

WYSA Meeting Minutes

8/10/2020

Attendees: Amy Blain, Brian Casey, Bill Welch, Steve Rubman, Ryan Burns, Don Collins, Rick Morris, Kara Simoneau, Mike Morel, Lindsay Rocca, Eric Hubert, Justin Santerre, Sara Eriksen, Michele Kelly, Brian Lynch, Maryellen Northrup, Brian Abcunas, Jenn Baldwin, Eileen Gallella

Meeting called to order at 8:02 pm

July Minutes

A motion was made to accept the July meeting minutes. Motion passed.

Financials

Steve sent a financials spreadsheet around to board via email. Steve will compare try out registration versus full season registration to make sure everyone is registered and on a payment plan. He will then reach out to age directors with any follow up needed.

Rick has some Pee Wee skaters who have moved to goalie – need to address/discuss tuition. Steve to review and discuss with Rick. Bill to keep track of new people coming in who need shirts and will discuss with Lindsay.

Mass Hockey

MA hockey presented a plan to the state's COVID panel – as did MA Soccer. Soccer was moved to "moderate" from "high risk" as a result, however MA hockey hasn't heard anything back yet. No guidance for fall yet at all.

Will we try to play in other states? As of right now MA hockey won't give their blessing for that. If we leave the state for anything – tournament – we have to inform the district and get approval. We don't have an ice contract yet from the Valley League. Everyone's waiting to hear what decision the state will give to MA hockey. Message for WYSA community – Brian is working on something and hopes to have it out by Wednesday.

Practices

Practices will have to have smaller groups this year – more spread out. No scrimmages. Would be all stations.

Picture Night

Not sure if we'll be able to do it this year. Kara to follow up.

Fundraising

Kara spoke with Mark Doherty at Dynamik regarding what we can push through the online store.

Photos – Kara spoke with Brogen. Some people are doing individual shots in September and October. They are also photoshopping some team photos. Further discussion at the next Board meeting.

We probably won't be able to have a party in February. Fundraising chairs are coming up with other ideas that we can do virtually. One idea is a \$10,000 raffle drawing. Other towns have done this in the

past and it was very successful – they have had a wait list to participate. Winner gets \$10k and organization gets \$10k. We may try to do one of these before Christmas. To discuss at next meeting.

We'd still like to do team baskets and raffle them off online. Another possible idea - Facebook – All in for the Win – live auction every day.

Shirt Night

Determined coaches will hand out shirts this year in lieu of doing an in-person shirt night.

Assistant Coaches

Motion was made to appoint assistant coaches for Pee Wee 1 – Eric Hubert, Mark Pothier, Don Collins, Dave McCarthy; Pee Wee 2 assistant coaches Mike Deberardinis, Rick Defeo, Ryan Burns; and Pee Wee 3 assistant coaches Matt Fowler, Greg Davidson, Dan Hubbard. Motion passed.

Motion was made to appoint Squirt 1 assistant coaches Dave McCarthy, Matt Downey Mike Delylys; Squirt 2 assistant coaches Mike Kelly, Dave Rizzutto; and Squirt 3 assistant coaches Justin Santerre, Tom Walsh. Motion passed.

Mite 3 still has no coaches. To continue the search and discussions. No Imite updates.

Open Board Positions

Pee Wee, Squirt and Bantam age directors would like to move on from these positions. We will put some communication out. Determine timing.

Tentative Practice Ice Schedule

S2 and S3 – 6:00 pm Tuesdays – Malden

S1 and M1 – Wednesdays 5:20 pm, Hockey Town

Bantam and PW1 – Wednesdays 6:30 pm, Hockey Town

M2 and M3 - Thursdays 6:00 pm Malden

PW2 and PW 3 - Thursdays 7:10 pm Malden

Rotating sheet between Midgets and U18 girls – every other week. Friday 5:55 pm at Hockey Town.

Open: Thurs 4:45 pm Hockey Town, Sunday 9:10 am Hockey Town, Friday 5:20 pm Hockey Town.

Above schedule is preliminary – not final.

Coaching Update – Don Collins

Goal is to have a consistent teaching method across all teams and skills. Age-specific program for all the teams. Tell, demonstrate, observe, correct. Don to discuss with Jamie for his skills coaches as well.

Imites

Numbers have come up a little bit. There are 20 in total. Two of those players will be practicing with Pee Wee 3s as well as Imites.

Functional Reports

Nothing

Meeting adjourned at 9:53 pm.