

AMHERST YOUTH HOCKEY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
March 9th, 2015

The General Board of Directors of Amherst Youth Hockey Inc. held a board meeting on March 9th, 2015.

President Steve Ferenczy, noting that a quorum was present, called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

Present: Steve Ferenczy, Ed Guzdek, Bill Higgins, Tom Tzetzto, Renae Gattozzi, Ralph Gattozzi, Dave Hayman, Peter Lajeunesse, Peter Kneis, Gary Joseph, Scott Mosher, Bob Schell, Darren Palaszewski, Dan House, Brian Charlton, Steve Bengart, and Marc Rosenthal.

Excused: Jack Quigley, Glenn Aichinger, Bob Schreck, Christina Biondolillo, Kris Quagliana, Chuck Wonch, Joe Spano, Phil Louisos, Tim DiGiulio, Paul Gugino, and Russ Gugino.

Correspondence: None

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve Minutes from February Board Meeting by Joseph, **Second** Mosher. **Approved.**

Motion to approve Minutes from February Coaches Selection Board Meeting by Mosher, **Second** Palaszewski. Bengart- Abstained. **Approved.**

Reports:

Secretary: No Report

VP Travel: Request by parents of Annalise Bergman to play out of age group and play up with the Minor Pee-Wee AAA team instead of playing Major Squirt.

Motion to approve Annalise Bergman to participate in try-outs for the Minor Pee-Wee AAA team with selection being based on the impact player requirement, pursuant to AYH Rules by Higgins, **Second** Bengart. **Approved.**

Communication to be sent by the Secretary to notify the family of the approval.

Motion to approve, for a term of 1 year, with a potential for a 2nd year pursuant to board approval, the addition of a third travel team at the Minor Squirt level, dependent upon the level of participation and ability of the players at try outs and after both the AAA and AA teams have rostered a minimum of 17 players per

team. Decision to be made by the VP Travel at try outs. **Motion** by Higgins, **Second** Bengart. **Approved**.

Motion to approve Ian Kyle as the Head Coach of the third Minor Squirt Travel Team by Charlton, **Second** Kneis. **Approved**.

VP House- Ed Guzdek- Super Sunday is scheduled for March 22nd.

Treasurer-Tom Tzetzto-

Motion to approve up to \$2000 to look at the purchase of an ice scheduling program through Maximum Solutions that would integrate AYH with the Northtown Center. Purchase will be based on review of program. **Motion** by Tzetzto, **Second** Hayman. **Approved**.

Registrar- Christina Biondolillo –No Report

Ice Coordinator- Presented by Renae Gattozzi- We are well below budget for unused ice this year.

Development Director- Bob Schell- Will need volunteers for the Nationals. Announced that Amherst Hockey has been awarded the Nationals next year for the 18U Boys Tier II.

Tournament Director- No Report

ACE Director- Dave Hayman- No Report

Equipment Manager- Ralph Gattozzi- Pinnies will be available for try outs. Coaches need to reach out to Ralph so he can have them ready.

Officials- Glenn Aichinger- No report.

EX Officio- Bob Schreck- No report.

Board Administrator: Renae Gattozzi- Requests for volunteers for the upcoming Nationals will be going out.

Old Business: Director of Hockey Position

Motion to approve the Director of Hockey position, said person will be responsible for the on and off ice development of all players and coaches within Amherst Youth Hockey through a unified plan. **Motion** by Guzdek, **Second** Charlton. **Approved**.

Motion to approve up to \$3000 to go towards advertising for the Director of Hockey Position by Guzdek, **Second** Hayman. **Approved.**

New Business: Releases will be available from 9-12 on Saturday and Sunday during States and then during Nationals.

Members of the Buffalo Sled Hockey board were on hand and thanked Amherst Hockey for the partnership that has been formed. Players, Coaches, and Families all appreciate the partnership and now feel as though they have a home rink. Looking forward to continuing the relationship.

Motion to adjourn Schell; **Second;** Kneis- **APPROVED.**

8:28 PM

Next Meeting: Monday April 13th, 2015 7:00 pm