

Armstrong Cooper Youth Hockey Association
Annual Meeting Minutes

October 11th, 2010 – 6:30pm

New Hope Ice Arena – Meeting Room #1

Meeting called to order at 6:37pm.

Board Member Attendance: Holly Martin, Troy Loken, Carolyn Soper, Greg Symicek, Alicia Brown, Dave McDonough, Mark Gauer, Len Lopez, Derek Olson, Jon Piazza, Matt Deterding, Greg Erickson, Joanna Rooney and Brad Caron.

Board Members Absent: Mike Goergen, Anne Winter, and Mike Baker.

Additional Representative to the Board Present: Tracee DeNeui, Gambling Manager and Larry Gonrowski, HDC Director.

Gambling Report: Tracee DeNeui Gambling Manager

- 1) Approval for Monthly gambling report
- 2) Approval for expenses for November 2010 \$29,375
- 3) Approval to pay September 2010 taxes to the City of Maple Grove \$339.71.
- 4) Approval to make a payment to SFM in the amount of \$1,496 for Workman's Comp Insurance. (est. total for the year will be \$2992)

Motion to approval above items by Len Lopez. Derek Olson second. Motion approved.

HDC update, Larry Gonrowski, HDC Director:

Bantam tryouts are complete. Placed a few players with injuries on appropriate teams. Pee wee is complete but the HDC has not had a chance to discuss the outcome. Will be reviewing at the meeting tomorrow. Goalie coaches are being requested by parents and working with Pete Samargia to put together a training program for the coaches so that they can coach the goalies more successfully. Evaluators, looking at different options for squirt and U10. Looked into the Maple Grove process and it will not work for our organization so still looking for a solution. Hitting some roadblocks for the dry land program and trying to work with the rink on the facility availability.

Discussion opened about the goalie evaluators at the Pee wee level tryouts and why another goalie evaluator was brought into the tryout process. Comments were made that

one of the assistant coaches at the pee-pee level had his own goalie evaluator that he wanted to add to the process. That was the only reason there was an extra evaluator.

***** Need to follow up on the goalie credit program. Dave McDonough to follow up on.***

Stick handling program:

Knowing the association doesn't have a large budget the HDC is talking about leaving it up to each team. The program would cost \$39 per kid and a 10 skater minimum per team. If purchased for each individual it would cost \$69.99.

Fundraising Program, Len Lopez:

The Chip Shoppe, Dawn Loberg presenter. Very profitable for the organization. Have a 98% repurchase on their products.

Equipment:

Jerseys for tryouts are being used as requested. –Question about whether ACYHA practice jerseys can be purchased for Squirt and U10 development camps. Teams are already planning and one level (Bantams) requested everyone wear the same color.

Apparel for levels discussed. Kim McDonough had worked with All Star Sports last year. The kids seemed to like the product last year. Would like to keep it local with All Star Sports. Bob from All Star Sports is looking at the level of commitment for this years apparel needs.

Derek Olson makes the comment that he hopes that if teams decide to go out on their own to buy apparel that they can use the correct logo that the board has developed and created to keep consistency to the brand and organization. Representing the brand is critical.

Brad Caron makes a motion that the board takes responsibility for directing what the teams can wear at each level and where they should purchase it. Len Lopez seconds. Motion passed.

Brad makes a motion to create a non-voting apparel coordinator position that handles all apparel. Greg Erickson Seconds.

Discussion: Question asked why should we have a new position when we have a position that could manage this process.

Votes in favor 4, nay 6. Motion to add a non-voting apparel coordinator does not pass.

Troy Loken makes a motion that the 2010-2011 season apparel preferred vendor be All Star Sports and is communicated to all managers and head coaches ASAP. Len Lopez second. Motion Passed.

Troy Loken makes motion of Color recommendations for apparel for 2010-2011 season:

Mites/u8-Navy; Squirts/u10-Red; Peewee/u12-royal, (rainbow team may have an alternative plan for this season for girls); Bantams-Grey. There will be no penalty if colors are not followed.

Holly Martin seconds motion. One nay, remaining votes in favor. Motion passed.

Managers Meeting:

Troy Loken scheduled for Sat Oct 16th meeting room 2 NH ice arena from 10-12noon.

Coaches Selection:

Greg Symicek requests approval for Peewee levels:

B2 blue Jason Noble

B2 white John Evans

C Shawn Harding

Troy Loken makes a motion to request approval of above coaches. Brad Caron Seconds.

Discussion that feedback has come back on the coaches in the past and Greg is going to do mid season evaluations. The coaches selection committee will be reviewing the midseason evaluations of all coaches this year and going forward.

*Addition to the motion *With the understanding that all coaches will be reviewed.*

All in favor. Motion passed.

***Mike Goergen will need to get with Greg on U12B coach approval this week after tryouts are finished U10 and Squirts will need a separate conference call for approval as well.*

Greg is asked how we assign assistant coaches.

Coaches have the authority to pick their assistant coaches. Derek Olson asks if we make recommendations for assistant coaches. There are no recommendations for whom the coaches should choose. It is a complete open format to choose and Greg will give information about the coaches if asked for it.

Policy and Guidelines Section 3 part 4 reference for Assistant assignment policy

Regular Business:

Troy Loken, Assistant Director:

C level meeting is scheduled for tomorrow at Blue line room at Plymouth.

Troy reports budget items for review from Mike Goergen's e-mail:

The budget shows us with an operating deficit of approximately \$43K this season. Fortunately, our beginning cash balance was around \$69K and we started the season with a \$34K ice credit with the city of New Hope. Thus, we will burn cash this year but should end with a positive cash balance.

We are looking at selling some ice to see if we can help the budget. It is very challenging to sell the extra ice because it is not at the times that most people want to buy. We committed to ice purchases in May and not having definitive numbers for the new season can make it difficult to match the needs of the teams that we end up with or having an overage.

Table the discussion to the budget and look at the numbers in review. In summary we are will wait until Mike can be in the discussion.

Mark Gauer, Treasurer:

Reconciled 13 bank statements through the last 30 days. Cash receivables have not been written off. Working on the amount that the team check books should start with in the beginning of the season. The amount of 2k is too much to put into the accounts. Question brought up on why we have to put any money in the accounts.

Troy Loken makes a motion to keep account receivables for only 12 months

0-12months past due amounts are classified as accounts receivable

After 16-18months, treated as bad debt

After 18 months, the amount is written off

motion 2nd by Derek Olson

Discussion on going after bad debt and just walking away from it is not a good idea and it is a very dangerous message. Comment made that the number is still in question and is so old that we will not be able to find out who is liable for it.

Motion is to reclassify the debt. One abstention noted. Motion passed.

Mark will follow-up with Alicia Brown on the 2 checks for volunteers whose checks did not clear the bank for volunteer hours in 2009-2010.

Jon Piazza, District 3 Representative:

No report. Troy Loken asked Jon for information on how the team schedules are determined within District 3. Does ACYHA have input on whether or not we schedule 1 game / team or a home and home with every team in the District?

Brad Caron, Traveling Boys Coordinator:

Squirts have good feedback on camps and Pee wee and Bantams are complete.

Matt Deterding, Mite Coordinator:

No report

Derek Olson, Ice Scheduler:

No Report

Greg Erickson

Squirt Classic a new tournament is coming to NHIA. Looking for 2 more Squirt teams. Pee wee A tournament set. U12 A is almost set, 6-8 registered. Bantam A is still in process, only 3 out of 8 registered.

Len Lopez, Fundraising:

Equipment swap raised \$257.00. Office supplies were purchased. Net for the equipment was 184.31. Thanks to All Star Sports for hosting the event! Sports Star Photo will be making a donation of \$800 to ACYHA. The 3 options for fundraising are Pizza, car wash and cookies. Going to make a decision soon on which ones we are going to run with for the season. Chipotle, November 9th is the ACYHA night. The Wild has selected ACYHA to be participants in selling programs at the game. They would like the participants to be 12 years old or older.

Troy Loken makes a motion that we make the October 19th to the bantam B1, Pee wee A, Pewee B1 and Pee wee C teams. Assuming 6 players per team and 3 adults per team. With 2 extra players and 2 extra adults spots available. Derek Olson seconds. All in favor. Motion Approved.

Alicia Brown, Volunteer Coordinator:

House keeping on current needs and new opportunities for volunteers.

Dave McDonough, Equipment Manager:

No Report

Joanna Rooney, Registrar:

Rosters are coming together and she needs more names to go with the numbers on the Peewees. The Rosters will be coming out by the 28th of October.

Carolyn Soper, Concessions Manager:

Turned in a PnL.

Holly Martin, Secretary:

Would like to have September regular and conference call meeting notes approved.

Holly Martin making a motion to have September meeting minutes approved. Alicia Brown second. Motion approved.

Holly Martin makes a motion for the September 28th conference call. Brad Caron seconds. One abstains. Motion approved.

Derek Olson makes the point that if a process or guideline is discussed to be changed it should be noted in the minutes.

The updated guidelines and procedures were changed and approved on July 18th. Have been posted to our website.

** Action item for Troy Loken to follow up with HDC director of the procedures through try-outs. Number of evaluators and consistency of the same evaluators seemed to vary at the Peewee Level. Troy will follow up on collection of the information and sharing the outcome.

Kendra only had 4 evaluators one night for the girls' try-outs because she had a no show during the tryout process. She also highly recommends that we should have the dry-land skills program put in place to give the benefit to our skaters. She also recommends that the HDC have notes taken at the meetings.

Matt Deterding makes a motion to spend \$1400 for the on-line stick handling program to have it put into the organization. It will be \$6 per player. Greg Symicek seconds. Greg Erickson makes a friendly amendment that the monies get put back to the team budget and then paid by the player. 6 yah and 3 nays. Motion passed.

***Action item. Troy Loken will task Larry Gonrowski on communication from the HDC meetings. Would like to recommend that there are minutes taken at the HDC to share the communication of the committee to the board and the members of the association.*

Len Lopez makes motion to adjourn meeting. 2nd by Holly Martin. Meeting adjourned at 10:21.

