

Stamford Youth Hockey Association

February 8, 2017 Membership Meeting

Board Members Present:

John Nilsen, Lee Bowbeer, Chuck Stietzel, Chris Berlingo, Randy Samuelson

Board Members Absent:

Kevin Unger, Mark Rossetti

Start: 7:30pm

Spring Hockey – CT Flames

- Mike Carlucci introduced the Flames spring hockey program to the membership
- Flames have had a good relationship with SYHA. Many coaches and players participate.
- Visit website for teams and tryout information: www.ctflames.org

Raffle

- Big success! Over 2,000 ticket sold.
- Winners drawn at meeting:

Prize	Name	Ticket #
CitiField Experience	Shaulson	0610
Boston Getaway	Ramkishun	1797
Messier Autographed Jersey	Lechner	0046
NY Rangers Experience	McGuire	1790
LG 60" TV	DeBaradinis	1739
Sony 55" TV	Epes	1211
Xbox One	Morris	0754
Apple iPad Mini	Haggerty	0497
Google Home	Tuccinardi	1456
Google Home	Blatnicky	0640

Survey Review

- Good participation from travel and house families. ~40% in both cases.
- Travel families looking for improvement in the following:
 - Opportunities for teambuilding
 - Does this mean off-ice activities?
 - More tournaments
 - Quality of practices and use of ADM
 - Not enough practice based on USA hockey 3:1 practice to game ratio
 - Membership may not understand what ADM is
 - It is not just station based practices
 - **Action:** CS to add information and links to website on USA Hockey ADM

- Clinics
 - Membership not happy with number of clinics
 - Many more clinics were held this year than last year
 - Members confused about clinics being regular practices
 - Will post a consolidated clinic schedule on the website
- House families looking for improvement in the following:
 - Clinics (see above)
 - Quality of completion
 - Varied skill sets with travel and first time hockey players in league
 - Depending on conflicts some teams could have many travel players or none at all.
 - Knowledge of House Philosophy
 - Need to publish and educate

Travel Coaches for 2017-18

- JN recruiting and accepting application for travel coaches
- Coach surveys have been sent out to travel families. Board to review prior to team assignment.
- Coaches will be announced at next membership meeting

Supplemental Leagues

- Hockey committee recommended against supplemental leagues.
- We will not be doing Major/Minor this year. SYAH does not have the numbers to support it.
- Based on that we could only participate in EJPHL at the Major level.
- Teams could make the election to participate as they did this year.
- Notification of potential players' parents needed to be done at tryouts so they could opt out.

Adjourned: 9:00pm