

SRIYHA

Meeting Minutes

6/2/14, 6:30PM – 8:30PM

Attendees: Keith Labrecque, Mike Natalizia, Dino Rizzi, Greg Gonsalves, Greg Cox, Joe Gately, Pete Chabot

Not in attendance: Bill Brew, Sharon McGreen, Jack McGreen, Toby Gibbons, Jeff Peltier, Sean Lyons

Quorum: YES

- *Acceptance of 5/1/2014 minutes*

Discussion of whether to accept the meeting minutes from the meeting held on 5/1/2014 for posting on the website.

VOTE: SRI will post 5/1/2014 meeting minutes on the SRIYHA website.

AYES: 8 NAYS: 0 **Status: PASSED**

- *Discussion topics*

1. New league configuration review (SNEHC privatization and how it affects SRIYHA)
 - Season for ALL divisions has a hard start and end date.
 - o Start date: September 6th, 2014
 - o End date: February 27th, 2015 (all regular season games must be finished by this date)
 - Only the top 4 teams will make it to the playoffs (same as last year)
 - All finals will be held on the same day, same location (same as last year)
 - Number of games will increase to 28-32 from an average of 18-22. This will likely impact the number of practices throughout the season.
 - Period length is 12 minutes with the intention to move to 15 minute periods in the 2015-2016 season.
 - Divisions will be rebranded under influential RI hockey figures' names (e.g. A-division might be called the "Terreri" division after NJ Devil's and PC Friar goalie Chris Terreri).
 - Bantam season will be 9/6 to 11/3 and 11/24 to 2/27. The intention of SNEHC is to eventually move to a single bantam season.
 - All tournaments must be communicated to the league on or before **6/24/2014**.
 - SNEHC has already provided blackout dates (where no games will be scheduled) as follows: Columbus Day weekend, Thanksgiving weekend, Xmas Eve through January 4th and MLK weekend. Tournaments may be scheduled freely during those dates.
 - There will be teams in the league from Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket. Special considerations will be made by SNEHC to accommodate for those games.

- Further information is located at www.snehc.org.

2. Coaches for all travel teams have been finalized as follows:

- Squirt A: Peltier
- Squirt A2: Brew
- Squirt B: Campbell
- Peewee A: Chabot
- Peewee A2 White: Dougherty
- Peewee A2 Blue: Haigh
- Peewee B: Krekorian
- Bantam A: Antonucci
- Bantam A2: Rizzi
- Bantam B: Gonsalves

The remainder of the discussion concerned ideas for fundraising that included the following:

- A season program that includes rosters (potentially schedules) and advertising from supporters.
- Clinics with semi-pro skaters
- Pond hockey tournament
- Sell advertising on the half-ice boards for Mite B/C if we purchase them
- Season raffle

Submitted 6/2/14

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