



YHC Board Minutes

Date: July 18, 2023
Time: 6:00 PM
Place: 123 N. Maple Avenue, Elmhurst
Meeting: Board Meeting
Present: Mark Soehn, Meghann Peiffle, Julie Collins, Tom Papadopoulos, John Maffia, Chrissy Brown, Todd Stasica, Frank Ciannella, Matt Boeing, Brian Finnerty
Guest: None
Regrets: Jessica Buenz
Call to Order: 6:10 PM
Agenda: July Board of Directors Meeting

I – Minutes

- May and June minutes were shared ahead of the meeting

II – President report

- Review of agenda to cover. Nothing more to report.

III – Finance

- Annual budget vs. actual for FY 2023 was handed out to each attendee.
- Will work with tax accountant for annual filing.
- FY 2024 budget will continue to be worked as we get closer to tryouts and post tryout results.

IV - Hockey Director Update

- Coaches participated in the NHLCA Coaches Convention in Nashville. Coach Boe shared the feedback and deck with the board. Great event, learned a ton to bring back to the club and thanked the board for their support.
- Preconditioning camp flyer and registration went out. Five days with two groupings – Fr/So and Jr/Sr.
- Tryout dates are set, with incremental cuts after each tryout.
- Season tournaments – all registered, not yet all paid. Boe will send over SHL budget, already sent North Central league budget to Julie
- Team Building event. Planned for 8/26-27 – Camping trip at Fox Run. It was agreed that Boe has the greenlight to secure a bus for transportation. A waiver/release form for the trip will be included in the player registration in Sports Engine. Boe will share the itinerary at next meeting.



- Potential Varsity Team building trip discussed and Boe will work to confirm based on cost and his plans. This would be over the 8/19-20 weekend at Fifth Third Arena. Varsity only.
- Varsity third jersey design in motion and budgeted, will include one for the moms for senior night – cost borne by families.
- Varsity coaching staff is locked and set.
- JV coaching staff is still be rounded out. Candidates are known and decisions will be made given coaches' availability and need/value by YHC coaches. There is a healthy pipeline of former YHC players interested in coaching as well.
- Coaching certification day @ Addison planned by Boe.
- League games are planned as followed – 30 games for Varsity and JV1; JV2 to have a 24-game season + all-star game. Ice for JV2 team is available and will be locked down once finalized.
- SHL scheduling complete. 8/27 – North Central scheduling meeting
- Ice after tryouts being planned for 8/23 and 8/30 – for all three teams
- Addison shooting room – up for redo; if interested – to be considered down the road
- Season off ice training – Still being confirmed, but will likely be on Tuesdays – all teams, back to back time slots
- Potential for additional goalie training 1x per month on Sunday's 11:10 am @ Willowbrook with Bobby. We buy the ice and pay for Bobby's time. Boe to confirm.
- Requests – YHC gloves for Justin (team manager); new YHC Polo's for coaches. Meg / Julie to discuss with Renee.

V – Events

- Golf Outing – **Sold Out**
 - August 10th @ White Pines Golf Club
 - Very strong sponsorship support
 - Mark on top of payments, etc.
 - Hats to all sponsors, Yeti tumblers, shirts based on sponsorship.
 - Food / Drink - John Maffia in control of and almost all confirmed.
 - Other
 - Volunteers needed – Communication sent out via email to the YHC families.
 - Sleeve of logo balls for each golfer
 - Beat the pro
 - Closest to the pin
 - Hole n 1 contest
- Parent night, 8/22 @ York Cafeteria, 6:30 – 8:30
- Uniform night, 8/24 @ EPL, 6:30 – 9:00
- Spirit night
 - Oct 13th target date
 - T-Shirt – washed green option agreed on, Chrissy to work on design and lettering
 - Benefit family – Jill Pettorelli helping to find a family
 - Slogan – Drop the Puck and Fight Cancer; agreed on



- T-shirt order will be > 300 as that amount sold out last year. Chrissy to confirm at future meeting
- Mix n Mingle – Thursday night, September 7th @ 7:30 @ The Club.
- Thanksgiving team skate and dinner (11/22) – ice followed by dinner
- Toys for Tots – December 8th + Future Dukes 8th grade skate before game – need to procure ice for Future Dukes skate
- Alumni Skate – 12/15; Perhaps looking at 12/22 if opponent can be found – look for two ice slots to accommodate number of alumni
- Team Holiday skate and Hat Exchange, 12/20
- Senior Night – Feb 2nd, last home game (Lake Forest)
- 2nd Dukes Future skate – Keep it Friday, 1/19
- Banquet – Post spring break; actual logistics to be determined later

VI – Hockey Operations Committee

- Nothing noted

VII Other Topics

- Girls Team
 - Reviewed potential numbers in 60126 and there are enough to support a girls team for the foreseeable future.
 - Cost for starting up < \$500, different LLC, bylaws, etc. YHC agreed to keep moving forward with plan to have a YHC girls team starting in Fall 2024
- Try Out Logistics
 - Volunteers will be needed for check in
 - Hockey Ops will be present at tryouts
 - No double rostering across any teams outside of YHC
 - Options available for goalies if more than needed, e.g., HS goalie pool

VIII – New Business

- Tryout registration to be finalized – Frank and Meg to meet and finalize inside of Sports Engine.
- Season registration inside of Sports Engine to follow tryouts

IV – Next meeting on 8/15 – Location TBD, might be Addison Ice Arena

Meeting adjourned – 8:35 pm