

Minutes of the CHC Board of Directors Meeting, April 27, 2010

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL**

Directors Present: All Programs except (number in parentheses indicate total absences this season including this evening): Greater Bridgeport (1); Hamden (1); Kent (ineligible to vote); New Canaan (1); Salisbury (ineligible to vote); Simsbury (1); Sothern (1); Stamford (1). The attendance log, reflecting tonight's attendance, is made as an attachment to the minutes.

Board Officers Present: President, Tom Regan; Vice President Gerry Rasmussen; Secretary: Glenn Van Moffaert; Treasurer, Mike Federico.

Other CHC officials (non-voting) present: Eligibility Chairperson and District-I Commissioner, Kathy Ludwig; District-IV Commissioner, Glenn Van Moffaert; Registrar Sue McCullough; Women and Girls Director, Joe Dmarczyk and Carolyn Holt; Tournament Chairperson, Brian Oatway; Bantam Director: Amy Landino; PeeWee Director: Rich Dibble

USA Hockey Officials (non-voting) present: NED Managing Director: Mike Meakem

**ACCEPT THE MINUTES**

Tabled; No minutes were available for the Board's consideration as the broadcast e-mail system was down.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Hartford Wolfpack Foundation.** Presentation of their mission and request for support of their annual Golf Tournament. Seeking an interest from CHC that each program provide one threesome. It is expected to be played at Farmington Woods, with the cost of about \$150 per player; three payers, the fourth person in the foursome would be one of the Wolfpack hockey players. One possible weekend is near Columbus Day w/e. This may be tricky for many CHC programs, but the Wolfpack would consider alternative dates. The BOD will take this proposal back to their local organizations and will discuss at May Meeting. The Wolfpack need an answer by June.

**MIDGET DISCIPLINE**

**Kathy Ludwig** (in Art Blakeslee's absence) presented some proposed rule changes in an effort to reduce the amount of fisticuffs at Midget games. The basic proposition is to effectuate stiffer penalties for fighting, including mandatory two-game suspension of the player on the first incidence. Other penalties were also directed at the coach, but these were seen as overreaching as proposed. After much discussion the proposal was tabled until the sub-committee reconvenes to clarify the issues.

**FALL TRYOUTS**

A note from Michelle Marelle (President of Wonderland Wizards) was read aloud wherein she requested that all tryouts begin in the Fall rather than in the Spring. Discussion on the topic revealed that it could not be effective for the upcoming season as many programs have purchased their ice based on expected number of teams. It was also uncertain how moving the tryout dates might affect programs from declaring their teams. The topic was tabled for further consideration.

## REPORTS

### **President (Regan)**

USA-H workshop is scheduled for June 26 at the UConn Center. Tom requested that AT A MINIMUM the President (or designee) and the Grow the Game Director of each Program participate in this event. See the Website for further details.

### **Treasurer (Federico) and Financial Review Committee**

- Mike presented the monthly statement and balance sheet for the BOD to examine
- Balance of Tournament fees is an outstanding receivable from some organizations --- you know who you are!
- 990 Filings are looming and there are new regulations that will apply to all Member Programs. The new regs mean that an 11page form needs to be filed. If you are unfamiliar with the filing process, then hire someone who is competent in these matters as the IRS is likely going to be scrutinizing 501(c)(3) filers.

**Tournament Committee** Amy Landino reported that the Declaration guidelines are being worked through with a proposal for the May Meeting and vote in June.

**Eligibility Committee (Kathy Ludwig).** Releases are already beginning to trickle in.

With respect to MITES, and X-Ice commitments, games begin to count when the official rosters are verified, and no earlier than September 1.

### **Registrar (Sue McCullough)**

All Member Program Registrars must notify USA-H in order to get the latest version of Cyber Sport delivered.

**Woman's Hockey** Mandatory meeting in May for tournament-bound teams. See Web for details.

**Grow the Game** Ken Dixon thought that a golf tournament in conjunction with the Hfd Wolfpack may be an excellent way to get exposure of the game.

A MOTION (seconded) was made to allow for matching funds up to \$500.00 per program to help offset expenses related to Grow the Game initiatives. The MOTION PASSED by a show of hands without objection.

**Coaching Education Program** Volunteers are needed to fill this position which is made as an appointment through USA-H. If you or someone you know is interested, please send a note to Tom Regan.

**Team CT** Made a great showing, and lost to NH by one point in the overall standings! Camps are being scheduled at UConn and are supported through the NE-D. These are high quality events.

**FESTIVAL** Connecticut is hosting the Festival which is the last w/e in March. It seems like a longtime away, but planning is required. Tom is building a committee to work through the logistics on this event.

**New England District:** Mike Meakem was voted as the Managing Director of NE-D. Congratulations to Mike.

## **ELECTIONS for PRESIDENT and TREASURER**

Mike Meakem, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, advised that Tom Regan was the sole nominee for the office of President. Mike also advised that no nominations were received for Treasurer, and that it

ws the Nominating Committee's recommendation that the office of Treasurer remain vacant until such time as a qualified candidate is found. Gerry Rasmussen called for nominations from the floor, and hearing none, made a Motion (seconded) to accept the recommendation of the Nomination Committee to re-elect Tom Regan as President and have the office of Treasurer remain vacant until such time as a qualified candidate is found. The MOTION PASSED unanimously.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

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

**NEXT MEETING:**

**May 25, 2010**  
7:30pm  
Italian American Club  
35 Chase Lane, West Haven.