

WESTFIELD YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
MAY 12, 2011

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Paul Labbe, President
Bob Jacques, 1st Vice President
Todd Jensen, 2nd Vice President/Ice Scheduler
Steve Jarvis, Director of Finance
Pam Bussell, Secretary
Jeff Koziol, Director of Communications

APPOINTED BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Keith Duboff, Team Rep Coordinator
Jennifer McMahan, USA Rep
Heather Schnopp, Registrar

TEAM REPS PRESENT:

M1, M2

Meeting began at approximately 6:40 p.m.

A Motion was made and passed to accept the minutes from the April meeting.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: (Paul Labbe)

Rosters are set until September. At that point some adjustments may be made depending on any movement over the summer months.

We received a check for \$500 from Pitney Bowes. Natalie Hosmer is an employee of Pitney Bowes and was eligible for fundraising money because she volunteers for WYHA. Thank you Natalie. This money will be put towards the ADM model for the mites.

1st VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT: (Bob Jacques)

We have coaches for all teams at this time with the exception of Mite 2 and Bantam 1. All coaches are posted on the website.

ICE SCHEDULER REPORT: (Todd Jensen)

The scheduling process has changed with the GSL starting next season. This change currently effects the Squirts-Bantams with additional changes coming at the Mite and Midget ages as well.

The evaluation round will take place over two weekends, starting Columbus Day weekend.

Teams will play four 30 minute games each weekend (teams could play 4 all on one day or the games could be spread out over the two days.) All evaluation games will take place at the Olympia. After the conclusion of the evaluation round the GSL will take a weekend off to complete the schedule and regular season games will begin October 29th. The regular season will run from 10/29-3/18. Teams will play a schedule of 28-31 games. Each team will be allowed

4 NPD. In addition no games will be scheduled the weekends of Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Years. (In 2010-11 44% of NPD were used over those three weekends.) Lastly the GSL Championships will take place on one day, March 24th at the Olympia with the top 4 teams advancing. Each team that advances will play 2 games on Saturday. The format would be 1 vs. 4 and 2 vs. 3 with the winners playing each other for 1st place and the losers playing for 3rd place.

The end result is season of about 31 games, plus eight 30 minute games. In 2010-11 teams played on average 31 games in the GSL (8 evaluation games, 18 regular season games and 5 playoff games.)

In addition other changes that may take place is the Midgets be responsible for their own schedule under the guidance of the GSL and Mites playing at limited playing sites.

WYHA has started meetings with Amelia Park on next season's practice schedule. We are hopeful that we will not need to purchase ice at other locations at this point.

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE REPORT: (Steve Jarvis)

Books are closing out on May 31, 2011. We are still collecting GSL monies at this time. We are in the process of setting ice fees for mites due to the changes in their upcoming season. Also in the process of setting ice fees for squirts and peewees and a new rate for bantams as some of their practices next season will be half ice. Ice costs have gone up 4 to 5%. Our cash balance is \$85,000.

COMMUNICATIONS REPORT (Jeff Koziol):

A newsletter will go out at the end of next week. Also we are looking to make changes to the website over the summer months.

GSL REPORT (Tom Roskey-not present):

No report. Next GSL meeting is May 31.

USA HOCKEY REPORT (Jen McMahon):

No report.

MERCHANDE REPORT (Brenda Labbe-not present):

Brenda is currently working on new items that will be available in the fall.

NEW BUSINESS:

Reminder there is no meeting in July.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.