

Enfield Hockey Association Executive Board

May 4, 2010 Board Meeting Minutes
Recorded by Lynne Caldon

A meeting of the Enfield Hockey Association Executive Board was held on May 4, 2010 at Joanna's Café in Somers, CT. Bob Fiedler, President called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm.

Attendees: Bob Fiedler, Ed Poremba, Larry Juhasz, Mike Silva, **Tony Crane**, John Sellew, Brenda Sniffin, **Janine Liddell**, **Fred Provencher**, Andy Votta, Michelle Sellew, Joe Partridge, Lynne Caldon, **Rob Vose**, Valerie Breda, Rita Vose, Megan Emrick
(bold/underlined members were not present)

Guests: Scott Cunningham, Rick Teel, Rich Ferris

Financial Reports

VP Finance (Larry Juhasz)

- \$540.00 uncollected for the season and \$300.00 uncollected from a bounced check that EHA is attempting to go after.
- Bob has been in contact with Keith and Carol to schedule a meeting to get the thumb drive and financials however this meeting has not yet occurred.
- CHC check for 6,000.00 is on its way for the Bantam Tournament.
- Making arrangements to change the signatures on the EHA checking account. Larry and Bob to go to the bank.
- Received a 2nd notice from IRS that EHA owes \$200.77 interest for filing the 2007 and 2008 taxes late. Bob contacted Chris Pape and he said that he is taking care of it with the IRS however he feels that we should just pay it

Bob Fiedler made a motion to pay the IRS the \$200.77 and if Chris is able to clear it up we will get a reimbursement; Joe Partridge seconded. All members present in favor. No opposed.

Program Director Reports

Player/Coach Development (John Sellew): Nothing to report.

Instructional Director (Fred Provencher): Not present. Report sent.

- 25 returning skaters and will soon ask for commitments from them. Still a little early. Need to strongly advertise this program in Aug/Sept.
- I feel comfortable with group of kids and coaches returning and look forward to 15-20 new sign-ups in the Fall.

Mite Director (Fred Provencher): Not present. Report sent.

- 14 skaters on the Maroon Team
- Gold Team: Currently 6 commitments for the Gold team with an additional 2 verbal commitments today = 8. 1 Maroon parent would like to be on the Gold team if it forms = 9. We have a Squirt age player who may fit on the Gold team and they

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would go undeclared =10. I feel that we will get some more in September sign-ups and/or the in-house program. Some of these kids may be a perfect fit for this team and if it is undeclared gives us the opportunity to use Mites and Squirts I believe.

- If the board is concerned about the Gold team, we could go with just in-house and promote more ADM games there. I also feel this program needs to not only work on skills but teach position and rules so that these kids have more of an opportunity to make other teams in the organization in the future.
- I also understand when taking these above scenarios into account we must feel financially sound about our decisions. I feel the board needs to address what scenario does the most for the association as a whole as we rebuild.
- Fred is working on getting a coach for the Mite Gold team.
- Bob mentioned that all Mite C teams in the GSL will be going with ADM playing ½ ice games. CHC Mite teams will play 10 ADM games during the season.

Squirt Director (open)

- Picked up another goalie for the Squirt team.

Peewee Director (Andy Votta)

- CHC posted on their website that EHA is looking for players.
- GSL has not yet posted anything.
- EHA website should also have the information, Bob will get information to Mike.
- Two Bantam players – one on each Pee Wee team
- Fred Provencher's brother (Kevin) has a daughter that may want to play on the Pee Wee team, still need confirmation.
- Register both Pee Wee teams as a Bantam Team and play a Pee Wee schedule. Coaches would be required to notify the opposing coaches prior to games that they have Bantam age player and the circumstances.

Midget/Bantam Director (Michelle Sellew)

Bantam:

- Lost 2 Bantams (Jacob Fromerth and Michael Gearhart) will not be coming to EHA.
- Down to 5 skaters and 2 goalies
- 2 of the skaters could be put on the Pee Wee team (already received waiver from CHC on Neimann waiting to hear on Tarbox)
- Preliminary numbers indicate that a ½ year Bantam team (September – November) with ½ ice practices and 1 full ice per week would be approximately 1,100.00 per skater if there were 10 skaters.
- *Board agreed that we do not have enough skaters to field a team in the Bantam Division for the 2010 – 2011 Season.*

Midget:

- Need to get Duane moving on the numbers for the Midget division.

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- Based on number from last year we may have two teams; 7 leaving and 9 moving up from Bantam division.
- Preliminary numbers indicate that a ½ year Midget team (September – November) with would be approximately \$650.00 per skater if there were 24 skaters. Cost was \$575.00 last season.

Goalie Development Director (Bob Fiedler): Nothing to report.

Operational Director Reports

Registrar (Brenda Sniffin)

- Mite Maroon – All commitment letters and fees received
- Squirt – All commitment letters received - 5 have not yet paid fee
- Pee Wee – Crane owes form and fee; Audet and Butler owe fee; Audet is in the mail however no word from Butler.
- \$9,154.00 collected for commitments and registration fees. \$350.00 outstanding for commitment fees.

Secretary (Janine Liddell): Not present.

- April board meeting minutes were reviewed and accepted.
- Still waiting on March meeting minutes, Ed Poremba to followup.
Motion made by Michelle Sellew to accept the April meeting minutes; Joe Partridge seconded. All members present in favor. No opposed.

Motion made by Lynne Caldon to table March meeting minute. Joe Partridge seconded. All members present in favor. No opposed.
- Ed indicated that following each meeting the minutes will be reviewed and approved then posted to the EHA website for all members to access.
- April, 2010 meeting minutes have been approved and Mike Silva will post to the EHA Website.

Equipment Director (Joe Partridge)

- Received price from Bertelli's for items that coaches will need (pucks; mouth guards, neck guards) \$626.00
- Need to purchase storage containers (one for each team) to hold jersey's and other items - \$40.00 each
- Helmet Stickers – left and right with 3 colors are \$1.00 a piece
- Need to look at purchasing new jerseys for the upcoming season. Bob spoke with the company that provided our socks last season and they sent samples. Would need to purchase 40 of each color for each division; number 1-40 and the coaches would be responsible for taking the jersey's to and from games.
- Joe will contact the company to get pricing on solid jerseys in the \$20-\$25 range
- Need to purchase 2 sets of socks as well

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VP Administration and Rules (Ed Poremba)

- Will be working on Amendments to the By Laws this season.
- Ed distributed an amendment to the bylaws for Travel Team Coaches. He asked that everyone review the Amendment and send any revisions to him prior to the next meeting at which time the Amendment will be reviewed and tabled and then voted on at the July meeting.

Scheduler (Mike Silva): Nothing to report.

Tournament Director (Lynne Caldon)

- Beginning to plan for either a Columbus Day or Veterans Day tournament.

League Director Reports

VP Travel CHC Coordinator (Bob Fiedler): Nothing to report.

GSL Coordinator (Ed Poremba)

- Ed read names of the newly elected board members, was also e-mailed to EHA board members.

Referee Director (Ed Poremba)

- GSL midgets and other player level fees are going up.
- Enfield Referees will also be going up across the board.

AHL Director (Michelle Sellew): Nothing to report.

Communications Director Reports

VP Public Relations (Tony Crane): Not present.

- Tony does have a company that would like to be a corporate sponsor with name in the ice so he is going to follow up with Keith to find out whether he will honor this request.
- Also has another company that would like to sponsor a team.

CHC Website Representative (Mike Silva): Nothing to report.

Ice Chips Coordinator (Rob Vose): Not present. Nothing to report.

Booster Club President (Val Breda & Rita Vose)

- Lynne Caldon announced that the Booster Club held their annual meeting and voted in a new board, Val Breda and Rita Vose are now the new Co-Presidents.

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- Val and Rita discussed that the Booster Club would like to reinstitute a booster club fee for the upcoming season in the amount of \$45.00 to cover the cost of yearbooks and year end awards. Suggested the amount could be separate and they would collect the funds; however did prefer it be incorporated with the ice payment. The board did not feel having a separate fee to collect was the way to go and agreed that the fee be built into the per skater fees and itemized for each parent so they understand where their money will go.
- During the 2010 – 2011 season the booster club will focus on fun events for the kids and raising money for the EHA Scholarship, plan to hold the Coaches Game and Comedy Night.

Old Business

None

New business

- Received an application from Megan Emrick for the open Squirt Director position.

Michelle Sellew made a motion accept the application for Squirt Director; John Sellew seconded. All members present in favor. No opposed. No abstained.

- Summer Camp: Bob would like to implement a Summer Camp – 8 weeks/1 hour per week. The cost at ETR would be \$210.00 for 60 minutes. Rick Teel mentioned that he was offered 60 min ice during the summer at South Windsor. Brenda to contact South Windsor for times that would be available. Need to work on who will staff the Summer Camp.
- Meeting Location: Need a new permanent meeting location that is large enough for 20 – 25 attendees. Scott Cunningham will see if either the firehouse on Phoenix Avenue or Weymouth Road would be available. Brenda will contact the Pearl Street Library.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm.