



Board Meeting Minutes September 9, 2009

Present: Jeff Curry, Jon Semon, John Thomas, Sheri Dolan, Dick Baumgardner, Duane Olin, Len Mack, Danielle Edmunds, Judy Keysa, Greg Berger, Pete Kostraba

Meeting began at 7:10 pm.

Minutes were reviewed from last month's meeting. A change to last month's minutes needs to be made to reflect a season start date of 9/18/2009 for Mites and Bantams. A motion was made to accept by Sheri Dolan, and it was seconded by John Thomas.

President: Jon Semon

- The W. Sectional meeting will take place on 9/19/09 at 10:00am at the ESL Sports Complex
- Registration on 9/19- Sheri needs at least two other people to sit with her to complete the USA Hockey registration process and other paperwork.
- Registration information is updated on the website.
- Information about the girls program in Batavia is also posted on the website.
- New Rule: Based on the NYS Labor Law, no official can be 14 years old or under
 - a. 15-17 year olds need to get working papers from their schools
 - b. Volunteers 14 and under will not be accepted by LBYH.

VP of League Operations: John Thomas

- W. Section annual meeting is on 9/12/2009.
- USA Hockey Youth Hockey Association Exhibit Packet is coming out in November. John passed a copy around for all to look at.

VP of Hockey Operations: Duane Olin

- Tim Horton's jerseys are not in yet. They may need to be handed out at the first practice.
- Tim Horton's sent the league 30 Crosby growth charts.
- There are some beginner sticks left over
- Greg will create a list of inventory once registration is complete (helmets, beginner equipment, IP jerseys, goalie equipment, Goal 1 equipment, etc.)
- Duane will be meeting with reps from GSU to finalize specs for storage unit this week.
- Photographer sent first draft of photo flyer
 - Some concerns about prices
 - Duane will be getting more information about having pictures taken off ice and having sample pictures taken for us before we commit to that set up
- Decals- samples of new logo
 - 5 inch decal shown to the group
 - People can order by team
 - Beginners will be given the option to preorder decal at registration
- Ice schedule is almost ready to go
- We are still waiting for approval for Empire playoff schedule

Ace Coordinator: Jeff Curry

- Will run coaches' meeting on day of registration (after registration)
- Jeff has agreed to be the "head guy" for the IP program, but not the Beginner program.
- Jon is willing to head the Beginner program.
- A suggestion was made to have an on-ice coordinator and an off-ice coordinator at all practices to ease communication concerns.
- Some Mites still need to be placed on teams. A time needs to be scheduled to have all Mite-level kids skate to determine team placement (perhaps at a shared practice between Mite A and Mite B).
- College players have agreed to help out at practices; high school players will not.

Treasurer: Dick Baumgardner

- Dick reviewed the balance of the accounts.
 - a. \$62,600.93 in checking
 - b. \$8,806.46 in savings
 - c. \$12,636.81 in money market
- Dick has written recent checks to: Empire League, storage, Scottsville ice, SIR, the Pennysaver and for socks, jerseys
- Storage Unit at College: Work will be completed by the college and LBYH will reimburse them for this work.

Registrar: Sheri Dolan

- Most USA Hockey barcodes are in.
- Not all rosters are set. Still need bar codes from some coaches.
- Still waiting for a few players to commit.
- Beginners/ IP will start on October 3.

Equipment Manager: Greg Berger

- Dark and light socks came in from Mites, Squirts, PeeWee and beyond
- Travel gets dark and light socks
- Jerseys should be in by 9/15/09
- Equipment handout will happen on registration day for beginners and IP.
- Greg will work on making any necessary revisions to the equipment release form.
- We need one person to man the "equipment swap" during registration

Empire League: Judy Keysa

- Someone needs to give Jeanne team rosters and counts by September 30 or sooner
- Monroe County needs goalies
- Scheduling meeting will be on 9/19 at the Dome
- Coaching Training sessions will take place on 9/12 (Fredonia), 9/26 (UB), October?, 11/14 & 11/15 (level 4 in Buffalo)
- 10/6- 09-10 Midget scheduling meeting (6:30 @ ESL)
- 10/13- 09-10 Mite-Bantam Scheduling Meeting (6:00 @ Dome)
- 10/16- EAHC Midget Season Starts
- 10/23- EAHC Mite Bantam Season Starts

Referee Coordinator: Mike Carroll

- Not present.

Ombudsman: Pete Kostraba

- Nothing to report.

Director of Communications: Del Brown

- Not present

Old Business:

- Registration will be on September 19th from 11:00-2:00.
- Everyone should take flyers to distribute to surrounding schools.

New Business:

- A discussion was had regarding payment of screening and registration fees for coaches.
 - At coaches' meeting, we will discuss the tight budget and ask coaches to volunteer not to submit for reimbursement. They will be covered for this year, if they must submit, but coverage will be limited in the future.
 - Coaches will be asked to be more judicious about the number of coaches they have out on the ice with them.

Motion to adjourn made at 8:26 by Dick and seconded by Pete.