

GLYSA Board Meeting
Monday, October 3, 2011 at 7:00pm
99 Restaurant, Tewksbury

Attendees:

Abbie Garcia
Steve Knight
Tom Carrabis
LeeAnn Wilson
Derek McManus
Jill McManus
Melissa Correia
Sharon Lessard
Christine MacPherson
Mark Grenier
Lenny Pollard
Tom Roche
David Grey
Roy Corriea
Natalia Melo
Joe Curran
Karen Grace
John Grace
Eric Nelson

Coaching Director:

Learn to Play:

Good 1st season turnout.
20 paid players – 3 outstanding payments
1 raffle winner – not interested
Seamus Crowley payment pending
Parents in ice is an issue, they should be kept off ice and off benches
LTP participants must have: helmet w/cage, skates, gloves or mittens. Knee and elbow pads are recommended (not required), stick not required.

Mite 2:

Lots of towns having issues.
Steve suggests putting M2 in National League – full ice.
Bring in-house players up to fill roster.

One in-house player moved to S3

Dave G. suggests fee structure for M2 be addressed.

Tom R. \$1,350 for M2 – add in jamboree schedule will bring game count up to 40-45 games.

Dave G. In-house gets more play time than M2 but does not get skills. In house doesn't start playing games right away – but they want to – we need to find a balance.

Tom R. There is a balance in fee structure that needs to be found – we did add skills which is added value.

In-house will get 2 sheets of practice ice/week.

In-house had 3 sheets (plus games)/Mite 2's get three sheets plus 30 games.

Practice ice is \$260/hour – In-house can use 1 sheet of practice ice for games.

Tom R. has hard time filling practice ice. Contract w/Janas is long standing and should be addressed.

This year we own the practice ice and cannot change it for this year.

Valley League National is a good idea.

Concern is if there are only 6-7 kids on team there could be resulting injuries. Kids are going to be called up from in-house to fill M2 roster. They should be called up free of charge.

28 games thru the Valley League, 15 games thru Jamboree, games played on practice ice.

Motion to enter M2 in VL National and meet Jamboree requirements guaranteeing 15 games – PASSED.

Marketing:

Advertise thru Greater Lowell Deck Hockey – do a cross ad with them.

Have our kids get deck hockey info/give them our info.

Lenny: market to Lowell Youth Soccer, maybe set up a booth at the soccer field.

Need to buy more LTP signs. Current ones were donated, new ones would be less than \$100 per.

Possible committees to be formed: Fundraising Committee, Try Out Committee, Marketing Committee, Bylaw Committee.

We want to get parents involved; the committees would be volunteer based. There is a lot of work to be done outside of the board meetings.

We will decide at the next BOD meeting. Will a BOD member have to be on each board?

Website:

Website looks good, thanks Tom C.

Steve needs to cancel old site and needs the password.

How can we get Member Registration set up?

Payment Policy Changes:

A family registered two players at the initial tryout. One player decided that they no longer wished to play. Since the family still has a child in the program, can we credit that child's account the money paid for the other player to date? This will be handled on a case by case basis. It is currently the policy that the money paid to date is forfeited, but this should be revisited. Regardless of the board's case by case decision, the \$100 registration fee is forfeited.

We need to draft a new policy. We need Brenda's input and need to consider the policy across all levels.

Board voted to allow the transfer of the balance of the siblings account, less the \$100.00 registration fee to the other siblings account.

New Business:

Abbie: If we are planning to do the Festival of Trees again this year, we are already late. After discussion, the Board agreed that it is too expensive and yielded no new interest in the program last year. We will not do Festival of Trees this year.

Highland Baseball will let us hang a sign as long as we reciprocate.

Jill: Festival of Lights Parade. It's free and fun. We were in it last year and the players carried the GLYSA banner.

David Grey will get us a flatbed for a float if we want.

Melissa: Thanks to Cheryl Pollard for the Hawks to Heroes effort. We need to determine the cost of shipping.

Sharon: Tom R. was going to ask Valley League about advancing our LTP program. Tom did not do it.

Are the age specific patch training schedules out? Yes. There will be a coaches meeting soon.

Mike P: \$32,575 received, \$36,000 spent.

Mike talked about GLYSA competing w/ local select teams – would like to see us put some \$ into equip – like bungee cords and more equip in general.

Tom R.: Last year doing the scheduling. Tom will train someone who is interested.

Roy: Jerseys are low, if mites move up; we will need more white shirts. They will be ordered.

Monster Masks – link to logo designer needs to be on website. Mike P. will contact Monster Masks to determine how much longer we will be putting their ad on the website free of charge.