

Essex Youth Hockey Association
Board Meeting – Essex High School -7:00 pm
May 19, 2011

Board Members: Pat Burke, Al Foice, Deanna Cram, Kristin Romick, Rebecca Stone, Matt Clark, Bruce Garrapy, Rob Young, John Laliberte, John Madelena, Dan Forcier, John Laliberte, Dean Bartlett, Larry Hagerty, Carney Daniels, Rob Sinkiewicz

Guests: Darlene Ramlin, Cbarwin, Tim Estes, Fran Estes, Adam Peterson, Mike Smith, Steve Young, Laura Pearce, Matt Fay, Jessica Barron, Jackie Palmer, Steve Schultz

Meeting called to order at 7:06

1. Meeting Minutes - review and approval March and April.

2. Visitor Open Discussion. – (10 minutes or as needed)

Adam Peterson came to a meeting to discuss a situation that he was involved in. A squirt a/b ineligible player played during state tournament. VASHA issued a sanction. The board has requested that Al Foice and Pat Burke discuss the sanction with VASHA.

Adam stated that he did not know the player was ineligible. The boards position is that people were aware that the student was ineligible but that there was miscommunication. There will be better communication regarding ineligible players.

3. Discussion items:

President's Report- Motion to have all head coaches take online course on concussion in Sports

- VP Travel Report –
- House Report –
- ACE / Head Coach report – Level 4 coaching clinic in UCONN in July.
- Treasury Report – Ice was more expensive then projected. Ref expense was higher then projected. Financial aide was also higher then projected. Assemble a budget committee. Hoping to start in June if possible.
- Registrar Update – Newbee and house ages 9-14 25 kids coming back. Mite 6-8 85. Age 5 18 kids. X-ice 14 kids coming back. Squirts 12, 5 X-ice mites. 20 house kids. U12 13. Pee wee's 38. U14 17. Bantam 25. Midgets 21+10
- Equipment Update – Has gotten the equipment back from all but 2 coaches. Squirt B and Midget coach.
- Ice Update-
- Fundraiser report -Red Bard fundraiser? Should we do it again.

Annual Golf Tournament 9/11 at the Links.

Concession strategy...need to keep working on this.

- Tournament Director –
- State Representative Report – Vasha has not gotten back to us regarding the ineligible player situation. Additionally the state is holding the return commissions because of the ineligible player situation.
- Head Referee Report –

- Woman's Report: - Essex Hockey players walking in the parade. Rob would like to hand out bookmarks. The kids will be division 4 section 8 which is at the beginning of the parade. Rob would like to do the Block party again and do another bring a friend in September. Rob also stated that he is concerned about the girls numbers dropping.

4. New Business

*Elections:

President: Steve Schulz

Treasurer: Darlene Remlin

Ice Coordinator: Rob Young

Ist Vice-President: John Laliberte

Secretary: Larry Hagerty

2nd vice President (travel): Charlie Barwin

*Next Year projections

U8 Committee: Create a better U8 program with skills and small games as the foundation. Keeps hockey fun for kids. Offers an additional level for kids called "Power House". Keeps hockey affordable (no increase for house or X-ice) –additional skill sessions are paid for by the PowerHouse program. This will gently push House Mites to move up to PowerHouse and Powerhouse kids will want to move up to x-ice mites by the nature of the program. Helps x-ice mites move toward the ADM practice to game ratios (baby steps...)

*Yamboree tournament: Bring back the yamboree tournament and have X-ice mites and House play.

*Paying for Level 4 training: Need to come back to this once we have more information.

*When to start registration

5. Old Business

*VASHA Tournament Violation Resolution

6. Next Meeting – Essex High School Rm C102

7. Adjourn Open Session @

8. Executive Session

9. Adjourn @

To Do:

*Next meeting discuss Red Barn

*Concession Strategy 2011/2012

*John M will put a proposal together for early registration and try-outs