

Webster Youth Hockey Association

Committee Meeting Minutes

August 21st, 2014 6:30 PM

Attendees: Darrin Jones, Todd Benezah, Fred Campbell, John Nohls, Tammy Hall, Umbereen Mustafa, Tom Flaherty, Shane Hill, Tom Klee, Heather De Vries, Keith Horan, Toni Audi

Called to order: 6:57 PM

Keith Horan: WNY hockey update

- All player information needs to be verified on Rosters.
- Rosters have a column for Safe Sport & Screening, need to be complete prior to being on the ice. Safe Sport to be complete by 10/1, screening modules by 10/31.
- Team managers need to collect Birth Certificate for anyone not verified in the system.
- Game score sheets need to be uploaded to website, Scrimmages etc., can be emailed.

Darrin Jones: President/Registrar

- Director of Operations (Tim Byrnes) – Resigned as Vice President of House. Terms was up in November 2014.
- 4 Roles coming up in November, Fred Campbell (Travel), Darrin Jones (Registrar), Tim Byrnes (VP of Operations), Tom Flaherty (Treasurer). Need to have Bill Hammond update the website.

Registrar

- USA Software, very difficult compared to last year. Very slow process entering rosters.

Tom Flaherty: Treasurer – Report

- Tax returns to be submitted by September 15, 2014.
- QuickBooks 13 – review of new software.

BY-LAWS

- In good faith we said that we were going to try to get the By-Laws done by August 21st, but it is not possible due to a number of situation, including an almost completely rookie board. It is more important to get the By-Laws right, not done by the deadline. Current Board is all under one year experience. We are not ready to vote 100% as a board on the By-Laws. By-laws cannot be voted on until November Meeting (per current By-Laws). Error made on agreement to vote on new By-Laws in August. Moving annual meeting to March, great move, better way to analyze how the season has gone. Not sure that we can do what we want to do legally.
- Should have Attorney involved in By-laws change. Recommendation: make a quick brief statement of changes. The most important issue seems to be having the organization opened up for coaches and parents to vote on board member, etc. Suggestion was made to state issues and present idea for corrective action, not completely changing the By-Laws
- We have accomplished so many things, but haven't met all the deadlines, too many changes are being made, not allowing for this to be done in a timely manner.
- Officers need to gather and submit finalized document to Board of Directors for approval.
- Umbereen requests a special meeting to address committee issues. Asked to consider nominating committee prior to November, feel it is very important. The board will find a way to get a special meeting together to discuss the By-Laws.

- Tony Audi discussed his disappointment in the Board not ready to vote on By-Laws tonight. He stated that it was the agreement that the board made.

Tom Klee:

- Brought to our attention the Semi-Annual Voter Delegate Form – which allows all individuals who sign the ability to vote on NYS Amateur Hockey Association issues, You must attend the meeting to vote.
- WYHA Empire Rep – possibly Carl Provenzano
- Midgets/Bantams – Horizontal Substitution A to A, B to B, Each player can substitute 2 X/yr.
- Empire Amateur Hockey Conference – Last meeting the Grizzlies were voted out, asked not to return.

Shane Hill: RWB update

- Schedules are being made for RWB and will be given back by September 12th to present.
- Jamboree is October 18th & 19th Bill Gray's Ice Plex, 8 AM – 4 PM. \$150-\$200 per team. September 23rd is the team count deadline.
- Having issues getting refs, might need to bring volunteers. Looking for younger refs, for lower ref fees.
- Discussed equipment rental box with John T., need to get the SAW Board involved in order to place drop box outside of building. This would allow people to drive through and drop off donated equipment without a hassle. Can not accept used helmets.
- Would like to discuss possible RWB off ice training program. Everyone was in favor of this idea.

Dan Sullivan: (Ice Scheduler)

- All travel teams have ice as well as the midgets. Only had one discrepancy.
- Very difficult to schedule three teams on the ice at one time. There have been a few communication issues with ice allotment.

Jeff Hall: Cyclones Challenge update: Spreadsheet

- The Midget 18U division still needs 2 teams. I will be forced to fold that division if it is not filled by 8/25. I will look to expand a division if that happens. -Most teams are paid and most have sent in rosters
- Ice is booked
- If the 18u division fills, the schedule on the spreadsheet is up to date
- Hockey World has donated a hockey stick for the raffle
- I could use some help down the home stretch with the 50/50 and volunteer scheduling

Jeff Hall, ADM:

- Attached House Ice Allotment
- 1) House teams will need weekday ice
- 2) Ice needs outside of the Webster Arena should be evenly distributed between all travel and house teams
- 3) Start dates for PW and Bantam should be moved up as outlined
- 4) All Development practices should be at Webster and scheduled back to back

Fred Campbell: Travel

Frank Riggi:

- not all travel Jerseys here, paid for or picked up yet. Pro Shop must get paid first, I check order and I distribute. Teams should allow a few days for me to sort order and verify. Navigation Men jerseys in yet. Extra jerseys are in. Many teams not paid yet. Socks will be distributed at time of jersey distribute. Jerseys can't be given out till Pro Shop paid first and I check jersey order. Only I should give these out.
- House jerseys first order is going in soon. Colors finalized for multiple teams in same WYHA division. See Todd B. For more details.

Tammy Hall: VP of Girls – Report

- 14U-16U full rosters, 12U little light and 19U light, Total of 60 girls. More girls teams this year than last. Last year Registration was closed as of July 31st, this year it was held open until August 31st.
- Canandaigua Girls name changed (Fingerlakes Breeze)

Todd Bezenah: House – Report

Level #'s are jumping daily. 19 Bathams, 19 PeeWee's, 24 Squirts, 39 RWB, 9 Pony's

- 1) Coaches. I have a list and would like to bring them up for discussions. Possible issue with PeeWee's, possible second team.
- 2) Coaches meeting date scheduled for September 5th. (House) 6:30 PM
- 3) Coaches meeting agenda - Sent
- 4) Fair play points and how it will impact the standings.
- 5) Practice schedules and clarification needed.
- 6) Uniforms and final counts – Navy Jersey, Gray Travel Jersey
- 7) Small nets for RWB...status on these.
- 8) Boulder Tournament March 6th – 8th B-Teams, March 13th -15th A-Teams

Tim Byrnes: VP of Hockey – Report

Heather De Vries: -

Questions:

Umbereen Mustafa – Communication Plan

What happened to my request? What is the Marketing goal of the Association, internal/external?

What are the priorities?

- Umbereen was officially made the Communications Director. (Cyclones courier)

Adjourned: 9:55pm