

# Stamford Youth Hockey Association

## October 12, 2016 Membership Meeting

### Board Members Present:

John Nilsen, Kevin Unger, Chuck Stietzel, Chris Berlingo, Randy Samuelson

### Board Members Absent:

Lee Bowbeer, Mark Rosetti

**Start:** 7:45pm

### Non-Travel Teams

- Registrations
  - U8: 37, U12: 24, Lady's: 32, Tiger Sharks: 22
- Good pick up of travel players with inclusion of house fees in travel tuition
- Looking for someone to manage our social media outlets (Facebook, Snapchat, etc) to market SYHA

### Fundraising

- Golf Tournament was a success
  - Stats: 62 golfers, 50 signs
  - Expect ~\$7,000 profit
- House Sponsors
  - Currently short 2 sponsors, looking for help finding businesses
  - \$750 sponsorship fee
- Skate-a-thon
  - Chris Berlingo to reach out to find organizers for next year
  - Plan to hold on closing weekend as last year was such a success
- Rink signs
  - Chris Berlingo will talk to Ken about places we could put sponsor signage in the rink

### Clinics

- Kurt Nichols clinics have been well received
- Lots of skating!
- Suggest breaking up sessions into two 45 minute skates instead of one 90 minute.
- Coaches could use a game plan when helping out

### Team Funds

- Managers should carefully account for all money collected for team funds
- Ensure that you maintain receipts and documentation to ensure that distributions can be explained.
- The Board is not responsible for the management of team funds

## **Tournaments**

- Most of the league is traveling to Philadelphia for a tournament on the last week of October
- This tournament (or one other if the team is not attending) is included in a player's tuition
- It was suggested that we include a second tournament in the tuition since most teams do at least 2
- If agreed, tuitions would need to be increased to cover the costs

## **Playing Time**

- John Nilsen posed question on what the league's philosophy on playing time should be
- Suggested that coaches should roll lines generally but could shorten bench late in close games
- Some suggested that A team coaches should be given more latitude in what players should be on the ice
- It was also suggested that more latitude should be given as the age level increases.
  - Mite Level – Always Roll -> Bantam Level – Coach's decision
- The Hockey Committee will discuss further

**Adjourned: 9:00pm**