

Stamford Youth Hockey Association September 10, 2014 Open Board Meeting

Board Members Present: John Nilsen, Vic Rella, Lee Bowbeer, Dave Genova, Brian Mitchell, & Kevin Unger

Called to order at 8:25 pm.

Minutes from the June Meeting on the Website

President – John reported on the opening weekend. 300-400 people attended the picnic. Everything went great and was a great start. Thank you to Chuck Steitzel and all those who cooked and helped. Golf tournament is next week.

Treasurer – Re-imbursement form is now up on the website to make the process a little more thorough. Managers need to finish getting checks for jerseys, only 2 teams are set so far. Fundraising is extremely important this year

Operations – Lee thanked all those who helped with the picnic, especially grilling. 300 confirmed along with more on the day of the picnic including 1 number of people from Southern. The picnic only cost the league \$944. Practice Schedule is up for the season. Blue Streak will be up today or tomorrow. Gotta Love CT Hockey video should be up on Thursday. Philadelphia Tournament schedules and hotels should be out next week. Discussion

Development – We have commitments for 8 team sponsors @ \$750 each – Nordic Stove, Zody's, Vinny's Backyard, Tracks, Blueline, Firefighters, Dairy Inn and one other. Instant Replay will probably be a sponsor also. Golf Tournament still needs foursomes and hole sponsors. We are a week away with approximately 40 golfers. Last year we raised approximately \$7K. We're hoping for a better turnout with the season being closer than last year. Discussion on Tournament & sponsors

Registrar – House registration is open. We need to increase registration and discuss whether Mites and others may be mandatory. All travel rosters have been set with releases, just waiting for the PeeWees to be set. James Doherty stepped down as Midget Coach. Coaches warm up suits will be shipped today. Jersey should be shipped by the end of the month. We are trying to get it pushed up. Old jerseys are set up to use until new ones come in. Discussion

Secretary – New website is up and still a work in progress. Chuck has changed us over to Google Mail for board emails since League athletics discontinued their email system with aliases. Discussion

Vice-President - Swedish exchange fundraising kicked-off at the picnic. Rex has talked with Kenny regarding banners and consolidating banners at the rink.

Hockey Directors – 1st Mite/squirt clinic tonight with 35 kids attending. Bobby has talked to Erik Nates about getting them in for speed skating. Bobby is working on house league curriculum with at least two

high school players as house coaches as needed. Good response to the coaching clinic and other sessions this past weekend. Discussion

Old Business –

- Need to set-up online suggestion box

New Business

- Question was raised about house and who the house coordinator was. Discussion. House coordinator would be more administrative like a team manager for the house league. We need to get feelers out. Discussion held on making house league mandatory with a positive response from those present about making it mandatory for Mites.
- Discussion on house jamboree for mites. It was a great experience last year. Lee stated that ice is available

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Victor J. Rella, Secretary