

ENFIELD HOCKEY ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE BOARD

March 1, 2011 Board Meeting Minutes

March Minutes recorded by Janine Liddell.

A meeting of the Enfield Hockey Association Executive Board was held on 3/1/11 at Enfield Twin Rinks. Bob Fiedler, President called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.

Attendees- Bob Fiedler, Janine Liddell, Andy Votta, Rob Vose, Larry Juhasz, Valerie Breda, Joe Partridge, Rich Ferris, Fred Provencher, Michael Silva, Brenda Sniffin, Megan Emrick, Lynne Caldon and Rita Vose.

Guests- Rick Teel, Bill Ellis, Deborah Oltsch, Kristine Randolph, Scott Cunningham, Debra Ferris, Monte Ferrari, Diane Ferrari, Rob Brennan, George Russell, and Frank Carpenter.

Absent: Ed Poremba and Pat Hughes.

Open Discussion- Thanks to all for coming tonight, this is a full meeting. We will do elections first and hold the minutes from Feb. meeting until April. (Per Bob Fiedler)

Rick Teel put in application for head coach of upcoming squirt team. 2011-2012. Rick coached the EHA Mite team this season, and has youth and high school background in hockey.

13 votes received. 10 yes, 1 no and 2 abstained for Rick Teel.

Bill Ellis put in application for assistant coach of Squirt team 2011-2012. Bill has been apart of EHA since he was 8 years old. He has been a coach and assistant coach for many years. He would like to continue coaching and working with kids.

Rob Vose put in application for head coach of upcoming Peewee team. 2011-2012. Rob had coached for many years. Had a great season. Played a lot of hockey. Players grew throughout the season. Want to have fun and enough kids on the ice.

12 votes received. 12 yes for Rob Vose.

George Russell put in application for assistant coach of Peewee team 2011-2012. George was a head coach in Westfield, and has been an assistant coach for 4-5 years. Had a great season and would like to stay on the ice with kids.

Bob Fiedler put in application for head coach of upcoming Bantam team 2011-2012. Bob has been coaching for many years. Had a great season. Working well together with the players.

12 votes received. 10 yes. 2 no.

Andy tells all coaches to come in.
All were congratulated!

Bill Ellis stated he had a great season working with Rob Vose, George Russell and the squirt players.

Bob states that at this point he will talk to Dwayne about coaching for the midgets.

New Business- Fred Provencher has many changes that he will present at the next meeting.

Bill Ellis would like to know who makes the decision on how many kids on a team.

Brenda says all kids should make the team. She thinks it the parent's choice if they want their kid on a team of 20. We need to take them all, we need to the best we can with the #'s we have.

Rick would like to know what you do if 3 goalies try out for the same team.

Old Business- Summer Skate- Larry and Carol have discussed ice rates. It will be at 6:40 p.m. on Wednesdays starting in July. Larry says we need to figure out registration and payments.

President- Bob Fiedler- Asks for comments from the floor or any person that wants to put in an application to coach from the floor.

***Many compliments from parents about Rick Teel. ***

Parents were there to support all coaches and voice that kids had a great season. Kids did learn a lot and had a great schedule. Great season overall.

VP Finance- Larry Juhasz- No statement at this time, but all is well. Ref. fees a little less than planned.

Just under \$12,000.00 outstanding- doing better.

Statement will go out to anyone with a balance. Larry thinks people will catch up soon.

Larry said many have paid and will follow up on those who have not. Players who are behind on payments will not be able to try-out.

Lynne stated that there is a rule that says if you are 15 days late you cannot play in any games. -Larry said we should start that for next season.

At this time 2 players need to pay A.S.A.P.

Mike Silva said it will be easier to track payments next season with online payments.

Rich would like to know when is enough, enough. Pay or no play.

Larry sends out reminders often.

VP Admin/Rules- Ed Poremba- Not present. No report.

Referee Director-Ed Poremba- Not present. No report.

Equipment Director- Joe Partridge- No report.

Tournament Director- Lynne Caldon- Will report at next meeting.

AHL Director- Michelle Sellew- No report/ not present.

VP Upper/Lower Coach/Player Development- Rich Ferris- Nothing to report.

Instructional Director- Fred Provencher- Fred hopes to have many come to try outs. Hopes parents will be patient while we try to get more players to play for EHA. One parent disappointed with the skill level of LTS. This parent would like to have a mite travel team. Fred is disappointed with the #'s we have at this point.

Mite Director- Fred Provencher- At this point we do not have any Mite coaches. So far for players we have 5 returning and 21 interested. Two of them need to be undeclared because of age.

Mite try out/ evaluation- need a coach, there is a wide level of ability and age.

Brenda states that there are 17 players that are aware of the price and commitment if they make the mite travel team.

A parent suggests making sure you have a mite program to keep EHA alive.

Bill Ellis suggests that EHA do anything to keep mites. Charge less or put kids who are not ready yet up. The kids will catch up to where they need to be. Put a positive word out!

Joe also says take the kids who may not be ready at this point because they will work up to the level they need to in order to fit in with the rest of the team.

Deb O suggests having the coach not schedule many games far away.

Fred reminds us that we have an ADM player that may try out for pee wee.

Bantam/Midget Director- Michelle Sellew – Not present.

VP Public Relations-Tony Crane – Not present. No report.

VP Travel/GSL Director /CHC Coordinator-Pat Hughes- Not present. Sent report with Bob Fiedler- the CHC no checking vote will take place in June.

VP Scheduling- Mike Silva- Nothing to report.

Booster Club Co-Presidents – Rita Vose and Valerie Breda- Booster club donated \$50.00 per team for their end of year team banquets – Mites, Squirts and PeeWees. Booster Club will also host an end of season celebration - Family Night at Healthtrax. April 2nd 6-8PM. With a LTS Award Ceremony 5:15PM. All EHA families are invited. We are also awarding an EHA Scholarship. Kathy Partridge is the coordinator. Scholarship information has been distributed to all area high schools, emails have been sent to all Midget families and information is posted on the website. All applications are to be received by April 1st. Recipient to be announced at respective High School's award ceremony then posted on EHA Website.

Goalie Coordinator-Bob Fiedler- Nothing to report.

Squirt Director- Megan Emmerick- Nothing to report.

Secretary-Janine Liddell – Nothing to report.

Registrar- Brenda Sniffin- You need registration form and liability waiver to try out. You can find this online.

Brenda and Joe will check to see if we have any extra jerseys in case we get a lot of unexpected kids at try outs. Try outs were posted in local newspapers.

Commitment letter in on the website. Larry will read and discuss this at next meeting.

Questions were asked if medical forms should be online or should it be a hard copy.

Larry would like to get commitment fee in April so we can buy the ice and guarantee the #'s.

Website – **Mike Silva** – Will update wording on try outs to read non-refundable.

Ice Chips – **Rob Vose** – Nothing to report.

Peewee Director – **Andy Votta**- Nothing to report.

Fred put a motion on the floor to go into executive session at 7:55

Joe seconds the motion.

All in favor. (Parents left the room)

Bob put motion on the floor to come out of exc. Session.

Fred seconds the motion.

All in favor at 8:15 p.m.

Bob motions to adjourn meeting.

Fred seconds the motion,

All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 9:42.