

AMHERST YOUTH HOCKEY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

January 9, 2017

The General Board of Directors of Amherst Youth Hockey Inc. held a board meeting on January 9th, 2017.

President Steve Bengart, noting that a quorum was present, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. President Bengart welcomed everyone back after the holiday and wished everyone a Happy New Year. He also thanked everyone for their service on the Board of Directors.

Present: Steve Bengart, Ed Guzdek, Bill Higgins, Christina Biondolillo, Tom Tzetzto, Peter Kneis, Ralph Gattozzi, Dave Hayman, John Gaffney, Frank Lukomski, Dawn Sylves, Joe DesRosiers, Crystal Harris, Tim DiGiulio, Joe Spano, Scott Mosher, Pat Gormley, Peter Lajeunesse, Mike Wulken, Ken Coyle, Darren Palaszewski, Dan House, Marc Rosenthal, Steve Ferenczy, Gary Joseph, Bob Schell, and Renae Gattozzi.

Excused: Jack Quigley, Sunil Bakshi, Glenn Aichinger, Paul Gugino, Grant Ledyard, and David Browne.

Correspondence: None

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve the Minutes from the December Board Meeting by Kneis, **Second** DiGiulio. **Approved Unanimously.**

Reports:

Secretary: Bill Higgins-

The posting on the website for this year's elections will be going up this week. The positions of President and Registrar are up for a vote at the annual meeting in May.

VP Travel: Jack Quigley- By Bill Higgins

Coaching applications for next season are being collected and interviews will be starting soon. The plan is to have all coaches selected, if possible, prior to the next board meeting on February 6th.

Motion for the creation of the coaching selection committee for the review of all applications and to conduct interviews. The committee is to include Jack Quigley, Ed Guzdek, Joe Spano, and Grant Ledyard. The committee is subject to approval of the VP of Travel- Jack Quigley. Motion by Higgins, **Second** Schell. **Approved Unanimously.**

Discussion on the Motion:

Joe DesRosiers inquired if there was a way for the Board to be more involved in the coaching selection. He suggested a review of the coaching applications for those individuals that are being recommended by the committee. Discussion was held around the fact that the board is giving the committee the responsibility to do their due diligence in selecting coaches for recommendation. All coaches are still up to an individual vote at the Board Meeting and any questions about specific selections can be made at that time.

VP House-Ed Guzdek-

All things are going well.

Treasurer-Kneis-

Fiscal report through November was passed out and reviewed.

Motion to approve the Fiscal Report by Mosher, **Second** Joseph.

Approved Unanimously.

Coaching re-imburements are being processed and continue to be sent out. Any coaching modules completed after the 12/31 deadline will only be reimbursed at \$10 and not the full penalty cost of \$50.

Registrar- Christina Biondolillo –

All travel rosters are now completed. Still working on House rosters. Coaches out of compliance have been sent to the Conveners.

Ice Coordinator-Tzetzso-

House ice through the end of February has been given out. Travel ice for March is being worked on.

State and National Tournament Director- Bob Schell-

Working on logistics for States. Starting on the process of States/Volunteer.

Tournament Director- Dawn Sylves-

Top Gun is scheduled for this weekend. The schedule is done, everything has been ordered, and the referees and off ice officials are all set.

The next event for the Friendship Tournament is scheduled for February.

Development- Joe DesRosiers-

No Report

ACE- Dave Hayman-

NYS Development Camp applications are ready and will be sent over to Grant Ledyard.

Equipment- Ralph Gattozzi-

Money from the Friendship Tournament was left in his office. Funds were given to Peter Kneis to deposit.

Officials Director- Glenn Aichinger-

No Report.

Ex-Officio- Sunil Bakshi-

No Report.

Board Administrator: Renae Gattozzi-

There will be another offer for concussion testing. Parents will be able to schedule appointments directly with the center.

Volunteers will be needed for Top Gun and for States.

Old Business:

The flyer for the Tim Hortons Backyard Classic has been sent out to the membership.

New Business:

PUCCS has asked for permission to set up an informational table at any tournaments that are held at the NTC. Board has given approval for them, dependent on them getting a user agreement from the NTC.

President Bengart ended the meeting in honor of the late Nancy Quigley's father Robert Neureuter.

7:33 PM

Next Meeting: Monday February 6th, 2016 7:00 pm