

**Westfield Youth Hockey Association
Board Meeting Minutes
February 14, 2013**

Executive Board Members Present:

Paul Labbe, President
Bob Jacques, 1st Vice President
Todd Jensen, 2nd Vice President/Ice Scheduler (absent)
Meg Bacon, Director of Finance
Pam Bussell, Secretary
Tim McMahon, Director of Communications

Appointed Board Members Present:

Jennifer McMahon, USA Rep

Team Reps Present:

MM,M2, M3W, M3W, S1, S2, S3, PW3, B2

Meeting began at approximately 6:35 p.m.

A motion was made and passed to accept the minutes from the January meeting.

President's Report: (Paul Labbe)

- The Social was very successful. We had over 220 people in attendance. Net profit was 9,871.92, this amount will be returned to the teams in September. We will determine at the April Board meeting if we plan to add more money from the organization.
- We will send out thank you notes to the major sponsors from that night.
- The House league is going well.
- Evals schedule will be posted this weekend.
- An Eval Committee meeting is scheduled to take place March 4, 2013.
- Evals will take place March 18th through the 28th.
- Paul will hold a meeting with novice parents to discuss the eval process.
- LTS/LTP and the House league will have info meetings as well.

Vice President Report: (Bob Jacques)

- LTS/LTP was snowed out this past Saturday for the first time in 8 years. Additionally we need more coaches for LTS.
- Fire and Ice went off without a hitch. We made about \$4,100.

Ice Scheduler Report: (Todd Jensen)

- No report.

Director of Finance Report: (Meg Bacon)

- Registration fees will be the same this year, \$75.00 for each player with a 50% discount on the third child. To make evaluations easier, please register and pay on-line. No cash will be accepted at the evaluation check in desk.

- Current balance \$111,411.34. We raised \$9,817.00 at Social and \$4,100.00 at Fire & Ice.

Communications Report (Tim McMahon)

- On-line registration will be the same as last year. Please remember to update medical insurance as needed. Registration will be open from February 25 through March 9, 2013 for returning players. New players to WYH can register after March 9.
- Open Board Positions will be elected during the evaluation period. Ballots can be found at the check in desk. Up for re-election are President, 2nd Vice President and Secretary. Open board elected positions are will be available as well.
- We need to expand and identify tasks of Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, Registrar and Assistant Secretary.
- All nomination forms should be in by March board meeting. (3/14/13)

GSL Report: (Tom Roskey-absent) (Report given by Bob Jacques)

- This past Saturday all rinks were closed due to the storm and no organizations owe any money to the rinks.
- The rules committee will go over the rules with refs as they apply to different age groups so that the refs have good knowledge of the rules for each individual age group.
- Snow storm game cancellation: 29 games were cancelled. 10 were mite games without play-offs. We will not make up those mite games. 2 Pee Wee games that were cancelled will not be played as they do not have play-off implications. 17 games, Squirt, Pee Wee and Bantam, will be rescheduled due to play-off implications.
- Games may be scheduled during the middle of the week as the schedule will be a challenge to fit everything in. The GSL will look at the winning percentage to see who lands where in the event a game cannot be rescheduled.
- Encourage team reps and coaches to check game sheets. Make sure it is correct as there has been a lot with errors this year in regards to game misconducts and scores. Coaches should not even go to the locker room, but straight to the time keeper to check game sheet.
- Additionally there have been incidents with coaches ignoring rules and choosing which game a suspended player plays. The coach will be removed from the bench if they do not follow the rules. Bob will send an email to coaches reminded them of the rules.
- The GSL play-offs will be March 8 and 9. Bantam games will be held on Friday the 8th with the championship game on Saturday afternoon. All games will be held at the Olympia.
- March 22nd is the Falcons Game with the parade of Champions for GSL teams. Tickets will be \$12.
- March 22nd is the State Tournament for the GSL. All organizations are required to provide volunteers.
- A mini-mite jamboree will take place on March 10th, hosted by Ludlow and will be held at Smead Arena.
- Mite rules are changing after January 1st. 7 and 8 year olds will be allowed to skate 10 full ice games and one tournament after January 1st. These would be independent games and not GSL games. 6 year olds are not allowed to play under USA Hockey.

USA Hockey Report: (Jennifer McMahon)

- No report.
- New registration date for USA Hockey has not been set.

Merchandise Report: (Brenda Labbe)

- Brenda is looking for someone to take over next season, a new Merchandise Coordinator and an Assistant.

- A new updated jersey order form will be available at evals.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.