

Beaver County Amateur Hockey Association Meeting Minutes

8/22/2020

I. Call to order

Sean Cogis called to order the regular meeting of the Beaver County Amateur Hockey Association at 5:00PM on 8/22/2020 at Brady's Run Hockey Rink.

II. Roll call

Mike Leiper took roll of meeting attendance. The following board members attended:

President: Sean Cogis	Y	Midget Rep: Chris Keller	Y
1 st VP: Pat Mannarino	N	Bantam Rep: Randy Paulovich	N
2 nd VP: Ashley Ostrom	Y	PeeWee Rep: Brian Mecchia	Y
3 rd VP: Joi Paulovich	Y	Squirt Rep: Ian Hughes	Y
Treasurer: Maria Kreczowski	Y	ADM Rep: Jeremy Schmidt	Y
Secretary: Mike Leiper	Y	House Rep: TBD	N/A
ACE Coordinator: Dave Woods	N	Little Pens Rep: Julie Saibena	N

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Minutes from the 6/28/2020 were presented by Mike Leiper. Mike motioned vote to approve minutes as presented. Ashley 2nd. Minutes approved by unanimous vote.

IV. Treasurer Report

Maria presented a draft budget, but additional work is needed on proposed budget and player ice fees for current season. Maria to get Mike engaged to review and come back to full board with options for discussion and approval.

V. Open issues

- a) Head Coaching: In Dave's absence, Mike Leiper motioned to approve the following head coaches for 2020-2021 season. Brian 2nd. **Motioned passed by unanimous vote.**
 - (i) U18: Steve Crespo
 - (ii) U16: Pat Mannarino
 - (iii) Bantam1 and Bantam 2: Sean Cogis
 - (iv) Pee Wee1: Rich Lundy
 - (v) Pee Wee2: Ken Timmings
 - (vi) Pee Wee3: Adam Bianculli

- (vii) Squirt1: Eric Bendekovic
- (viii) Squirt2: John McGuire
- (ix) ADM: Bill Chamberlain (Board previously approved at 6/28/2020 meeting)

b) COVID USA Hockey/Mid-Am/PAHL Updates: Sean Cogis provided the following key updates...

- PAHL Organization presidents recently met and voted on several items. Voting results have not yet been published but Sean indicated that they are likely to result in the following changes for the upcoming season...
 - (a) No player/coach post-game handshakes
 - (b) Placement games for PeeWee thru Midget likely to be optional instead of required.
 - (c) Squirt placement games likely to still occur.
- PAHL is struggling to get clarity from multiple rinks (including Brady's Run) regarding COVID-19 related policies they plan to enforce for things like building capacity, max people on ice, etc... which is making it difficult for PAHL to plan for upcoming season.
- Mid-Am has reinforced with all organizations and rinks that USA Hockey policy is that there should not be more than 25 on the ice. Individual organizations are responsible if they don't adhere to that rule.
- PAHL will conduct game scheduling meetings on Oct 10-11th.

c) Open Positions

- Safe Sport Coordinator: Nobody has identified an interested candidate
- Team Manager Coordinator: Robyn Best is interested in this new position
- Puck Stop Coordinator: Melissa Frkuska is interested in continuing in this position

Joi motioned to approve Robyn Best as Team Manager Coordinator and Melissa Frkuska as Puck Stop Coordinator for upcoming season. Maria 2nd. **Motioned passed by unanimous vote.**

d) Puck Stop

- Dan Frkuska attended meeting to share the following suggestions from Melissa for Puck Stop operations.

- Need resolution of rink internet issue that is adversely impacting ability to track inventory and process credit card payments.
 - Recommend removing keys from county employees to minimize access to the Puck Stop. Need tighter controls for who has access in order to ensure better profitability.
 - Requested security cameras
 - Coordinator plans to replace who picked up supplies
 - Coordinator needs earlier notification of practices/games to ensure appropriate Puck Stop coverage
 - Requested new oven and cheese machine
 - Requested cleaning service
 - Requested that Puck Stop not be used for non-food service related purposes (EMT bags, picture pickup, etc...) for safety and security purposes
- Sean noted that the board will take these recommendations under advisement. It is uncertain whether the Puck Stop will be open this coming season due to COVID-19.
- e) TeamSnap vs. SportsEngine
- Maria explained that SportsEngine does not have the ability for her to apply credits to player accounts (ex. Multi-player credits, fundraiser credits, credits for payments received via check, etc...).
 - We will proceed with using TeamSnap to manage all age groups except ADM this year given financial tracking limitations of SportsEngine. SportsEngine will be used only for ADM since that is where ADM registration already occurred. Sean to follow up regarding finalization of SportsEngine site given that usage of 2 different sites complicates our abilities to effectively communicate with all of our Badger families.
- f) Golf Outing: Jeremy provided brief update on status. Board discussion reinforced that Golf Committee is authorized by board to manage event expenses with objective of ensuring profitability of event. Golf Committee indicated that based on current projections, they expect to achieve at least \$3500 in profitability to contribute to current season budget.

VI. New business

- a) GameDay EMTs: Dom Santucci attended start of meeting. Ian motioned to approved Dom Santucci as EMT coordinator for upcoming season, paying EMT coordinator and

EMT game day workers at same fee as last season. Ashley 2nd. **Motioned passed by unanimous vote.**

- b) Coach/Volunteer Clearances: Joi and Ashley provided updates on coaching clearance progress. Joi needs annual USA Hockey Registration, SafeSport, and USA Hockey National Level Background checks ASAP as these are required before coaches are permitted on ice. Ashley is tracking the 3 state clearances (FBI, PA Child Abuse, PA State Police Background) that expire every 5 years. Ashley has notified that these 3 clearances need to be provided by 8/28/2020.

After much discussion because of the new \$30 National Level Background check, Ashley motion to only reimburse clearance charges for head coaches. Assistant coaches and Board members will not be reimbursed for any clearance charges. Chris 2nd.

Motion passed by 7-1 vote.

- c) Skills Training: Sean provided a brief update on potential skills trainers. Maria instructed to factor in \$100/hr for goalie instructor, \$110/hr for Jen Sarver, and \$300/hour for TK training in order to come up with proposed budget options. No direction was provided for how many hours of each type of skill instruction should be included in proposed budget.
- d) Fundraising: Ashley provided an update that she is taking over fundraising efforts for this season. The typical lottery ticket fundraiser will occur like in prior years and Maria will proceed with ordering lottery tickets. Ashley plans to offer an additional 3 fundraisers to individual families for help with offsetting ice fees.
- e) There were no additional Standing or Sub-Committees discussions.
- f) Standing Committees
- By Laws (C. Keller):
 - Ways & Means (M. Kreczowski):
 - Finance (M. Leiper):
 - Long Range Planning (I. Hughes):
 - Nomination (A. Ostrom):
- g) Sub-Committees
- Registration (J. Paulovich):
 - Development (D. Woods):
 - Public Relations (B. Mecchia):
 - Picnic/Golf/Holiday: (J. Schmidt):
 - Referees (P. Mannarino):

- Pictures (R. Paulovich):
- Tournaments (R. Paulovich):
- Banquet (C. Keller):

VII. Adjournment

Sean Cogis adjourned the meeting at 7:15pm.

Minutes submitted by: Mike Leiper