

EYHA Board Meeting
Essex High School
June 20, 7pm.

Board Members Present: Sarah Stempek, Frank Parisi, Amanda Cowan, Mike Ginnett, Drew Hier, Joe Anger, Sean O'Connell, Mike Smith, Bruce Garrapy, Katelyn Tessier

Board Members Absent: Kim Shunk, Rick Villamil, Dan Forcier

Community Members: Adam Hammond, Scott Prim, Kara Collier

Call to Order: Sarah Stempek, President of the board, called the meeting to order at 7:01pm.

Previous Meeting Minutes (March and April): Motion to approve the May meeting minutes
-motion approved

Executive Updates:

Treasurer- Frank Parisi.

Proposal for 2019-2020 Budget. Budget is based on 150 players (this is a conservative guess based on 10-15 that we know are leaving). Other considerations include the increase in amount that SportsEngine is charging for registration, as well as taking out fundraising profits from BackStage (which closed this spring).

-Proposal keeps ice time amounts the same as last year.

-Proposal increases cost amounts: \$50 increase for NewBees, \$75 increase for House players, \$125 increase for Travel players.

-This also includes increases in fees for 3 Vs. 3 Tournament (\$125 to \$175) and Yamboree Tournament.

-Motion by Joe Anger to approve EYHA 2019-2020 budget, seconded by Mike Smith.
Motion approved.

Ice Coordinator-Renee Soutiere. Not present, but sent the following updates:

- Received schedule from Waterbury for reserved ice
- Meeting with Essex to review booked ice (meeting scheduled for 6/25)
- Negotiating with UVM to get more ice from them, if possible

Fundraising Coordinator-Kim Shunk. Not present.

-we are looking to put together a fundraising committee to help with various tasks.

-suggestion to schedule Calcutta at beginning of season. Mike Smith will be looking at new venues.

-EYHA will sell food at 3 Vs. 3 Tournament.

VSAHA Rep- Mike Ginnett. Nothing new to report.

Head Referee- Bruce Garrapy. Nothing new to report.

Registrar- Drew Hier. Needs the new fees to enter into registration pages. There will be automatic slotting into team groups (10U, 12U, etc) based on birth dates.

-Drew will get registration up for 3 Vs. 3 Tournament.

Travel VP- Joe Anger. Will need team counts once registration is done and will then look to see what teams are interested in for tournaments. He will continue to have one more locally and one further away.

House VP- Sean O'Connell. Nothing new to report. Looking for someone to run House Mites. Kara Collier will be the NewBee coordinator.

House Representative- open position.

Women's Director- Katelyn Tessier. UVM women's team will be coming to a girls 8U, 10U, 12U combined practice. The 12U will also be skating during intermission at a UVM game during the season.

Head Coach- Mike Smith.

-Dates for Bruins Learn to Play Academy:

-Meeting with Noel at Essex on 6/24 to go over ice times for Welcome Back skates and Evaluation dates.

-Looking to host a 3 Vs. 3 8U Tournament on New Years Day.

-Mike is helping with Hockey Night at Lake Monsters Game July 21st. If EYHA volunteers run 50/50 raffle, we can earn proceeds. We are also getting \$2.50 per ticket on tickets sold through our website.

-There are VSAHA try out skating dates this summer around the state.

Tournament Director- Rick Villamil. Not present, no report.

Equipment Coordinator- the position is currently vacant. Frank nominated Sean Haggerty to fill the position of Equipment Coordinator, Katelyn Tessier seconded the motion.

-Motion approved

Secretary/Safe Sport Coordinator- Amanda Cowan. The July 18 and August 15 board meetings will take place at the Essex Junction Fire Station.

Past President- Dan Forcier. Not present, no report.

President- Sarah Stempek.

-Sarah and Joe met with BAHA and CSB about putting together some "A La Carte" options for extra clinics to be offered for players. Looking to put together a sub committee to organize this along with the other organizations (Mike Smith, Joe Anger, Drew Heir have offered to be on committee).

New Business:

-2019-2020 proposed budget (see info in Treasurer update).

-Presentation/proposal from Sports Central for online store: Scott Prim presented offerings for Sports Central online store. We can go to essexyouthhockeyapparel.org to see site that they made for us. Site is customizable, we can look at products (including CCM and products that are more affordable). The site can, but does not have to be, a fundraising site. At the end, Sports Central will be giving a percentage back to EYHA. In addition, EYHA can choose to fundraise an additional percentage on products (ie. adding % on to cost). The online store can be open multiple times (approx. open for 2-3 weeks at a time). Turnaround time is 2 weeks.

-Follow-up discussion on changing name of House Rep. to Communications Director:

According to bylaws, "Amendments may be made if approved by at least 9 board members and two thirds of association at an Annual or special meeting". This is vague and it is unclear what two thirds entails. It was suggested that a vote by proxy be done. A notice must be given a month ahead of time. 9 or more visitors will need to attend meeting in order for vote to happen.

-Sarah would like to change House Rep. position to 8U Coordinator, and add Communications Director. A description will need to be written for new positions. The positions will need to be appointed for 1 year terms. If descriptions are accepted by board in July meeting, notice will be sent out and Special Meeting will be added to August board meeting for vote.

****Board Members-** please write down descriptions for positions and bring to July meeting so that we can create one description for each.

-Decision on vendor for EYHA online clothing store: The equipment manager will oversee online clothing store and will make a decision on vendor, therefore a board vote is not required.

-Street Hockey Tournament:

- will have indoor rinks only
- Drew will put up link for registration with \$175 fee
- MMU boys hockey will volunteer
- Frank and Drew will work on food table

Next Meeting: July 18th at 7pm, Essex Junction Fire Department.

Adjourn Open Session at 9:57pm.