

NCCYHA BOARD MEETING

March 6, 2018

7:00 p.m.

Fredonia Beaver Club

PRESENT FOR MEETING: Shaun Fadale, Mike Whitcher, Nick Keefe, John Szydlo, Eddie Paluch, Brian Madurski, Andy Helwig and Kevin Persch.

OPEN PORTION OF MEETING: No attendees.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The 2/20/18 minutes were approved on motion by Eddie Paluch with second by Nick Keefe. All were in favor.

POSSIBLE NEW BOARD MEMBER: Candidate Nick Williams was introduced to the Board for possible new membership. Nick has two children playing in the organization, one in squirts and one in mites. Nick has been managing at the squirt level. He has a wealth of experience in youth recreation. Nick was questioned by the Directors of the Board and all felt that he is a strong candidate. Following the meeting, via e-mail, Nick Williams was unanimously approved as new Board member. His appointment will take effect upon Nick Keefe's resignation becoming effective.

TREASURER'S REPORT: John reported on the collection of registration fees for the upcoming tournament. On registration fees, John will work with Mark on apportioning fees for players who were dual rostered. John also reports that Sports Engine is still showing people owing who have paid. There are several registrations that are still owed due to the site not having updated credit card information. John reports that he should have that cleared within a couple of weeks. The High School team will likely be due a refund. John also reports that the 2017 990 form is due at the end of June. John will start preparation and should be able to present it at the April meeting. The treasurer's report was approved on motion by Brian Madurski with a second by Mike Whitcher. All were in favor.

COACHING COORDINATOR REPORT, HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY REPORT and WEBSITE REPORT: None presented.

REGISTRAR REPORT: It was agreed that the website has to be ready and open for registration earlier than in the past. This makes it easier to retain players and also to properly plan for next season.

OLD BUSINESS: Past discussions have revealed the impending severe goalie shortage that may affect all the divisions. A proposal was made to cut half the registration costs for goalies and providing a voucher for them to obtain goalie equipment, for up to 25% of the cost. The provision would apply to pee-wee, bantam and midget divisions. The 25% discount on equipment is not to exceed \$250.00. Shaun will draft the proposed policy and forward it, via email, for any editing and approval of the content.

Discussion was held concerning player development, as they move from half ice and mites to full ice and squirts. This might be titled "Extended Mite Development." John Szydlo will work on drafting an email to send to parents to determine interest in such a program.

It is not too early to start planning for the next Learn-To-Play-Hockey session beginning in September 2018. A program of distributing flyers in the schools has been productive in the past. Discussion was had as to distributing those flyers both at the end of the current school year and at the beginning of the 2018-19 school year. Kevin and Andy will work on these issues.

NEW BUSINESS: The mite jamborees may be discontinued next year. Western New York AHL is not satisfied with the program leading to good player development. There does not seem to be enough practice time. Brian reports that his company may be interested in sponsorship for teams in the NCCYHA. Brian will follow up on this and report further.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Motion by Brian Madurski, with second by Kevin Persch. All were in favor.