

**Demons Youth Hockey Association
April 11, 2012 – Board Meeting Minutes
Holliston Fire Department
Holliston, MA**

Executive Board of Directors ("BOD") Members in Attendance:

Jack Bloomer	President	Present
Dave Franco	First VP	Present
Debbie Amorelli	Second VP	Present
Harry Keates	Program Director	Present
Carolyn Kirk	Registrar	Present
Al Maillet	Coaching Director	Present
Kevin Schlicke	Treasurer	Present
Mike Murphy	Secretary	Present
Lynn McCluskey	Rink Coordinator	Present
Bernie Mitchell	Skills and Development Director	Present
Bill Douglas	Transition Director	Absent
	Membership Director	Vacant

10 present – quorum

Parent / Candidate for Registrar Amber Bengé attended the meeting

Open Meeting Items

Board Meeting called to order at 6:45 pm

1. Board Member Reports

- a. Coaching Director's Report
 - i. Al Maillet distributed the documentation for the new team placement process (85% tryout score, 15% coaches selection) which was approved at the February board meeting. The team selection / coaches meeting is planned for early May.
 - ii. Al also presented a guideline for team sizes at each of the levels (mite x-ice, mite, squirt, and bantam).
- b. President's Report
 - i. Jack Bloomer reported that SMS will be taking several teams out of the NSYHL and moving them to the Valley League.
- c. Ice Coordinator / League Representative's Report
 - i. Lynn McCluskey continued the discussion of teams leaving NSYHL.
 1. KP/Walpole is leaving for the South Shore Conference

2. SMS(Bantam, peewee, and upper squirt levels) & Tri-Valley are leaving for the Valley League. SMS (Mite, lower squirt) are staying at Northstar.
3. Framingham is looking to add a couple of teams back into NSYHL.
4. Remaining associations are Assabet, Triboro, Demons, Lakers/Bay State, Medfield, Mid State, Shrewsbury and Starhawks)
- ii. Lynn provided an estimate of the number of teams for next season:
 1. Mite 1: 10
 2. Mite 2: 11/12
 3. Mite X-ice: 1
 4. Squirt 1: 9
 5. Squirt 2: 9
 6. Squirt 3: 10/11
 7. PW1: 10
 8. PW2: 9
 9. PW3: 7
 10. B1: 7
 11. B2: 6
 12. B3: 4
- iii. Lynn reported that Rink 3 at Northstar is planned for completion in mid-November, and that they are now planning on a 25 game season.
- iv. Lynn also reported that NSYHL is looking at the possibility of some crossover games with the Greater Boston League at the Bantam & Peewee levels.
- v. Lynn reported that the NYHL is trying to revive their league at NESL. They are out recruiting programs, and are offering block scheduling and full year schedules as an incentive. So far, they are having trouble getting commitments.
- d. Treasurer's Report
 - i. Kevin Schlicke discussed the situation with the budget – based on NSYHL's input our budget was based on a 22 game season. NSYHL is now moving to a 25 game season. The delta cost is ~\$6600, or ~\$40 per player.
 - ii. The board discussed options to cover this deficit:
 1. Go back to NSYHL and ask for partial relief on the \$6600 (passed 9 for, 0 against).
 2. Ask for a tuition increase of \$30 to cover costs, if NSYHL provides no relief (pass 8 for, 1 against).
 3. Increase the mite team sizes to eliminate a team (not considered)
- e. Developmental Director
 - i. Bernie Mitchell discussed a proposal he received about safety training (concussions, first aid, etc.). This is a free service that would be provided to the board. Bernie to reach out to him and ask if they would attend a meeting for the whole organization.
 - ii.
- f. Program Director's Report
 - i. Harry Keates reported that we have received our Cheever Grant!!!
- g. 1st VP Report

