



AHA Board Meeting Minutes Oct. 4, 2016

Attendees: Tom Beckwith, Bryan Coughlin, Karen Skolfield, Patrick Arguin, David Sullivan, Dan Feldman, Rai Daley, Emily Moreau, Alyssa Mandeville, Eliot Deres, Matt Motyka, Ryan Scott

September Board meeting notes reviewed and approved with some edits.

President's Report

- Small Claims court: 1 family with outstanding balance was taken to small claims court. Received first court ordered payment. Dan working on small claims court date at Franklin County court. Anticipates December court date.
- Met with Mullins Center staff to discuss ice contracts. Next year would like to have 2 nights at Mullins Practice rink.
- Try Hockey for Free Day. Nov. 12th in practice rink. Volunteers needed.

Vice President of Hockey Ops

- 2015-2016 Locker incident review. Safesport complaint filed with USA hockey. Mass Hockey and AHA Coach-in-Chief Sullivan conducted independent investigations. Both parties interviewed players from the team named in the complaint. Mass Hockey and Coach in Chief Sullivan's investigations did not find evidence that safesport had been violated as stated in the complaint. Mass Hockey recommended creating a stricter locker room monitoring policy.
- 2016-2017 Hockey Ops rules reviewed. Girls' program information was added. Also, statement regarding dismissal from AHA added. Members whose actions are proven to be detrimental to AHA can be asked to leave Amherst Hockey. Motion to accept 2016-2017 Hockey Ops rules with additions made by Dan Feldman. 2nd Tom Beckwith. Motion passed 10 to 1.
- Discussed UMass Hockey Ambassador program: AHA teams will have UMass Hockey players assigned to their teams to assist this season. Jeff Smith will contact AHA coaches regarding assignments.

Vice President of Association Activities

- AHA flyers will now be allowed at Belchertown schools.
- Volunteers: Difficulty finding volunteers. Discussed option of imposing fines for not volunteering. Possible buyout fee of \$250.
- Looking for new coffee table coordinator. Suggestion: Steve O'Brien and Julie O'Brien

Treasurer's Report:

- Ice invoices have been resent.
- Working on closing People's Bank accounts and transferring funds to Florence savings accounts. Having difficulty since not listed as account signer.

Fundraising:

- Antonio's Night. Raised \$112 from 50/50 and donations. Still waiting to receive proceeds from Antonio's.
- Earned \$200 from Belchertown auction. Next year will be able to collect portion of door fees.

Webmaster/Registrar Report:

- USA hockey rosters will be submitted within the next few weeks.

Girls Division Coordinator

- Girls Try Hockey for Free Day. 18 registrations so far. Looking for volunteer to run gear sale during GTHFF day.
- Girls House Division: 22 registrations as of 10/4/16. Anticipate more after GTHFF day. Cap is 25. First practice will be held on 10/20/16.

Equipment Manager Report

- 2016-2017 gear distribution date-none set. Discussed creating better mechanism for distributing equipment. 1 month into season some teams are still without a team puck bag, first aid kits, and goalie gear.

Apparel Coordinator

- Squirts-Bantams coach's jackets will be in next week. Mites will be available at a later date. Head coach's warm-up jackets will be available within the next 2 weeks.
- DK online store will be open on 10/10/16. A link will be added to AHA site.

Tournament Coordinator

- Freeze-Out Tournament update. Tier 2 has 2 teams registered, Tier 3 4 teams registered, and Tier 4 3 teams registered. Numbers do not include AHA teams.
- Forming Tournament Committee. Volunteers needed.

GSL Rep Update:

- GSL Coaches meeting 10/12/16 at 7:00pm at Amelia.

Old Business:

- Coaches education requirements.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:40.