

Eastern Shore Hockey Association
Meeting Minutes

July 13, 2021

I. Call to order

Michael Corner called to order the regular meeting of the ESHA board at 1803 on July 13, 2021 at the First Wesleyan Church.

II. Roll call

Michael C. conducted a roll call. The following persons were present:

President – Michael Corner	Chief Manager – Dave Levasseur
Vice President – Dave Connolly	CBHL Rep – Dave Finlay
Secretary – Amy Grier	EJEPL Rep – Mike Watson
Scheduler – Colin Fluharty	

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

M. Cornereting minutes from June were submitted for approval. Motion for approval by Michael C., Seconded by Dave C., All in Favor.

IV. Director and Officer Reports

- a) President – Covered in New Business
- b) Vice President – Suggestion made to have a bulletin board on the Hockey Entrance side to communicate Parent/Player Conduct and general ESHA notices to members. Reported that the rink is purchasing 2 new compressors.
- c) Secretary – Presented hockey helmet decals for Board review for 10U Fundraiser. Amy G. and Michael C. will proceed with ordering the helmet decals. Motion by Michael C. to have Team Managers notify the Board of fundraising plans utilizing the Icehawks logos prior to proceeding, Seconded by Dave L., all in favor.
- d) Registrar – Not present
- e) Treasurer – Not present
- f) Hockey Director – Not present

- g) Scheduler – No middle school hockey updates at this time. Colin F. plans to send out an interest survey in September. Michael C. will reach out to the SSPP coach to determine their level of interest. Discussion of optional dry land practices for all ESHA teams at the First Wesleyan Church. Proposed schedule Tuesdays 8U/10U at 6pm, 14U at 7pm, and Wednesday 12U at 6pm, 16U/18U at 7pm. Colin F. made a motion for the ESHA Board to pay \$300 to book Tuesday and Wednesday evenings 5pm to 9pm from now until on ice practices begin, Seconded by Michael C., All in Favor. Official schedule for times to be determined. Potential meeting with the rink this week.
- h) Communications Director - Vacant
- i) 8U Director - Vacant
- j) CCHL Rep – Not present
- k) CBHL Rep – Dave F. noted that the EJ Roster will be needed very soon. Plan to check with Registrar regarding this.
- l) EJEPL Rep – 1st showcase is at the end of August. Referees are still looking for U14-U16 players who may be interested in completing online training to assist the Mid-Atlantic region with reffing Mites games.
- m) Chief Manager – Discussion about updating the ESHA case at the front of the rink and about creating a communication board for ESHA on the hockey side. Dave L. and Dave C. will work on this project.

V. Old business

- a) Manager Roster – Dave L. has all of the Team Managers except Rob W's. He will finalize with Rob W. and send the list to Michael C. and Vince A. to begin the process of setting up account access and cards.
- b) Logo Orders (Ice) – Rob W. has placed the order for the updated logo for the ice and it arrive in time to place under the ice. New nets were ordered and received.
- c) New Players – 1 new mite and 2 new 10Us have registered in the last week.
- d) Skills Coaching – Michael C. has been in communication with Evan Eichler on Kent Island. He has requested details on what ESHA is looking for. Dave F. has had communication with a group in Delaware. Michael C. will speak with Rob W. to get the details together and have a proposal by next meeting.

VI. New business

- a) Final CBHL Declarations – 8U needs to be decided by 7/19/21. Michael C. proposed 8U be designated as Wales – B, Seconded by Dave C., All in Favor. Other designations are as follows: 10U Wales, 12U LA, 14U UA, 16U LA, and 18U UA. Dave F. will submit these designations to CBHL.

- b) Rule Changes – Every 4 years the rules are updated. Updates this time include:
 - (i) “Reckless Endangerment” – If penalty is intentional -> Max penalty
 - (ii) Minor Penalties – Changed from 5 to 4 -> Game Misconduct
 - (iii) Progressive Suspension for Coaches -> Misconduct with 3 game suspension
 - (iv) Abuse of Officials -> Match Penalty - > 30 game penalty
 - (v) No Icing at any time across all age levels – attempting to force the players to have more puck control
 - (vi) No longer any delayed offsides calls
 - (vii) Team with >12 penalties in a game -> Coach Suspension for 1 game
 - (viii) Point of Play – Body checking must be done while playing the puck with stick on the ice
 - (ix) Possible changes to lengths of penalties

- c) Ice Purchase for 12U & 14U Blue – 12U and 14U Blue are EJ teams with games starting prior to ice availability at Talbot. 2 ice spots have been secured at Bowie for \$680. Options for coverage of the cost are the Board paying for the ice time versus the teams’ families donating the money. Motion made by Dave C. for the Board to pay \$680 to cover the ice time, Seconded by Michael C., All in Favor. The Board will also entertain requests for financial coverage of ice time from teams if they have tournaments scheduled prior to ice availability at Talbot.

VII. Additional Items

- a) Complaints Against a Ref – The past 2 years there have been multiple complaints regarding a particular ref from coaches and parents. Dave F. will get contact information for how to report and have the concerns addressed.

- b) Practice Schedule – Tentative schedule was sent out to the Board for review in June. Colin F. will check with Rob W. prior to officially communicating the schedule to the

organization. Dave F. made a motion for Colin F., Michael C., and Rob W. to sign off on the schedule when confirmed, Seconded by Michael C., All in Favor.

- c) ESHA Business Cards – Michael C. made a motion to purchase ESHA business cards/promotional cards valued at <\$100, Seconded by Colin F., All in Favor.
- d) Spirit Wear – Michael C. will talk to Rob W. in regards to getting Spirit Wear up and running.
- e) Communications Director – Position still vacant. Dave F. will continue to fill this role for now, but need to find a volunteer. Michael C. will send out an email to the organization requesting volunteers.
- f) Future Meeting Dates – August 10th at 6pm, location The First Wesleyan Church *** This is the last meeting prior to the beginning of the season. Michael C. has requested everyone's attendance if possible.

VIII. Adjournment

Michael Corner adjourned the meeting at 1921.

Minutes submitted by: Amy Grier

Minutes approved by: Michael Corner

Action Items:

Michael C. will

1. reach out to SSPP Hockey Coach to assess level of interest in a Middle School Team
2. work with Vince A. to get account cards set up for managers once official list is received from Dave L.
3. speak with Rob W. about getting a proposal together for skills training prior to August meeting.
4. sign off on the proposed practice schedule with Colin F. and Rob W.
5. look into ESHA business/promotional cards.
6. send an email out to the organization requesting volunteers for the Communication Director position, and the practice schedule and dry land practices, if confirmed.
7. Discuss Spirit Wear with Rob W.



Dave C. will

1. work with Dave L. on getting an ESHA communication board set up on the hockey side and updating the ESHA case at the main entrance side of the rink.

Amy G. will

1. finalize the order of the helmet decals with Michael C.

Colin F. will

1. speak with Rob W. regarding the proposed practice schedule and approve it with Rob W. and Michael C.
2. work with Michael C. and Rob W. on a schedule and plan for Dry Land Practices.

Dave L. will

1. speak with Rob W. to get the finalize list of team managers and will forward on to Michael C. and Vince A.
2. work with Dave C. to get the Communication board and promotional case created/updated.
3. communicate to the Team Managers to let him know if they will be using the logo for any fundraisers and he will relay that to the Board.

Dave F. will

1. submit the CBHL designations for the teams.
 2. get contact information to Michael C. for submitting complaints about referees.
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