

# **Pawling Youth Hockey**

## ***Board Meeting Minutes***

**March 5, 2014** (Monthly Meeting)

### **I. Call to order**

President Tom O'Hara called to order the regular monthly meeting of the Pawling Youth Hockey Executive Board at 7:10 PM on March 5, 2014.

### **II. Roll call**

*Attendees:*

Tom O'Hara, Melissa Geiger, Bill Maasz, Maria Mignone Steve Maynard, Todd Henke, Kurt Twaddell and Chris Shultz.

### **III. Approval of minutes from last meeting**

Steve Maynard made a motion to accept the Feb 5, 2014 Meeting Minutes. Chris Shultz seconded the motion. The meeting minutes were approved.

### **IV. Presidential business – Tom O'Hara**

-Alumni Game- 11 players are signed up so far. Several coaches have stated that they can bring additional players if necessary. The Certificate of Insurance has been obtained and submitted Kerry at Trinity Pawling. Discussed food preparations and items to be raffled. Family Open Skate will be held immediately following the Alumni Game.

-Jersey Survey- The results of the survey were inconclusive. The results were close. There were a lot of abstentions. Due to the lack of a clear majority who want new jerseys, the board decided to keep the existing jersey design. An improved quality jersey that looks like the existing jerseys will be explored. Existing jerseys will still be usable if the decision is made to go with an improved quality jersey.

- CGHL- The annual CGHL fees include the cost of the year end tournament. The girls' teams will be entitled to a second tournament each season.

-Tom began a discussion regarding the Holiday Tournaments. He asked whether members would rather skip the Holiday Tournaments, rent more ice time at Trinity Pawling and hold more clinics. After a discussion, the Board decided to continue to send the teams to Holiday Tournaments.

- Tom started a discussion on the merits of holding 2 evaluations, one in the spring and one in the fall. This led to a discussion of the evaluators. The Board Members who were present agreed that efforts should continue to improve the evaluation process and that the coaches should be

aware of what the evaluators will be looking for so the coaches can prepare the players in the practices leading up to evaluations.

- The Board discussed the problem of limited practice time that occurred in January and February. Many comments were made by the membership stating that the decreased ice time this season adversely affected the teams. The Board discussed the problems created by the cancellation of six Pawling High School Varsity games due to the weather. Those cancellations resulted in the Varsity games being rescheduled to be played in ice slots that had been scheduled for PYH team practices.

-Early registration will start on April 14, 2014.

-The Board discussed the effectiveness of sending out flyers to the local schools in June. The board discussed participating the Fireman Carnival events in surrounding towns and setting up a recruiting table at the local Little League Opening Day events.

-Tom would like to start planning for upcoming Fundraising and Spirit Events, including the car wash.

#### **V. New Business**

- Maria Mignone signed up PYH to participate in the Beekman Community Day on July 19, 2014.

-Kurt Twaddell requested that an e-mail be sent to the membership advertising the Guns and Hoses charity hockey game that will be held at Brewster Ice Arena on March 8, 2014

#### **VI. Meeting Adjournment**

Tom O'Hara adjourned the meeting at 8:50 PM