

# **Parkway Youth Hockey Board of Directors Meeting October 13, 2015**

Location: BPD Community Room, 1708 Centre St., West Roxbury, MA

## **Call to Order at 7:21pm**

**Members Present:** Michael O'Brien, President  
Mike McCarthy, Vice President  
Conal Barbuto, Vice President (left 7:58pm)  
Nick Favorito, Treasurer  
John Gallagher, Secretary

Lisa Berlucchi, Member  
Ross Birch, Member  
Niall Carney, Member  
Paul Conneely, Member  
Joe Donahue, Member  
Joe Finn, Member (arrived 7:28pm)  
Jim Keenan, Member  
John Tobin, Member

**Members Absent:** Kevin Parker

## **Review of Minutes from the September 8, 2015 Meeting**

**Joe Donahue** requested that the language be more specific with regard to "local Parkway residents", and their eligibility to be on a Mayors Cup roster per the discretion of the PYH head coach. **John Gallagher** agreed to add more descriptive language to the paragraph in question.

Motion to Approve Minutes, subject to Donahue's request, by **Niall Carney**, 2nd by **Conal Barbuto**  
All in Favor

**Public Comment:** No one was in attendance to address the BOD.

## **PYH Parade Update/Discussion:** (7:27PM)

**Joe Donahue** advised the BOD that the Irish Social Club is booked for Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>. However, the final price for the hall rental is not available yet, will further discuss with Mary Mulvey Jackson from the ISC.

**Mike O'Brien** will reach out to Joe Gillespie (BPD/West Roxbury) to coordinate parade logistics from Billings Field to the ISC.

FMC to send Zamboni for parade.

Sean McCarthy to provide DJ services at parade after party.

Joe Donahue suggested that the raffle tickets for the annual \$10K fundraiser be reduced to \$50 per ticket, from \$100 per ticket. (to be discussed further at November meeting)

### **Grievance** (7:30PM)

**Mike O'Brien** informed/updated the BOD of the locker room incident that occurred with the Bantam B team.

**Mike O'Brien** and **Joe Donahue** met with the parents of the involved player, along with the player himself. Bantam B coaches were addressed as well. The meeting lasted approximately 2 hours in length, and took place in the community room at the Roche Rink. **Mike O'Brien** stated that the player in question, apologized for his behavior, and that the player was given a stern warning by Mike O'Brien with regard to his behavior. **Joe Donahue** suggests that coaches should be reminded via email about having a locker room parent or coach in team locker rooms at all times.

### **Marketing:** (7:36PM)

**Conal Barbuto** advised the BOD that PYH House programs have been distributed, and that the House programs is slated to begin the Saturday after Halloween. (11/7/2015)

**Joe Donahue** agreed to distribute PYH House Program Flyers at the Coppinger Court Hockey games(s) on Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>.

### **Treasurers Report:** (7:38PM)

PYH treasurer **Nick Favorito** presented his report to the BOD.

**Nick Favorito** reported to the Board that to date, approximately 48% of the VHL, and 43% of the MYCGL are paid as scheduled. Periodic email reminders are to be sent to families regarding their tuition obligation for the 2015-2016 season.

Overall, **Nick Favorito** reported the PYH program to be in financially sound condition at this time.

During the Treasurers Report there was a request made by **Mike O'Brien** to continue to provide financial assistance/scholarship to families (members) who have lost a parent/guardian. **Niall Carney** with the motion, **Conal Barbuto** with the 2<sup>nd</sup>.

All in Favor

**Conal Barbuto** conveyed a request from the Lyndon School, to the BOD that a House League tuition (LTS Tuition), be donated for their fundraising auction. A motion to provide this was made by **Paul Conneely, Niall Carney** with the 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
All in Favor.

Motion to accept Treasurers Report made by **Lisa Berlucchi, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Donahue**

All in Favor

**Cybersport:** (7:48PM)

Ongoing, nothing to report.

**Skills** (7:49PM)

**Niall Carney** and **Paul Conneely** updated the BOD of the success so far this season with the Wednesday night skills session. **Paul Conneely** would like to have Mass Crease run a goalie clinic during the 6-7PM hour on Wednesday night. The clinic will take place in the neutral zone area of the ice. (between the blue lines) **Jim Keenan** expressed concern that the U10/U12 girls would be negatively impacted with the reduction of ice during the goalie clinic session. After further discussion and deliberation among the board **Jim Keenan** was OK with a trial basis, and the BOD agreed to revisit the matter if the sharing of ice with the goalie clinic was indeed impacting the girls ice hour.

**Niall Carney** and **Paul Conneely** offered to the BOD that Mass Crease was a flexible group, in terms of their commitment, and using different ice hours on Wednesday.

**Mike O'Brien** suggested that PYH work with Mass Crease on a 4 week trial basis, and revisit the goalie clinic at the conclusion.

**Paul Conneely** motioned for PYH to commit to the goalie skills program with Mass Crease at a cost of \$150.00 per week. 2 sessions during the 5-6pm ice hour, and 2 session during the 6-7pm ice hour. All to be revisited at the November PYH BOD meeting. **Joe Finn** with the 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
All in Favor

**Coaching:** (8:07pm)

**Paul Conneely** had nothing to report to the BOD.

**John Tobin** requested that Mike McDonald be added to his Pee wee A roster.

**VHL:** (8:08pm)

There are continuing issues with referees not showing up for scheduled games.  
**Joe Donahue** to draft letter to the VHL.  
**Nick Favorito** to review invoices to ensure that PYH is not being billed for referees that are missing games.

**Middlesex Girls Conference:** (8:16pm)

**John Gallagher** has been in communication with the Middlesex director with regard to the release of the upcoming game schedule. Due to a family member's illness, Kathy Cincotta is behind schedule on getting the post parity schedule out to the leagues.

**District 1/ Mass Hockey:** (8:18pm)

**John Tobin** had no updates for the BOD.

**Equipment:** 8:19pm

**Kevin Parker** was not in attendance to update the BOD. BOD Members/Coaches had no equipment issues or concerns.

**McLaughlin:** (8:20pm)

**Mike O'Brien** informed the BOD that the tuition was set , at the special meeting, at \$195.00 Flat rate.

**John Tobin** motioned for all levels of Pee wee, Squirts, VHL Mites, U10 and U12 players be eligible to participate in the McLaughlin League. As well as continuing the same format/structure as in past years. (full ice games)

**Lisa Berlucchi** with the 2<sup>nd</sup>.

All in favor

**Niall Carney** has been in communication with Bruce Holloway from the Score Boston Hockey Program. Similar to last season, **Niall Carney**, requested that BOD offer 5-6 scholarships, to members of the Score Boston program.

**Lisa Berlucchi** motioned for awarding 6 scholarships to Score Boston for the McLaughlin program. **Joe Donahue** with the 2<sup>nd</sup>.

All in Favor

**Jim Keenan** requested that **Niall Carney** solicit a donation of tickets, or other raffle type item from the Score Program, for the PYH fundraising event in December.

**Pictures:** (8:29pm)

Picture Coordinator, **Lisa Berlucchi**, recommended to the BOD that PYH engage the services of Clix Photography (Shawn Hemman) for this year's PYH team photos.

**James Keenan** motioned to engage Clix Photography, as well as commit to a 2 year commitment with Clix for PYH team photos. **John Gallagher** with the 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
All in Favor

**New Business:** (8:40pm)

A) **Nick Favorito** would like to set tuition for the upcoming midget season.  
Tabled for discussion until the November meeting.

B) The BOD acknowledged the resignation of BOD member **Tab Brown**.  
Several members spoke in appreciation of Tab's service to the PYH program.  
**Mike O'Brien** will reach out to all candidates from the 2015 election to inform those candidates of the open position. **Mike O'Brien** to report back to the BOD the names of interested candidates, at which point the PYH BOD will conduct a vote on electing a replacement for the seat formerly held by **Tab Brown**.

At 8:40PM , **Mike O'Brien** motioned to adjourn. 2<sup>nd</sup> by **Mike McCarthy**.  
All in Favor

Submitted by

John Gallagher  
Secretary  
11/04/2015