Casco Bay Hockey Association Board Meeting Directors' Updates January 2020

President - Eric Turgeon

<u>Treasurer - Mike Geoghan</u>

Travel Director (VP)- Matt Goodrich

Girls Hockey Director (VP) - Scott Matusovich

No issues to report

We had a very successful event on 12-14 hosting the UMaine Woman at FIC . Packed house and lots of fun for the kids there. We grossed about 4100.00. Waiting on final cost for ice from Josh.

Icicle Invitational is all set have not allocated all the ice yet but working on that. 24 teams coming at the 3 age groups

U8 girls team is having a blast have had 4-5 ice times so far and inviting a CB Mites team to join them for the skates so all the kids are getting some extra ice. We have enough for 2 teams and all are in the process of registering with CB for this.

<u>Tier IV House Director (VP), U14 (Bantam) T4 Manager - Scott</u> Rousseau

- Season has progressed with only 1 or 2 minor disciplinary matters. Nothing noteworthy to report.
- Otherwise, business as usual. Scheduling has been mostly issue free as well.
- Teams are generally all successful, save one or two teams that struggled early but seem to be gaining their footing since the New Year.
- Bantams particularly are very strong with chance to place 4 or 5 teams to state tourney. Issues with Gladiators Bantams (less so) and Nordiques Bantams, which is not surprising since the Nordiques current coach was the coach of the Western ME team that all conference opponents stopped playing 2 years ago. Also ironic is that I've been told Gladiators will not play Nordiques any more. Art imitating life??

• We are hosting the U12 and U14 Conference tourneys Feb 23-26. Rachel and I working on this schedule, but are waiting on confirmation from MEAHA / Mike Keaney that the South is again sending 5 teams to the states.

<u>Casco Bay Academy Director - Joe Guerriero</u>

Casco Bay Hockey Academy – 152 total skaters

- Break the Ice Session 2 57 registered skaters
 - Head Coach Eben Adams
 - Assistant Coaches 23 registered
- Learn to Play 95 registered skaters
 - Head Coaches Rob King, Mike Formas, Toby Bell
 - Assistant Coaches 22 registered
 - Both LTP A and B have been skating together on Tuesday nights and split on Sundays. Rachel is looking to grab the 5:20PM Tuesday slot at FIC to enable us to split into two sessions. I have coaches lined up for both sessions on Tuesday if we can get ice. LTP registration is currently capped and on a waitlist.
- Picture Feedback was positive, and we have another Feb day lined up for those who were unavailable to get their pictures done in 2019.

All CBHA programs are running smoothly with positive feedback from all parents so far. No issues to discuss with the board at this time, besides grabbing the 5:20PM Tuesday slot if possible.

<u>U8 (Mite) Division Director and U12 (Peewee) Division Director -</u> Caitlin Jordan

We are in full swing of the season, things are going well kids are responding well to the new practice layout. Having five teams of 9 on the has not been an issue. We are headed to auburn next weekend Jan 17th. Then teams are off to Bangor and Rockland then we finish with the leprechaun cup. We have been asked to start to set up games with Biddeford and the Nordiques as each program is looking for games so will begin talks with them.

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

Action Items completed - update at meeting

Leprechaun Update:

- Already at 30 or so teams committed.
- Need to confirm ice time with Rachel for the tournament and registrations.
- Check on sponsorship checks with Mike, as we have had a lot of commitments.

• Lep Cup Committee to meet mid January to follow up on action items.

U10 (Squirt) T4 Division Director - Dennis Hunt

- All six teams have selected their non-league tourney
- We'd love to continue to have goaltending coaches at our Wednesday night practice...if possible?

U12 (Peewee) T4 Division Director - Caitlin Jordan

The season is going great the draft proved successful teams are battling every game, we are beating outside the program teams handedly. We are looking forward to our own tournaments most teams headed to Mass or Rockland and then on to conference and states.

U18 (Midget) T4 Division Director - Tom Clifford

U16/U18 (Midget) Travel Director - Lance Becker

Goalie Director - Mark Halsted

- We held our third free and open CB Goalie clinic yesterday at NYA and had another great turnout. 18 goalies, seven coaches, and ten shooters came out to help and it was a very positive and hard-working session.
- I'd like to encourage folks to check out the CB Goaltending webpage on the CB site. We have new videos, new content, and new updates for all to see. I hope it's helping to promote the position and our CB goalies individually.

Registrar - Melissa Riley

Coaching Director - Bryan Cheever

ACE - Jayson Morrison

We had 171 coaches register this year (177 last year). A few did not complete or had to complete modules/certification at the last minute prior to 12/31 deadline. All rosters have been updated and coaches who did not complete required certification were notified.

TA Director/Secretary - Meg Swift

Thanks to all the help of Board Members we were able to compile all prizes for the CBHA Calendar Raffle set for February 2020. Worked with Erika Cheever to get the calendar formatted along with the associated tickets. Thanks to Rachel for creating the online store for ticket purchases using the registration format and then for posting the PDFs of both the calendar and the tickets. Created an email blast to entire membership that was sent by Rachel 12/22.

Distributed all pictures done by Rhonda Farnham for U12 and under, including BTI and LTP, at the Pond House over the weekend of 12/21-12/22. When TAs picked up pictures, they were also provided a calendar and tickets for every player on their team with the instructions to encourage people to sell and that tickets would be collected at Pond House on Sat 2/1 8-11am; online ticket sales will end 1/31 and players asked to give TAs any paper tickets sold by 1/31 or bring paper ticket sales to Pond House on 2/1. Will send a few more reminders to TAs throughout the month of January to remind them to encourage sales. All players asked to sell 5 tickets with a prize of a drawing for every 5 tickets sold with the prize of \$100 gift card and \$250 off the CBHA tuition for 2020-2021.

Additional photo session for BTI session 2 scheduled for Sat 2/1 at FIC between 10-1. Any players on other teams who missed the first session are welcome to stop in then too.

<u>Operations Manager (Scheduler) - Rachel Pargeter</u>

- 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 January has been sent to Tom for ref scheduling and February games will be done in the next week or so.
- February rink schedules will be emailed to the rinks this week.
- December ice use has been emailed to Mike already.
- Working on getting back Tuesday 5:20 ice for LTP, Joe is working on finding a coach for that time slot as enrollment is above 90.

- Emails have been sent to rinks to find out about extra ice for more Spartans teams in the fall, waiting on responses from the rinks.
- Ice has been secured for the Leprechaun Cup at CBA and NYA.

Webmaster - Rachel Pargeter

- Girls travel games through the end of January have all been uploaded and double-checked against the NEGHL website. February games will be done soon.
- Icicle tournament is full except for U10 division.
- Tier 4 games through the end of February are in progress and will be uploaded soon.
- LTP registration has been closed until additional ice and a coach can be secured, message to email Joe for waiting list has been posted in the registration and on the LTP page on the website.
- Mary Louie has been given access to the EventConnect site for the Leprechaun Cup.
- MEAHA site has been checked for all travel teams to make sure all league games in 2019 have been scored.

Casco Bay Arena- John Veilleux

Meeting Minutes January 6, 2020

Present - Melissa, Matt L, Eric, Mike, John V, Lance, Scott M, Meg, Joe, Bryan, Jayson, Dennis Missing - Scott R, Rachel, Matt G, Caitlin, Marc

November and December minutes approved

Update on the MEAHA conversation regarding Tier 1: (Matt L)

CBHA, Moose, Nordiques and Glads all approved to have Tier 1 PeeWee and up. Only certains spots each year based on registration across the state (US Hockey rule).
 Nordiques, Moose and Glads looking at U16 and U18. CBHA is the only organization looking at T1 for younger ages. Wild not approved for T1 since they don't have a House program. We can go to MEAHA each year and ask, and if you have the age group that

- is special and should be playing at the level, let's push them forward (right now Casco/Spartans are the only ones eligible). Good meeting, all very cordial.
- Benefit of recognition as Tier I is that other T1 teams outside of ME will be more likely to
 elect to play. Have to play in a league that is Tier 1 to get this designation. Issue
 currently with the Spartan team is that they don't have a T1 designation on roster
 because MEAHA doesn't have T1. Only if you parity up in BHL can you get into T1, not
 an automatic (E9 is all T1)
- President of MEAHA is going to put this in writing and share with organization.
- Strict guidelines of how try-outs are done, can't try-out until after Nationals in April (April).

CBHA needs to re-evaluate the Spartans/Casco contract, to see agreement for year #2 and number of teams that were committed:

• If committed to having 3 Spartan teams, some of them would be made up of only 50% of CB programs. If next year we have 2 PW Spartan teams (made up of 50% Casco), we will need a 3rd travel PW team

Casco Bay Arena: John V

- New conditioner that will get added to existing Zamboni to make ice. Currently not working properly
- Issue with doors on benches
- Problem with hinges on doors to locker room issue with people breaking fingers
- AED now up on the wall. Needs to be hooked up to dial 911
- JV League really big 14 teams
- Mike raised issue of tree lightning, workers were really rude, part of our contract (had to keep this in contract because the storage unit where this was kept was taken down in building CBA. John will talk with them - appreciate it is in the contract but the workers need to respect our members.
- Message of who owns the arena sent to all CBA followers. Eric said this also needs to be sent to all Casco members and Rachel working on this to get it pushed out. Makes mention of need for volunteers, will be asking for some of our specific needs going forward
- Off-season, kids who need community service hours, are helping with some clean-up around the rink and getting credit for it
- Someone grabbed a little net and walked out with it
- Have storage space if NYA continues to make this complicated

Registrar Update: Melissa

Challenge of how to keep coaches up to date with certifications. Need to do a better job
of moving them off of rosters if they don't complete modules

- Need to have current certification done, need age modules done before on the ice
- Background, Safesport needs to be done before you get on ice. First year coaches don't need extra certification
- Next Step need to copy Division Director and Jayson. Need better system. These are drop-dead dates – need better system
- What is the coach confirmation that goes from CBHA? We need a generic check-list (Matt has one from USA Hockey – this should be sent by Rachel to all coaches

Coaching Update: Bryan

Email going out to all coaches re: concussion protocol, game sheets, wearing helmet at practice, treatment of officials, treatment of benches (clean-up after games)

Casco Bay Academy: Joe

Ice back for Tuesday nights beginning Jan 21st. It had been given up when we didn't have numbers originally. Discussion of whether we need to change price. Decided that we never do this and it just doesn't make sense. Will re-open registration. Eben doing great job with BTI

TA Update: Meg

- Message about calendar sales went out to all membership 12/22 via email and each TA also distributed paper copies that weekend.
- Will distribute paper copies of calendar to BTI and LTP this weekend
- A second membership email reminder will go out in the middle of the month and Meg will ask all TAs to continue to push it.
- Online tickets and paper tickets due by Feb 1st, drawing at next Board meeting (Feb 3rd)
- Mike confirmed earnings last year were \$21,300 last year after expenses
- Increasing requests from TAs wanting their tournament schedule to be added to Sports Engine. Have explained that this is how we allocate ice and keep track of ice used we cannot have multiple users adding this information. TAs with the ability to can add event without adding an ice time. Mite TAs cannot put schedules in SE. After discussion with Rachel learned that all Mite schedules done solely through Casco website so there is no feasibility to use SE for this (all parents will be considered "fans" in SE rather than an admin as the TA/Coaches can be for U10 and older. Mite TAs will use app for the Leprechon Tournament but every other game needs to be communicated by TAs

FInancial Update: Mike

Scholarships - \$4,800 awarded to date. Only received \$860 donations through registration. Had \$15K in scholarship fund to start. Haven't moved money over from any other accounts. Will talk to Sarah about where those funds have come from in the past. In our annual budgeting meeting, we need to add in an amount that we are going to use for scholarships.