

Stamford Youth Hockey Association

November 9, 2016 Membership Meeting

Board Members Present:

Kevin Unger, Chuck Stietzel, Chris Berlingo, Randy Samuelson

Board Members Absent:

Lee Bowbeer, Mark Rosetti, John Nilsen

Start: 7:45pm

Coaches Certifications

- Many coaches have not finished modules and/or certifications
- These must be complete by 12/31 or must be removed from the roster

House Select

- Only five registrations
- Mark Rosetti needs to confirm that we are still moving ahead with the program
- Dec 15 is start date for program

Travel Team Information

- Alternates should be requested by 12/31 to be properly rostered
- CHC is relaxing roster movements for goalies due to shortage
 - Requires pre approval of CHC before game
- Lady Shark jerseys are in and will be distributed this week

Swedish Exchange

- Fundraising to be combined with Association
 - League wide raffle will be run with some proceeds used to fund SWEX
 - Wreath sale progressing as usual
- Both Bantam teams will be participating
 - 26 players have signed up
 - Requires pre approval of CHC before game

Fundraising

- Acquired all sponsors for house league
- Discussed holding comedy night as fundraising event
- Holding a knee hockey stick sale
 - Wooden hockey stick that can be customized with logos, names and numbers
 - Will post and blast advertisement

Other Business

- Request to set up midget tryouts earlier so that teams and schedules can be set
 - Late start led to difficulty scheduling games
- Hockey Committee roles and responsibilities are not well publicized
 - Members and roles should be defined and available on website
 - Group email address should be set up so families and email committee with concerns
- Request that goalie couches are not scheduled when three teams on on the ice for practice
 - Led to overcrowding and not enough nets

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