



# Waukesha County Youth Hockey Association

## Meeting Notes – October 2015

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### **Introductions**

- President - Michael Nevins
  - VP On Ice – Jeff Glaspy
  - VP Off Ice – Carrie Konopacki
  - Treasurer – Scott Danielson
  - Secretary – Susan Eutizzi
  - Bantam Level Director – Dawn Duellman-Arndt
  - Squirt Level Director - Paul Kasprowicz
  - Mite / MM Level Director – Joe Lyman
- Absent: Pee Wee Level Director – Nicole Schroeder -Peschel*

### **September Meeting Minutes**

Meeting notes are posted on the WCYHA website following the approval of the board.

- Motion to Approve - Nevins
- Second –Kasprowicz

### **September Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer reviewed report for September. Anyone interested in obtaining a copy of the Profit and Loss Statement for WCYHA, should submit the request to Treasurer, Scott Danielson.

- Motion to Approve - Glaspy
- Second – Lyman

### **Unfinished Business**

#### **Girls Hockey**

- Girls Only Try Hockey for Free October 11<sup>th</sup>. Waukesha Wolves would like to partner with WCYHA to better promote girls hockey.

## **WAHA Grass Roots Grant Program**

- WCYHA would like to submit for a grant program with WAHA – The President will submit on our behalf. Submission details to be confirmed at future board meeting.

## **New Business**

### **Manager/Scheduler Meeting**

- Happened on October 11<sup>th</sup>. All of the managers and schedulers that attended – thank you. Thank you to Kathleen McKnight for helping. All of the binders will be available in the boiler room at Eble for each team to pick up. Not all of the teams have managers and/or schedulers identified, so that has to be taken care of. The coach's jackets will be ordered for any of the coaches. Each team can have up to 4, but the teams can order more but the team would pay for the cost.
- Team rosters need to be turned in. The decision can be made if the team managers want to be listed on the roster, it is optional; but they need to be certified by SafeSport and go through the background check if they are listed on the team roster.

### **Referee Clinic**

- October 25<sup>th</sup> clinic at NAG – there was an email sent out to the Association, you have to be 12 by the last classroom session in order to referee.

### **Additional Coach Approvals**

- Pending until closed session

### **Explain Team Representative Position**

- The Team Rep position acts as note taker for your team and we ask that you send it out via email with your level director on copy.
- The policy and procedures reflect that the team representative need to attend November – March. May need to update since many are here tonight starting in October. Team representatives need to attend 4 meetings, unless we have December meetings. If you can't attend then have someone come on your behalf. Every team should have a team representative.

### **Release Final Schedule to Team**

- Game schedule and practice schedule released to team. This is always a challenging process because we have to work with other Associations to get the schedule finalized.

### **WCYHA Skater Scholarships**

- We have three scholarships which were reviewed at the Parents Meeting. The due date is November 6<sup>th</sup>.

### **WCYHA Marketing Opportunities**

- Reviewed an area Association that did a really effective job to advertise their Association. An idea to better promote the Association with marketing at the rinks.

- Joe Lyman will work on getting additional marketing materials produced.
- Michale Nevins and Joe Lyman will work on putting something together, along with Dawn Duellman-Arndt.

### **Waukesha Holiday Parade**

- Discussed options to participate in the Waukesha Holiday parade, Joe Lyman offered to donate the banner. Have kids walk in the parade wearing their jersey – some could even roller blade. We can also hand out a recruitment card to promote the Learn to Skate in February.
- The parade is November 22<sup>nd</sup> in the city of Waukesha. It is \$25 to participate.
- Need to add this to our planning calendar to also participate in the July 4<sup>th</sup> parade.

### **Region 5 Meeting Update**

- There were three board members in attendance at the meeting for WCYHA. There was a vote at the meeting all of the Region 5 to have teams divided by 1/3 1/3 1/3 for MM / Mites. Need to ensure the referee payments are in line with the other Associations. Al Deming and Don Mulder are now with USA Hockey Association.

### **President Update**

- We did get a new set of Croix boards for Eble, which will be a great additional for our Association.

### **VP On Ice Update**

- Tryout and placement is done. This last Sunday we had our coaches meeting to discuss skating form and basics and introduction of body contact drills at all levels. This should help the skaters get used to that style of play going forward. This will help the kids be prepared when they move up each year.
- Thank you to all of the coaches, volunteers, thank you to the board for all their help.
- Student coaches will still be accepted, if interested, please contact the VP On Ice.
- JJ Watt Foundation – Should consider applying for funds for our organization. We could apply to the organization for funds to offset equipment. This could be an opportunity to apply for funds from this foundation to offset to Breast Cancer game jerseys.
- Update for off ice training – The video from Peter will be ready in the coming weeks – to come up with a plan to help kids with off ice training. It should be positive – he will continue to monitor in training and increase in strength.

### **VP Off Ice Update**

- We still have coordinator roles that are still open. We need to have someone for the coaches' game which is currently scheduled for Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup>. We do need a referee coordinator, we have a parent – that moved to the Waukesha Wolves, she would be willing to continue to do it but asked if we could pay her volunteer fee for the Waukesha Wolves.

## **Bantam Update**

- Thank you to all the Bantam families and all volunteers.
- We really need to consider how we can challenge these out-of-district players on their commitment. Out of District players have to pay a non-refunded \$150 fee and have to make the A Team or they forfeit. If there is a release then there is not a requirement on the non-refunded fee.

## **Pee Wee Update**

- No Update – *level director absent*

## **Squirt Update**

- Thank you to everyone for the work for tryouts. The Manager / Schedulers are on the website, so it is updated on the site and already have access.

## **Mite / Mini-Mite Update**

- Teams are in the process of being picked and team managers identified.

## **OPEN FORUM**

- Second round of invoices will be going out next week.
- The Mom's Charity event was wonderful and thanks you to Sara Nygard for coordinating. The event generated \$3,000+ for Breast Cancer Charities
- Regarding Body Contact – How are the referees going to be trained on identify the difference? We need to have a logical approach on teaching kids to understand checking. The goal is to have the kids start learning early – all of the coaches received a book with over 50 drills to work on age appropriate body contact.
- There has been some improvement on the referee training to identify the difference .
- 70 mites – when can we split into 2 practices. It is congested and we are having kids / coaches fall due to the amount of skaters on the ice – lack of control. The Board will take that into consideration and follow-up at next board meeting.
- Jersey's should be in on Friday, so we will get those out to everyone. We will send out an email. Socks should be distributed for those that did not get them at the parents meeting.
- Pictures are October 26<sup>th</sup>.
- The mite goalies bags will be replaced, Marquette provided those at a discounted rate because they had a printing error on them.
- Tryout jerseys will be procured for the Association – we will evaluate and take bids on costs.

## ***Meeting Adjourned.***