

AMHERST YOUTH HOCKEY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
October 6th, 2014

The General Board of Directors of Amherst Youth Hockey Inc. held a board meeting on October 6th, 2014.

President Steve Ferenczy, noting that a quorum was present, called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

Present: Steve Ferenczy, Ed Guzdek, Jack Quigley, Bill Higgins, Christina Biondolillo, Tom Tzetzto, Renae Gattozzi, Ralph Gattozzi, Dave Hayman, Glenn Aichinger, Joe Spano, Steve Bengart, Peter Lajeunesse, Peter Kneis, Brian Charlton, Gary Joseph, Dan Vogel, Tim DiGiulio, Phil Louisos, Marc Rosenthal, Chuck Wonch, Russ Gugino, Bob Schell, Paul Gugino, Bob Schreck, Scott Mosher, and Steve Witt

Excused: Kris Quagliana, Darren Palaszewski, and Dan House

Correspondence: None

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve Minutes from September Board Meeting by Joseph, **Second** Charlton. **Approved.**

Reports:

Secretary: No Report

VP Travel: Jack Quigley- Dave Smith clinics are on-going. Feedback has been good so far. Travel Reps are continuing to communicate with coaches regarding penalties and alternates. Sectionals are scheduled for November 7th-9th, and 11th.

VP House-Ed Guzdek- House teams have been assigned. Currently there are 122 registered house coaches with additional applications continuing to come in. All certifications must be in on time or coaches will not be allowed on the ice. Skate sale was a success. Review of a new locker room policy in accordance with SafeSport guidelines. Policy will be posted in the case by the Front Desk.

Motion by Steve Bengart to approve the amended locker room policy, **Second** Witt. **Approved.**

The Girls house program has been entered into the Great Lakes Girls Hockey League. Feedback has been very positive from coaches, players, and parents regarding this move.

Motion by Ed Guzdek to approve the allocation of \$600 to cover the league fees for this year only. **Second** Higgins. **Approved**.

Treasurer-Tom Tzetzko- Review of association financials to date.

Registrar- Christina Biondolillo – House league rosters that have been submitted have been entered into the system. Goalie clinics are now on the site and open for registration.

Ice Coordinator- Chuck Wonch- Available ice is on the website. The amount of unused ice is down. Due to a reduced number of teams, there will be a reduction in the ice allocated to the Pee-Wee house. Ice has also been allocated to the Sled hockey program and to the JV program. Requesting a review of the current program and housing of the ice schedule. Per Ed, we are just waiting on the software to be made available by the development company.

Development Director- Bob Schell- Looking to start putting together volunteer lists for the upcoming Playdowns, States, and Nationals.

Tournament Director- Russ Gugino- Beginning to start on the Top Gun tournament.

ACE Director- Dave Hayman- The Level 1-3 clinic in Buffalo was completed with over 300 coaches in attendance. There will be another Level 1-3 on November 22nd in Brockport. There is a level 4 clinic scheduled for December 6th and 7th at Monroe CC. January 11th and 12th there will be a symposium on High Performance Hockey targeting Womens/Girls Hockey. This will count as a Level Up program. USA Hockey Road Show will be in Cheektowaga on 10/11 and 10/12.

Equipment Manager- Ralph Gattozzi- House jerseys have been distributed. Pucks are now available.

Officials- Glenn Aichinger- 16 applications were submitted as recommendations to be accepted into the NYSHOA program. All were accepted, but it will turn into 10-11 people. Contract for Amherst with the officials is due for a renewal this year.

EX Officio- Bob Schreck- The Recreation Commission is in discussions with other sports to open up to non-residents. He requests that if anyone is asked questions about our policy to refer them to Steve Ferenczy, Gary Joseph, or Bob Schell.

Board Administrator: Renae Gattozzi- Concussion testing has started. This is for players age 10+. Thank you to Chuck for the limited amount of unused ice for September. Travel Reps and House Conveners have been given the new Amherst Stickers to place on the back of player's helmets.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Motion to adjourn P. Gugino; **Second**; Charlton- **APPROVED**.

7:55 PM

Next Meeting: Monday November 3rd, 2014 7:00 pm