200 stickers on the website. We have also had 615 dollars in donations on the site. Rebecca has sold over 300 dollars through TAs. CBHA will be donating 1k to the fund at the end of the season.
- Broadcast email will go out for applications in the next month or so.

Calendar Raffle

- Launch calendar sales Monday of next week (2/8)
- Still looking for 5 more items. Want to fill out the calendar with more non-hockey items.
- Rebecca will coordinate item pick up and distribution.
- Prizes for top players sales (ice times/registration discount)

Covid Committee

- Last week CDC confirmed that anyone inside the glass at a game or practice is considered a close contact and needs to quarantine for 10 days. The only people exempt from the quarantine would be the 2 people at the scorers table.
- Committee is reviewing all exposures for quarantine and disciplinary actions on a case by case basis.
- We are receiving all the same CDC guidance as school nurses
- Players exposed can be tested at 72 hours after the exposure. If the test is negative siblings are allowed to return to play. Also siblings are allowed back to play after 7 days if there is no testing or symptoms.

Pictures

- Table the idea of individual pictures until March meeting. Will discuss individual pictures being taken outside. All team pictures to be done by TA on ice with masks.

Tryouts

- Free peregistration for all travel programs to get an idea about numbers to set up Covid rules and allocate ice time.
- One fee for both Mariners/Spartans.
- Window for tryouts is the end of March or early April.

Tournament

- End of season tournament- Within CBHA or even with the outside clubs we are playing.
- Nice closure to the end of the season.

Board update

- Midget director will be opening up for 21/22
- Coed travel director will be opening for 21/22
- T4 Director opening for 21/22
- Marketing Director opening for 21/22
- Always open to any recommendations for board members

Directors Reports

Goaltending from Marc Halsted:

- After verifying the 2021 plan for goalie coaching with Matt Lambert and all the division directors, we are committed to getting goalie coaches to each team or cohort at least once every three weeks. Hannu Toivonen, Fred Quistgard, Jeff Haley, and I have been busy attending practices and skills sessions throughout the month of January. I will continue to work with coaches and division directions to keep this plan going over the next two months.
- Additionally, the Casco Bay Goaltending webpage has been updated to reflect our revised goals and expectations for the rest of this season. As stated, we are being very careful about additional "exposures" across multiple programs, teams, and cohorts so we are not planning any goalie clinics for right now. We certainly hope to return to normal by next September with our fall clinic, free monthly clinics, and more goalie-specific coaching at practices and skills sessions.
- One idea for next year (if we return to "normal") is to start getting our older and more experienced goaltenders to work with younger goalies at specific practices. This would help us build the goalie culture of Casco Bay, increase the goalie-specific instruction for our Mites, Squirts, and Peewees, and cultivate a small group of "mentors" that could serve as role models and guides for our younger kids.

Ace update from Jayson Morrison:

- We had 165 coaching registrations for 20-21. We successfully rostered all coaches without having to turn any coach back for not completing continuing education by the deadline. The one year temp card issued by USA hockey certainly made this easier. We had a few coaches choose not to return after the original delay in November, just due to covid/quarantine concerns.

Academy from Joe Guerriero:

- Casco Bay Academy – All things are going smoothly thus far.
- The Break The Ice program has two more sessions left for the first season of 10 (Feb 6 and 13). Most parents have interest in signing up for a second session. My plan would be to open registration for the second season now and immediately start on February 20th, running to April 17th.
- The Learn to Play program's first 20 sessions are complete February 21st. The next 20 would have us wrapping up on April 30th.
- I don't plan on taking any sessions off for school break. LTP parents signed up for the full 2 seasons and wouldn't have to re-register, while BTI parents only registered for the first season of 10, and will have to register for the next 10.

Girls program from Scott Matusovich:

- No issues to report.
- All teams are playing, including T4 who have found some games with BYHA.
- Talking with some mites folks about trying to do a 2 week or so u8 girls team for the players aging up to U10. Concern for cross cohorts in Mites is an issue. Will focus more on this once the tryout dates are announced.
- Thanks to Rachel for all her program wide scheduling for both girls and coed.

Tier 4 from Scott Rousseau:

- Tier IV has played in cohort groups at all four division levels since the restart in early December. This has proven very successful as all "teams" have been able to skate regularly and to date(don't jinx it) have not had to quarantine any groups at U10, U12, or U14. At the Mite level, we had our first exposure last Saturday, with that cohort group set to come out of quarantine mid-week (no known spread).
- Without any Conference or State playoffs at the T4 level, there has been very little desire to move out of our cohort groups. After consulting with coaches at all levels, it was decided that remaining in the cohort groups is the best
- Course for T4 for the remainder of the season. The Scheduler (Rachel Pargeter) was able to provide a set weekday and weekend schedule allocation for the remainder of the season. We will have the entire season booked and published in the coming days.
- At this time, we are targeting March 14th as our final day of skating.

House Mites & Peewees from Caitlin Jordan:

- Mites Cohorts are thriving in their four divided houses. This model is doing well and I think it would do even better executed in a normal season. The only issue I notice in my house is attendance, which is understandable with our current situation. I think the model would do even better with more consistency.
- Mites are currently skating every other week Wednesday night, as well as every Saturday and Sunday, at least one session per week is a scrimmage.
- Peewees are skating 3.5 times a week, again attendance is the only issue in both divisions. Coaches are doing their best to keep practices fun and developmental, game play and team play development is slow due to attendance variance. But

everyone who shows up when they show up has a smile and is enjoying being on the ice.

- Over all for both groups it has been incredible to see how the kids have persevered through the changes of the pandemic requirements, the independence of coming into and leaving the rink, the overall respect and appreciation of following the rules. The biggest draw back for the season is the bonding, it is hard to create team bonds and connections in your one hour on the ice, so much of the hockey bond is created off ice.

House Squirts from Adam Godfrey:

- We still have 3 groups/pods
- Practice during the week and weekend scrimmages
- no changes, we are sticking with this approach. Kids, coaches, and parents seem happy with how things are going.

Co-ed Travel from Matt Goodrich:

- All teams currently back to regular practices and scrimmages with adjoining counties. Scrimmages seem to be going well and we continue to tailor the match ups that provide the best competition.
- Discussion for next year already in place. We did an introduction call with Matt Lambert and Seacoast Spartans to continue plans for next season. It has been announced already that the Seacoast Spartans and Casco Bay Youth Hockey will continue the relationship into next season and the following years. Matt and the new travel director will decide exactly which birth years will exist for next year.
- The plan is to continue practicing and scrimmaging well into March with tryouts taking place shortly after. I believe it was discussed for early April but we will need to see final MEAHA direction

Open Discussion

- Megan Vaughan suggested the idea of a Casco Bay Hockey floor hockey season at CBA. As a good use of the facility in the off season.
- Discussion of High School players opting out of Casco Bay due to chances of Covid exposure and missing their high school season.
- Looking at outside ice options for 21/22 season including USM/UNE. Potentially looking at ice options outside Maine for Spartans and Girls program.