

NCCYHA BOARD MEETING

March 2, 2021

7:00 p.m.

Via Zoom

PRESENT FOR MEETING: Shaun Fadale, Kevin Persch, Eddie Paluch, Mark Taylor, Andy Hellwig, Nick Williams, Andy Davidson and Mike Witcher.

OPEN PORTION OF MEETING: There was no public portion conducted due to the setup of the meeting.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of 2/2/21 Board meeting were reviewed and approved on a motion by Nick Williams and a second by Kevin Persch. All were in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Nick Williams reported that checks were issued to Shaun and Mike Mead so that they had money to pay the referees for games. The January ice bill from Northwest Arena was checked against our ice schedule by Andy Hellwig and confirmed as correct. Nick will issue a check for \$6970.00 in full payment of that bill. Mark Taylor sent in receipts for his out of pocket expenses and Nick will issue him a check for reimbursement. On a motion by Mark with a second by Andy Hellwig, with all in favor, the Treasurer's report was approved.

SCHEDULER'S REPORT: As noted above, Andy Hellwig verified the January ice bill as correct, having matched all ice times against his schedule. He also noted that the rest of the schedule for the remainder of the season is set. There have been a few COVID related cancellations. Northwest Arena did not charge for some ice times that had to be cancelled due to weather. Andy also noted that any further COVID related cancellations could result in forfeits if no ice alternatives could be found.

COACHING COORDINATOR REPORT: Mark Taylor reported that he had received two applications for the Modified team. Shaun Fadale has also expressed interest. Due to the lack of applications or interest for other teams, the issuance of a league wide e-mail was discussed. The need is especially critical at the Mite level. There was also discussion at this point of the meeting as to possible Squirt numbers for next season. The estimate is a possible 30 players.

HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY REPORT: Mark reports that the High School Hockey is up and rolling. We have good coaches in place and there is no shortage. We have 18 Varsity players and 12 ó 13 JV. On March 9, League fees are due - \$2500 for Varsity and \$2250 for JV.

WEBSITE REPORT: Andy has the Modified team registration up and running.

REGISTRAR'S REPORT: No updates at this time.

COVID-19 REPORT: The contiguous border rule has been lifted. Teams are free to travel beyond the contiguous county.

STEGER AWARD: We will be accepting nominations from head coaches of Mite team of Ron Tonelli; Squirt of Shaun Fadale; PeeWee of Nick Keefe; JV of Mike Mead; Varsity of Mark Taylor.

OLD BUSINESS: Modified team details of follow guidance from WNYHSCHL President Steve Ferrentino.

NEW BUSINESS: Although nothing was firmed up, there was discussion of the need for a price increase next year. There seems to be consensus that parents want more ice for their children. If ice is available at SUNY Fredonia next season, given the desire for more ice, we may have to supplement that ice with ice at another rink, perhaps Northwest. For year-end parties, nothing will be in person. Gift certificates as an end of season gift, will be distributed at each team's last ice time. Discussion also involved developing better skating skills with power skating clinics. Mark will approach coaches he knows to see about them running something for us.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Made by Nick Williams with a second by Eddie Paluch. All were in favor.