

**Demons Youth Hockey Association
May 9, 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	Absent
Kevin Schlicke	Treasurer	Present
Mike Murphy	Secretary	Absent
Lynn McCluskey	Rink Coordinator	Present
Bernie Mitchell	Skills and Development Director	Present
Bill Douglas	Transition Director	Present

Dave Franco taking notes in the absence of Mike Murphy.

9 present – quorum

Approximately 25 Demons members attended Open session.

Open Meeting Items

Board Meeting called to order at 6:38 pm

1. April 2012 minutes were approved.
2. Board Member Reports
 - a. **President**
 - i. Decided against running for re-election. Announcement came via posting on website after May 1st deadline to apply
 - ii. Spoke with several people about rink progress. Town Manager suggested a meeting after the town meeting
 - iii. Participate in meeting to set preliminary team lines
 - iv. Participated in team selection meeting
 - v. Working to fill BOD positions
 - vi. Fielded several calls and emails on both sides of the electoral issue
 - vii. Assisted at various tryouts

b. 1st Vice President

- i. coordinated two jersey and equipment drop-off days at the Ashland locker for coaches
- ii. 6 out of 11 teams returned their jerseys and equipment
- iii. 5 teams did not - will make other arrangements with them
- iv. 3 jerseys missing from Midget A team (#s 13, 16 & 20) - I have an email out to the head coach and team manager to get a status as they had been trying to track them down
- v. more Demons jerseys "found" during the season - plenty of stock for next year based on the number of registered players
- vi. preparing to order socks and other equipment for next season
- vii. no District meeting in May to report on

c. 2nd Vice President

- i. Yearbook raised \$6500. It is now in the hands of the graphic designer and printer.
- ii. Plan to have a table at Rediscover Ashland event on June 16th. Amy Morrissey, if she is elected, will help me with the table.

d. Coaching Director

- i. Organized High School Skills Sessions (Ashland Coach could not make our times, and Sully didn't have the Cycles so we only got Holliston and Hopkinton)
- ii. Wrapped Up Tryouts
- iii. Ran Coaches Meeting
- iv. Picked Teams

e. Registrar

- i. Finished tryouts, entered scores into spreadsheets.
- ii. I received assistance during the final tryouts by candidate for Registrar, Amber Bengé.
- iii. Met with Al & Jack to review scores prior to coaches meeting.
- iv. Attended coaches meeting.
- v. Cleaned all the pinnies and will return to Dave to be stored in the locker.

f. Ice Coordinator / League Representative

- i. Completed April practice / game / tryout schedule
- ii. Registered our teams at Northstar for next season
- iii. Continued discussions with Northstar regarding number of teams for next season, particularly at the Bantam level.
- iv. Will have update from Northstar for tonight's board meeting

- v. Discussion with NESC - they will be a host sight for the Valley League next season
- vi. Attended NYHL meeting regarding 2012-13 season.
- vii. NYHL (open team league) will not be a league next season.

g. Transition Director

- i. Finished pee wee tryouts
- ii. Fielded questions from folks re: May 9th vote
- iii. Talked to 2 families in Framingham beginners now about the Demons program

h. Program Director

- i. Ran tryouts for goalies.
- ii. Communicated with Ellie Cheever and the Bruins organization in regards to the Cheever Grant.
- iii. Investigated other grant opportunities.
- iv. Attended coaches meeting.

i. Skills and Development Director

- i. Attended multiple tryouts & evaluated goalies
- ii. Responded to summer camp / program inquires
- iii. Updated "hat trick" wording for Development
- iv. Created a rough draft for 2013 Development program

No issues or questions with BOD reports.

3. BOD Items

Midgets:

Decision needs to be made on where our Midget team(s) will play next season. NYHL Midget league is no longer in existence. We would like input from Mike Murphy. Foxboro League and Valley League are possible options.

4. Items from the Floor

- a. Member feedback on nomination issue:

Board got questions from roughly 10 of the 25 members in the audience.

- Dan Terry: “write-in” candidate proposal for period of May 1 up to election
- John Kirk: supported the passing the by-law change in order to open up the possibility of additional candidates because the directions to the membership showing the deadline to submit an intent to run for a

position were not clear and he felt as though the organization should not box itself in to not allowing as many viable candidates as possible.

- David Downey: possible electronic voting option so members don't have to come to Board meeting to vote in elections
- Tracy Hudson: # of votes per family. Do both parents get to vote, is it one vote per family or one vote per child?
- Michelle Jerrett: questions about Board's power of allowing / disallowing possible additional candidates during May 1 to election period and the inconsistencies it includes. Wants membership to be able to vote if a person submits after deadline, not just approval by the BOD.
- David Frandina: complained about too much bureaucracy in his experience with the Demons
- Jim Chuslo: wants current BOD members to give their notice of stepping down at least 15-30 days prior to submission deadline to give membership an idea of who is staying and who is leaving
- Bill Gabriel: proxy vote idea – wants write-ins to be able to jump in right up until the election, but not to allow proxy votes on those late submissions
- John Lareau (sp?): more questions about what to do after May 1 and prior to elections
- Mark Lombardi: consideration for two candidates for President – “it's all about the kids” theme and wants more people on the ballots

Open Session Adjourned at 7:30 pm

Bill Douglas left meeting after Open Session.

Executive Session

Executive Session Adjourned at 9:40 pm