

Stamford Youth Hockey Association

December 9, 2015 Membership Meeting

Board Members Present: Mark Rosetti (MR), Lee Bowbeer (LB), Kevin Unger (KU), Chuck Stietzel (CS), Chris Berlingo (CB), Randy Samuelson (RS), John Nilsen (JN)

Start: 7:30pm

First Aid Kits

- First Aid Kits were distributed to team managers present
- Any manager that did not receive one should reach out to MR

Rink Vandalism

- Currently under control
- JN sent out a "Rink Rules" document to the membership
- CS will post the rules on the Bulletin board at the rink.

Fundraising

- Skate-a-Thon to be held in March as end-of-season event
- Sue Dwyer presented pledge forms to be used
- Will sell tee shirts or sweatshirts at the event
- SYHA Raffle
 - Registration is underway
 - First prize of \$2000 or free tuition. Other prizes TBD
 - Books will be distributed by managers and collect proceeds/unsold tickets
 - Board members are not eligible

Tryouts

- Will need to be held earlier this year due to Rink closure for roof work in April
- Timing will be difficult with school vacations and holidays
- Coaches will be named for A prior and best efforts for other teams
- Request for coaches to be sent out in January

Membership Survey

- LB will send out a mid-year survey to the membership
- SurveyMonkey will be used for \$25

Thursday Ice Issues

- TCR made an error in giving us Thursday afternoon ice. LB had checked with them as soon as we got the contract in July and they did not indicate any issues. JN signed the contract in August.
- Practices will be need to be reshuffled to ensure all teams get the right amount of practice time.

- Please be patient as the changes are rolled out.
- This will also adversely impact the number of clinics we are able to offer.

Budget Updates

- We received \$2,000 from the estate of Henry Geriak
- Still need to collect from some families. Many are on payment plans.
- Cash flow is OK
- Pucks are disappearing at an alarming rate

U8 House Competition Rule

- New rules are being enacted for House to ensure that travel players are not scoring too much and making for a less enjoyable and rewarding experience for the others.
- Three goal maximum for players after which goals will not count.
- The goal is to get the travel players to pass more and involve the other in the game.
- MR sent email to House coaches about the rule
- LB will inform Karen Shane so referees can enforce rule change

Swedish Exchange

- Ice has been secured from Chelsea Piers and TCR
- Some games will be moved from TCR to Chelsea Piers so that the SWEX Jamboree can be held at TCR.
- Teams scheduled to arrive February 26
- 28 skaters staying with 25 families. First year Bantams helping to house players because it is more than we expected.

Team Updates

- Representatives for each team gave updates on the season

ADM/Goalie Clinics

- Have not been occurring and with ice issues will probably not have many
- However, every practice should devote some time to the ADM model
- Coaches can reach out to Bobby to arrange the goalie coach to attend their practice.

Adjourned: 9:15pm