Minutes of the CHC Board of Directors Meeting, September 26, 2017

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL** Chuck Wilkerson brought the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

Directors Present: **The following directors were present**: Avon, Central, CT Northern Lights, CT Polar Bears, CT Riverhawks, Darien, East Haven, ECHO, Enfield, Greater New Haven, Greenwich Skating Club, Griffin, Hamden, New Canaan, Northeast, Northwestern, Norwalk Roughriders, Pawling, Putnam, Ridgefield, Shoreline Sharks, Simsbury, South Windsor, Southeastern, Southern, Wallingford, Watertown, West Hartford, West Haven, Western, Whalers, Wonderland and Yale.

Board Officers Present: Vice President Chuck Wilkerson and Treasurer, Mike Federico.

Other CHC officials (non-voting) present: Mary Turner, Registrar, Kathy Ludwig; Eligibility Chairperson and District 1 Commissioner; Graham Gill, Girls and Women’s Director; Tom Regan, New England District, Bruce Wolanin, Coach in Chief, Barry Zalcman, Referee in Chief, Ken Dixon, Grow the Game Rep and Mike McCullough, New England District Registrar.

**ACCEPT THE MINUTES**

Accepting the minutes was tabled until the next meeting.

**Reports**

**President:**

* N/A

**Treasurer**:

* Financial report distributed.
* Tournament deposits of $500/declared team are due now and payable to CHC.
* Grow the Game grants up to $500 are still available to those that haven’t already submitted this year.

**Referee in Chief:**

* N/A

**Website**: Mike McCullough

* Asked for Midget T1 and T2 scoresheets to be legible and include opponent, date and rink information. Be sure to cross out players that aren’t dressed for the game

**Commissioners**:

* We need to get the word out to stop fighting at the Undeclared Midget level
* Talks are happening with the CIAC to have penalties carry over the HS season

**Eligibility/Release/SafeSport/Screening**:

* Releases continue to come in. All programs are reminded that they must get a release for ALL new players.
* Please review rosters and look at the release list posted to the CHC website. Players cannot be rostered unless a release has been obtained.
* SafeSport- all coaches, board members, volunteers must complete SafeSport every 2 years. Your registrar has a list of all those screened. The new date for the new system will be available on 11/8
* Screening – Some screenings are picking up old issues and not being cleared. If a screening isn’t cleared for a volunteer, the USA Hockey database will not be updated at this time
* Reminder that Mite teams cannot play full ice.

**New England District/Team CT:**

* Camp structure. Last year NH deemed camp workers were employees so the District handled them as employees this year at a significant cost, resulting in a large financial loss on the camps.
* Camp/Festival/Showcase structure will be revisited/restructured, likely for the 2017-18 season
* The District tournament structure will likely be revised over the summer and effective for the 2018-19 season
* 2017-18 Midget 15O, 16U and 18U regionals will be four team tournaments
	+ 3 CT teams and 1 NH team
* Transgender issues are a high-profile topic. USA Hockey is working on putting together a policy together for Affiliates to adopt
* USA Hockey is looking to revise its Conflict of Interest policy to include volunteers that are in the “for profit” business of hockey
* USPHL is not USA Hockey. Can’t play USPHL Junior teams. Youth teams are ok to play

**Girls:**

* IIHF Girls Hockey Play Hockey for Free Weekend 10/7 - 10/8
* Tier 2 States still being set up
* Tier 1 States - Hosted by Darien
* 19U Tier 1 appeal to Youth Council was defeated
* 16U and 19U Regionals held in November 17th – 19th.

**Grow the Game /Marketing:**

* Planning has begun for next season. As always if you have something you want covered, reach out to us
* 1st episode of Gotta Love CT Hockey went out earlier this month

**CEP:**

* Screening, SafeSport and Modules must be completed before being placed on a roster
* Six clinics have been posted on the USA Hockey website. Make sure coaches register now as they fill up fast.
* 1st level 3 clinic was held at Conn College this weekend and it went well
* There’s one more Level 4 in Mass before the end of the year and is the only local L4 left

**Registrar**:

* Grow the Game events - Special Events Sanction is not needed. Just notify Mary and have waivers completed by participants
* Game Sheets – This are very important and are the single most important document for tournament bound teams. These should include date, opponent division and rink.
* Links to all approved rosters in the District will be posted on the District website and linked from the CHC website.

**Old Business:**

* N/A

**New Business**:

* N/A.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

A Motion to Adjourn (seconded) PASSED by unanimous voice vote

**NEXT MEETING:**

**October 24, 2017
7:30 pm**Italian American Club
35 Chase Lane, West Haven