

January 9, 2011

Dover Youth Hockey Association Board of Directors

MINUTES

Open Meeting:

1. Call to Order @ 6:34 p.m.
 - a. Dave Middleton
 - b. Dennis Pease, Director of Operations
 - c. Cheryl Sullivan
 - d. Ryan Kaichen
 - e. Michelle Launsby
 - f. Melanie Walsh
 - g. Ellen Barton
 - h. Eric Post
 - i. Tim Broadrick
 - j. Peter Keilty
 - k.

2. Members' Comments – *Any member of the Association may raise issues to the Board at this time. Speakers are asked to limit comments to five minutes. If more time may be needed, please make prior arrangements with the President via any Board member. After this item, the meeting may be closed at any time by motion, second and a majority vote of the Board.*
 1. John Hall and some parents from his Bantam Select team came to discuss their game count, with which they have been dissatisfied. As of today, the team has played and has scheduled 29 games. The Select program was advertised as having a “30 game limit” in the regular season. However, the Squirt Selects have over 40 games scheduled, and the Pee Wee Selects have fewer, but close to 40 games. Dennis has asked the team’s GSL opponents to schedule additional games, and

3. Reports
 - a. President – Dave Middleton
 - i. Dave attended the NHAHA meeting last weekend. Tournament dates were announced (attached).
 - ii. There is some sense – in Dave’s estimation – that the NHAHA has some issues.
 - b. Secretary – Tim Broadrick
 - i. Minutes of previous meeting(s) – Dec. 5 minutes (attached) were approved, unanimous
 - c. Treasurer – Stacie Constas
 - i. Monthly report tabled until later in the meeting (Stacie absent)
 - d. Director of Hockey Ops/Scheduling report – Dennis Pease
 - i. Dennis will be working on finding a few more games for the Bantam Select team
 - e. Referee in Chief report –Ty Morin
 - i. Ty Morin not present
 - f. Coach Development Report – Peter Kielty (report attached)
 - i. Report was approved unanimously
 - g. Player Development Report – Dan Coffey
 - i. Dan Coffey not present
 - ii. Ryan Kaichen talked about having Andrew Leach go on the ice with the Mite Selects for a practice or two
 - h. Team Manager Coordinator – Michelle Launsby
 - i. Nothing to report – all is well (tho there are issues at times with the NHAHA website)
 - i. Seacoast League report – Cheryl Sullivan
 - i. Coaching modules need to be done
 - ii. All games must be scheduled by this Sunday (we are done)
 - iii. Our teams have committed to their respective SHL tournaments
 - iv. Tournament fee will not change this year
 - v. Pee Wee White (Pee Wee Select team) is missing a player on their roster. Registrar must fix this.
 - j. NHAHA report – Dave Middleton

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 - k. IJYHL report – Dennis Pease & Tim Broadrick
 - i. Dennis and Tim presented information about a proposed expansion of the IJYHL
 - 1. Ensuing discussion brought up concerns about the direction and policies of the Granite State League... the Board is open to considering different league alignments at different levels of our travel program (as we do now by placing Major and Minor teams in GSL/IJYHL and Select teams in GSL/SHL). Several different variations were discussed... the Program Committee will explore these issues further.
 - l. Middlesex League report – Dennis Pease
 - i. Nothing to report
 - m. Level Reports:
 - i. Midget – Cheryl Sullivan
 - 1. Season over; nothing to report
 - ii. Girls – Dave Gnall / Tim Broadrick
 - 1. Tim Broadrick made a motion that the Board pay an entry fee for the U14 gold team to go to a tournament... this was not included in the girls' U14 program offering, and the Gold team's game count is not significantly different from our preseason estimate. However, Tim discussed some extenuating circumstances that have contributed to a less-than-ideal experience for this particular team since last year's tryouts.. Motion was seconded by John Kelly, and passed by a unanimous vote.
 - 2. Next women's council meeting Wednesday January 18
 - iii. Bantam – Cheryl Sullivan
 - 1. Cheryl recapped a disciplinary hearing that was held during the last week of December.
 - iv. Pee Wee – Melanie Walsh
 - 1. Tim Broadrick stepped down as Pee Wee Select head coach and was replaced by John Kelly
 - v. Squirt – John Kelly
 - 1. The Board discussed the excessively heavy schedule of the Squirt Select team. The GSL policies surrounding tier movement had a lot to do with this situation, which developed over the first few months of the season. A combination of factors resulted in a 45+ game schedule for this team, which was supposed to be limited to 30 games plus a tournament. Some ideas were discussed about how to learn from this experience when situations like this arise in the future.
 - vi. Mite – Melanie Walsh
 - 1. Dave inquired at the NHAHA meeting last weekend regarding our grant proposal to help pay for Mitey Boards.
 - a. The NHAHA treasurer received our proposal but was unable to act on it due to a personal medical problem. Dennis re-submitted the grant today.
 - b. Pat McNulty talked to our Mitey Boards sales rep recently, and he is in favor of our intention to buy them.
 - i. Pat will require DYHA to do our own measurements before we the order the system
 - n. House League – Tim Broadrick
 - i. Nothing new to report regarding the weekly house league program
 - ii. Heyliger has been scheduled and announcements are going out this week
 - o. Program committee – Eric Post (report attached)
 - i. In addition to the attached report, Eric presented summaries of the Travel, House and Girls survey results
 - p. Fundraising committee – Melanie
 - i. Dance is a week from this Friday... tickets are out with teams
 - 1. Donations are coming in, and auction baskets are being made by team managers
 - q. Bylaw Review committee – Tim Broadrick
 - i. By Law revisions will be proposed at our March meeting
 - r. Finance and Audit committee – Stacie Constas
 - i. No report – Stacie not present
- 4. Old Business
 - a. none
 - 5. New Business
 - a. Roster movement will not be allowed by the NHAHA/GSL
 - b. Dave Middleton brought a letter from the NHAHA regarding the current status of the GSL/NHAHA
 - i. Deb Dugal (NHAHA President) wrote a letter (attached) that began an open discussion among the NHAHA representatives from all the GSL teams.
 - c. The January working meeting will be held January 23
 - 6. Adjournment at 9:15 p.m.

7. Executive Session