

Armstrong Cooper Youth Hockey Association

Annual Meeting Minutes

July 12, 2010 – 6:30pm

New Hope Ice Arena – Meeting Room #1

Meeting called to order at 6:34pm.

Board Member Attendance: Mark Gauer, Holly Martin, Troy Loken, Dave McDonough, Carolyn Soper, Greg Symicek, Alicia Brown, Mike Baker, Greg Erickson, Mike Goergen, Anne Winter and Derek Olson.

Board Members Absent: Len Lopez, Brad Caron, Jon Piazza, Matt Deterding and Joanna Rooney.

Additional Association Members Present: Scott Breitenfeldt, Dave Jenson as well as 9-12 members.

HDC Scott Breitenfeldt:

Resigning due to other commitments

****Action item for Board to set up recruiting committee for replacing Scott.**

GAMBLING REPORT:

TRACEE ABSENT: NUMBERS GIVEN ELECTRONICALLY

1) APPROVAL OF MONTHLY REPORT TO THE BOARD

2) APPROVAL FOR EXPENSES FOR AUGUST 2010 - \$28,475.00 NEEDS TO BE IN MINUTES.

3) APPROVAL TO PAY JUNE 2010 TAXES TO THE CITY OF MAPLE GROVE - \$237.63

HOLLY MARTIN MAKES MOTION TO APPROVE ABOVE GAMBLING BULLETS AS STATED ABOVE. MOTION SECONDED. MOTION APPROVED.

FEES:

1) Fees:

Mike proposes that they should stay the same, but we need to get all of the other details together. Goal is to have costs by August 1st.

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2) Opt-out costs for wreath and volunteer commitments

Dave Jenson recommends that we have a \$50 buy out and a minimum of 10 items (not including bows) sold. There is an online option to add it into the registration process. Question posed if the program includes mites. Comments made that it does include the mites.

Anne Winter makes a motion to pass the 10 item minimum. Alicia Brown seconds. Derek Olson goes on record that he disagrees. 9 yes/ 2 nays. Motion passes.

3) Volunteer hours

Alicia Brown conversed with Jim Siede who did the job last year. She would like to know if we have solid numbers for tournaments for next year. Greg Erickson mentions that we will most likely have one added tournament. The recommendation is to go to 15 for single skater and 20 for multi family skaters. But numbers are affected by the number of skaters who we have for the 10-11 season.

Alicia Brown makes a Motion to set hours to a range of 15 (single) to 20 (multi-family) hours with an option to adjust the hours after registration depending on the turn out of skaters for the season. Derek Olson seconds the motion. Motion passed.

Cashing volunteer checks from 09-10 season. She is going to e-mail the 16 families one last time to who did not fulfill their hours. The checks will be cashed in a week if they do not respond.

4) Scholarship procedure

Troy Loken recommends scholarship program again and proposes that we keep the procedures from last season. He has one family interested and would like to keep the process. Which includes himself and Mike Goergen to evaluate the families who apply keeping the process confidential and consistent. Troy wants to make it abundantly clear that a skater cannot step on the ice until previous years payments have been paid.

5) Dates for online registration and mite registration

Proposed dates are August 16th –September 7th and September 23rd for walk up mites ONLY.

6) Tryout process updates from the HDC

Fishbowl:

1. Head coach
2. (2) Evaluators
3. Non-parent assistants

4. Director of HDC
5. Level coordinator
6. Travel coordinator
7. Ace coordinator

Troy Loken makes motion to article 5, letter J, Team selection, number 7 that an evaluation committee should consist of head coach, evaluator, level travel coordinator, ace coordinators and Director of HDC. Amends motion that any parent of a child at that level will recuse from any participation of the selection process. Alicia Brown seconds amendment.

All in favor, motion passed.

b. Pool Structure (proposed change):

Upper pool players will be evaluated for a position on either the A or B1 Team, but may include B2 players if level numbers dictate. The lower pool players will be evaluated for a position on either the b2 or C teams, but may include b1 players if level numbers dictate. The exact pool configuration will be commutated prior to the start of try-outs. The HDC will communicate any deviations to the tryout process due to level numbers.

c. Try out session structure:

Try-outs will consist of up to 6 sessions of drill education, skill drills, inter-squad scrimmages or scrimmages with other associations. Session 1 may be used to educate skater skill drills or conduct skill drills. Sessions 2 and 3 may be used to conduct skill drills and or inter-squad scrimmages. Sessions 4 and 5 may consist of inter-squad scrimmages and or scrimmages with other associations. In the event a scrimmage is at another arena, it potentially could create a 6th tryout session for the upper pool players.

Membership comments that we need to keep the kids on the ice at equal times no matter what the level of play. All kids should be treated fairly at all levels when it comes to ice time and coaching during the try out process.

**Troy Loken recommends Board table the pool structure to re-evaluate and keep all players on the ice for the same amount of time.

Troy Loken makes a motion to guideline change article 5 Section C to update the pool structure. Holly Martin Seconds the motion. Motion passed.

Board Member brings up goalie try out process and there is not a new process for this season the process used last year is still in place.

7) Nominees for coaches selection committee

HDC is supportive of the coaches selection committee. The Committee is a charter and will be run by the ACE coordinator.

Greg Symicek makes a motion of Nomination of Brad Nightengale and Erik Homme to the Coaches Selection Committee. Mike Baker makes a second motion. Troy Loken asks the characteristics of nominees. Both have experience coaching as well as children in the organization. All in favor. Motion passed.

** Members please reference article 7, section 2 in the by-laws to see the reasoning of the committee as well as article 2 to get more information on the origin of this process and committee.

Member makes comment that a midseason review is an excellent idea. If there is not feedback coming to the coaches through parents then shame on the parents for not communicating. There is more to a coach then how much ice time they have. The morals are just as important as the hockey skills.

8) Follow-up on feedback from 2009-10 season

The board is following up on issues that have come up out of last season and working on the review process as well as how the organization handles it.

9) Financial wrap-up from 2009-10 season

One remaining checkbook that had not been reconciled, Treasurer and director resolving this month.

AHS Girls Hockey has requested a donation of 2k** Comment made that we need to have final numbers from the 09-10 season before we can consider a donation.

10) U12 merger with Hopkins

Based on numbers this year we will not have enough girls to form 2 teams and Anne spoke to the Hopkins girls' coordinator. The Hopkins coordinator wants to combine the A team. The numbers would then allow us to have our own B team. She is working out the details on the camp process. Anne feels that we will lose some of our A players if we make them skate at the B level and the merger would be beneficial to our A team players as well as our B players. This would be like our merger with Orono in the 09-10 season. Need to get with District 5 to see who would be the actual host of the season.

Scott Breitenfeldt makes a motion to bring Rob Roy back as the U12 A team coach. Derek Olson Seconds. Mike makes comment that he is speaking with

other organizations and we need to wait to hear back from him on his final decision before we vote.

11) AC Girls Hockey Night with Women's Gophers

Jerri Ann Zubic (sp) has arranged for a girls night with the Gophers. December 12th, \$8 a ticket and the girls with skate with the players and have a few snacks. Etc.

12) Teams for 2010-2011 season

Pending. Waiting for the HDC recommendations and identifying and team issues that may be arising.

13) U12A Coach

Last years A coach, Rob Roy is interested in coming back to us next year but is also speaking with other organizations.

14) Practice Jerseys

Will look into getting with AC branding. Need to review budget before perusing new jerseys.

Other Business:

Troy Loken, Assistant Youth Director:

USA hockey has issued a new locker room policy. Mike Goergen will send the memo and it will need to be distributed to the coaches and team managers.

Mike Baker, Recruiting:

Duk Duk days are coming up July 16-18 and we are almost set with filling volunteers and have our corner booth.

Greg Erickson, Tournament coordinator:

Working with Derek to get ice for a squirt tournament, it will possibly be a 3rd for 10-11 season.

Derek Olson, ice scheduler:

Buying ice for the next season and VMIA will have more hours available.

Anne Winter, girls coordinator:

Summer pond hockey skills tonight. 36 skaters on the ice.

Holly Martin, Secretary:

Needs to have June minutes approved.

Troy Loken makes motion to approve June meeting minutes. Carolyn Soper seconds. Motion approved.

Mark Gauer, Treasurer:

Mark will move 5k to tournament budget for new season. Mark is solid on the cash flow and Pnl.

Carolyn Soper, Concessions Manager:

No report

Mike Goergen, Director: has a request from the Armstrong girls association for 2k. Board member wants to know where the money will go and what will they use it for. Troy Loken states ‘he is adamantly against any donations when ACYHA is running a budget deficit’.

Motion by Derek Olson to adjourn July Meeting. Second by Alicia Brown. Motion passed and meeting adjourned 9:08 pm.