

November WYSA Minutes

11/13/23

Attendance:

Denis Hill, Matt Rogers, Steve Mitrano, Justin Santerre, Eileen Colleran, Amy Blain, Eric Hubert, Sean Guilfooy, Mike Brainard, Spencer Dalby, Ryan Burns, Brian Casey

Public Participation: Nathan Ferguson, Jimmy Bynes (?)

Minutes:

Motion to approve October minutes passed.

Financials:

Bills are continuing to come in. We've received \$114k in bills in the last month. These were all expected costs. We are still collecting LTS/LTP money. We are also cash positive for Middle School.

Refunds:

Motion to refund John McHenry and Chase Powers for LTS tuitions because they have decided not to attend. Motion passed.

Raffle Tickets:

We will do digital tickets this year. Michelle needs all of the full team rosters to pass out all tickets. Doing this digitally saves us \$400. Eric to send rosters to Michele.

A motion was made to move to digital for raffle tickets. Motion accepted.

Picture Night:

There is no availability at Hockeytown for picture night now. We will have to push this to January, possibly at WSSC. Eric to reach out to Michele and Colleen to coordinate.

Middle School:

We will have three teams: 5th, 6th/7th, and 8th. We are short on jerseys. We have ordered 44. Some kids may have to wear last year's jerseys.

Games begin December 1.

Motion was made to nominate Rick Morris as 5th grade coach. Motion passed.

Motion made to nominate Jeff Vinciulla as 6th grade coach. Motion passed.

Motion made to nominate Kevin Thomas as 8th grade coach. Motion passed.

Fundraising Planning:

Eric to set up a meeting to take place in the next week or two for a fundraising committee to begin planning the fundraiser.

LTS/LTP:

We are at capacity for now and will shut down this registration now and start a wait list. We need volunteers. Bill sent Eileen the registrations. Eileen to reach out to parents via email to ask for

volunteers. All volunteers need to take Safe Sport and have a USA Hockey registration. Brian would like a meeting with volunteers. No kid volunteers. Brian to check high school for any volunteers from there.

Boudreau Family:

Boudreau's are asking for donations to the Food Pantry and PAWS.

The Board would like to create an annual award in Joey's name awarded to someone/a family who supports Wakefield Youth Hockey. There doesn't have to be a winner every year. We can come up with a sub committee to decide what the parameters are.

A motion was made to create a subcommittee with Eileen, Sean and Mike. Motion passed.

A motion was made to make a donation in the Board's name to the Wakefield Food Pantry and PAWS. \$200 to each organization. Motion passed. Brian to cut checks.

Neck Guards:

The Board will email a statement strongly urging parents to get neck guards for their children. Eric to draft a letter. Eric will also have coaches copy and paste to their weekly communications emails.

Jerseys:

All additional rounds of jerseys have been delivered.

Executive Session:

Disciplinary issue – October 13 weekend at the Peewee 2 tournament in Waterville Valley. Brian, Sean, Jeff and Bill served on the subcommittee to investigate the incident and followed MA Hockey proceedings. Julian Abbott – according to all witnesses, kids were trying to “pants” him. Julian then pulled down his pants on his own exposing himself. No adults or coaches were present at the time. Following the incident, Julian also sent a text to one of his team members saying “I hate you. Die.” This is a violation of USA Hockey.

A Zoom meeting was held on November 1 with the Subcommittee, Julian and his parents. Julian had not been playing (under suspension) since the incident (3 weeks). He was assigned time served. From now on he must come to the locker room half dressed and leave half dressed for all games and practices.

Functional reports:

Imites: No issues.

Mites: No issues

Squirts: No issues

Peewees: No issues

Bantams: No issues

Midgets: Playoffs will be held this coming weekend.

Girls: Had first U8 game, U10/12 has had 2 games.

Coaching coordinator: Lock up has improved. And we have more stickers coming for the mats.

Sean can certify coaches for CPR. AHA charges \$50 per person.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm