

**Attendees:**

Board Members: Pat Burke, Jerry Heath, Peter Glass, Rebecca Stone , Bruce Garrapy, Dean Bartlett, Larry Hagerty, Deanna Cram, Kristin Romick, John Laliberte,  
Other Attendees:

**Notes:**

- Meeting called into order at 7:13
- Minute approvals: September minutes approved
- Open discussion from visitors: No visitors
- Treasurers Report:  
Reports (See attached)
- President: Information in new business
- Tournament Director:  
3 bantam teams and 3 pw teams so far for tournament. Had a bantam team back out : AYHA but their pw team is still coming.  
I forwarded application for Bantam A state tournament and Squirt Tier 2 regionals to Jeff Cabanaw. Will be ordering trophies and individual awards for the tournament. Options include a place in Colchester where we have done business in the past. Also look into Vermont Engraving in Essex.
- VP Travel : Craig is doing Mites, Peewees and Midgets, Jerry Bantam's, Scott Laplant all Squirts, Pat Burke U12 and U14. Craig Benson is retiring after this hockey season from scheduling. Larry is looking into people who might be interested in scheduling next year and who can shadow this year.
- Head Coach Report: Teams will be posted as soon as we know the teams.
- Registrar: Deanna is doing a great job!! It's a big job and everything is getting done!!
- Ice Coordinator:
- Women's Director: Rob is working really hard!
- Fundraising Report:
- Grow the Game: Austin is no longer able to be in the position
- State Rep  
10/13/09 VSAHA meeting summary.

Select team tryouts (registration is available on-line only at VSAHA)

***Girls U13, U15, U17 November 7,8 at Norwich University***

Boys U12-U17, TBD

We should make sure the coaches/parents of the Pee wee A/Bantam A teams are aware of the following.

Pee wee A and Bantam A state champions will go to the Tier II Nationals.

April 7-11

Tier II Youth (12U) Reston, Va./SkateQuest Reston & Ashburn Ice House

Tier II Youth (14U) Wayne, N.J./Ice Vault Ice Arena

Girls state champion will still go to regionals, National location is below.  
Tier II Girls (12U, 14U, 16U, 19U) East Lansing, Mich./Suburban Ice

Squirt B and Pee wee B state tournaments will be held over 2 weekends (regional format)  
**- note: championship weekend pairings will be determined by random draw.**

We need to register our Pee wee B/Bantam B invitational tournament with USA Hockey.

VSAHA is still searching for a new women's director.

Other organization news:

CSB is considering changing their program next year to have only 1 A team per level, and all other teams at each level will be equal and likely classified as A/B. in addition, they are considering limiting the travel to the non A teams to the Chittenden county area and are looking for local other organizations that may be interested in doing the same thing, possibly forming a local league. Dave Fisher is the CSB contact.

USA hockey wants a grow the game event in February...the focus is on 4-8 year olds. Every organization would grow by 2 players.

New England can not host a national tournament tier II for pee wee or bantams...According to USA hockey we are not equipped to handle this type of tournament.

#### **Next state meeting November 10, 2009**

Date for each Association to return the Tournament Participation Form to the Tournament Committee reflecting how many teams will be participating and at what levels. This should reflect any possible appeals.

Spit Season Regional Seeding Tournament for Midgets projected, depending on host site and number of teams. Both Major and Minor levels.

Split Season Regional Seeding Tournament for U-19 Girls projected, depending on host site and number of teams.

- Head Ref: Bruce is all scheduled Through thanksgiving. People can still get certified in Rutland this weekend. Other dates are listed on USA hockey. We will be closer to budget with Refs because of the Thanksgiving tournament.
- Past President:
- New Business : 1) Pricing for U14 eligible girls who play partial season due to making the high school team. Same for boys bantam age, high school eligible. Current policy, pay registration fee plus one month travel fee. **"Motion to modify the current pricing policy for all EYHA U14 and Bantam eligible players who make their respective high school teams in November, to pay only the registration fee. and to make this a pricing policy for 2009-10."** Motion moved and 2nded.
  - 2) Uniforms: Post registration: Needs to be handled through Dean. If players do not have jerseys they do not play.
  - 3) Approving Coaches: Motion to approve all coaches on the list.
  - 4) Bantam Goalies and BAHA. We have 5 Bantam goalies, BAHA has one. BAHA has an excellent Bantam team and coach (Joe Gervais). There is an opportunity for one of our goalies to go

there. The state will need to be notified and questioned if they will allow the goalie to play in the state tournament.

5) U12 girls and BAHA. It is a "worst case scenario" but there is a remote chance that BAHA may need to fold their U12s. They will absorb the top of the roster girls into their U14 program but may need a place for their developing U12 girls.

6) Email list updates: see attached

8) Concession Stand: Contract that central is drawing up will need to be signed before EYHA can do concessions. That contract is not yet complete.

9) Cross-ice Mites: Board agreed to host "mite" summit. The board reached out to people who stated they were interested but no one responded.

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<b>Action Items:</b>	<b>Date:</b>	<b>Responsible:</b>
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1. Kristin change Dean's home number to 878-6531 on email list
2. Pat wants to send updates from board.
3. Pat will look at ice times for practice for squirts and peewees. First option will be all squirts on ice Tuesday. Pat will look at other options.
4. Grow the game: Discussion at next meeting
5. Dean will get checks from all people who need jerseys...no money will be exchanged with Bruce.
6. Deanna to email Pat the Bantam Goalie's email info
7. Pete will talk to the state about the goalie being able to participate in states
8. Discussion to meet on Sunday's at the next meeting
9. Positive Youth Sports Alliance of Essex stickers will go on the back of the helmets. Coaches will put these on their helmets as well.
10. Postive Performance Conf on November 12<sup>th</sup> put on by the Positive Youth Sports Alliance of Essex. Pat will put this in his news letter.
11. Pat will look into background checks for coaches.

<b>Related Materials:</b>
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