

Western New York High School Club Hockey League Meeting Report August 8, 2017

Board Members Present: (indicated by an "x")

X	Steve Ferrentino		X	Sue Koral			Yves Pierre-Louis
X	Paul Crissy		X	Marge Michalowski			Dave Saskowski
X	Roger Gmerek		X	Tom Paradowski		X	Paul Galgovich

Teams Represented: (Indicated by an "X")

Varsity

X	Canisius		Iroquois	X	St Joe's - Black
X	City Honors/O'Hara	X	Jamestown	X	St. Joe's - Maroon
X	Cleve Hill/JFK/Cheek	X	Lancaster	X	St. Joe's White
	Depew	X	Olean	X	Team Buffalo
X	Dunkirk/Fredonia	X	Orchard Park A	X	West Seneca East
X	East Aurora/Holland	X	Orchard Park B		Wilson/Newfane
X	Eden/Lake Shore/Pion	X	Royal-Hartland		

Junior Varsity

	Canisius	X	Grand Island	X	Orlean		Starpoint
X	City Honors/O'Hara	X	Hamburg	X	Orchard Park - A	X	Timon
	Depew		Iroquois/Alden	X	Orchard Park - B		TNT
X	Dunkirk/Fredonia	X	Jamestown	X	St. Francis - White	X	West Seneca East
X	East Aurora/Holland	X	Kenmore East/Sweet Home	X	St. Francis -Red		Williamsville South
X	Eden/Lake Shore/Pion	X	Kenmore West	X	St. Joe's White		Wilson/Newfane
X	Frontier A	X	Lew Port	X	St. Joe's - Black		
X	Frontier B	X	Lockport		St. Mary's		

Referees

X	Chuck Sieber		Tom Juliano
X	Mark Brennan	X	Mike Glinski

Security

	Vince Supples		
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Meeting was called to order by Steve at 7:04PM.

Fonz handed out **Varsity** schedules for the season. He advised all of those teams that when we next meet in september, thy will be finalized. For now - all teams must check their school schedules for conflicts, dances, etc. Any problems must be reported to him ASAP. He indicated he still needs to schedule a few games for a few teams. He does have some Harbor Center availability so if anyone wishes to change a game to that venue - let him know. thanked everyone for getting their ice times in for the **Varsity** teams. He then went through what the potential divisions might be for the upcoming season.

For **JV** - Schedules are about 90% done. All teams should watch their emails for the result in the next 1-2 weeks. If any conflicts Tommm has to be notified ASAP.

Treasurer Report - Varsity - Roger had a schedule of payments available for all. The fees are up about \$265 for all Buffalo area teams (excluding fines). Olean, Jamestown, and Dunkirk/Fredonia teams are up more due to higher cost of

ice and refs due to travel distances. Roger asked all to start payments in September BUT all teams have to have their payments up to date by 12/17. Motion by Cheektowaga to accept the report with a second by Dunkirk/Fredonia. All in favor.

Treasurer Report - JV - There was no report.

Referee Report

- The league was thanked for renewing the contract for another 3 years.
- Chuck reports that they are leaving *The Arbiter* and changing to another site. At the 9/17 meeting he will go over the protocols.
- He asked that all teams try and appoint one member of their team as the contact person for their site.
- During the course of the season if a game is changed - Mike or Mark have to be notified ASAP.
- He offered a Coaches Meeting with a Ref. If there is an interest - let one of them know - it should take about 2 hours.

Fonz reports:

- He and Tom will discuss with Ryan Vinz about help with *Sports Engine*.
- Home teams should be able to print the scoresheet from the web site.
- Home Teams will be responsible for clock, security, and trainers.
- Teams may wish to appoint someone with this responsibility.
- Then someone has to report game results to the VP after every game.
- Each team will need these personnel for 9 games.
- AAU Registration will be needed by all coaches and all players.
- The League Code should be available by late 8/17.
- The only paperwork needed by every team is the Roster sheet that will be on the website.
- 8th Grade testing for potential play on JV will be in late 9/17. Location is usually at Orchard Park. Be ready for this and let Fonz know if you need this for anyone.

Presentation/Update from Don DiTondo:

- Thanked teams for partnering up with his organization for uniforms.
- Moving forward Practice Jersey's will be \$8.99, Practice Jersey's with a name \$13.99, and with a Sponsor - \$18.99.
- If other apparel is needed (warmups, hoodies, etc.) the order must be a minimum of 12.
- Equipment - 20% off CCM and 25% off Warrior.
- For orders- they should be placed if possible by 9/17 but he will work with you into 10/17.
- He brought some jersey endings and may send emails to all.

Super Saturday

- 2/24/17 at Harbor Center.
- 4 games - Large, Mixed, Small, and Catholic.
- States - 3/2 - 3/4/18 at Hyde Park.
- NY and/or Rochester may come.
- Since this will be at Harbor Center - there will be support for clock, etc...

Super Sunday

- We have been bounced by the Sabres due to them have other commitments at the arena.
- It may then be on 2/23/18 and 2/27/18.
- So Media day and Chef's will change.
- Probably no breakfast but perhaps a dinner?

States

- Will be in Jamestown.
- For Large - NYC sends 3 teams - we will send 3 teams.
- For Small - We could send 3-4 teams and NYC may send 2.

Tryouts

- These can start any time you want.
- Scrimmages - as soon as your team is solidified **AND INSURED** they can start.

This Season

- **JV and Varsity can send players up and down on an unlimited basis UNTIL PLAYOFFS.**
- When playoffs start - the player/team has to make a choice.
- ByLaws are being amended and will be discussed by the Board and then at the next meeting.

- Scrimmage Carnival - 11/10/17 - AM games - 3 games. Next night - same format, Cost - will be about \$325.
- Christmas Tournament - Will be a different format this year. Due to vast difference in talent - there will be 8-10 weaker teams playing each other and the better teams will play head-to head. Dates - 12/22/17, 12/26/17, 12/27/17. Quarter finals - 12/28/17, Semi-finals and Finals - 12/29/17.
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Dunkirk/Fredonia asked if a 5th year senior can play who turns 19 in 2/18. The Board indicated no but said that the team can petition the Board.

East Aurora indicated that their rink is looking for a year round rink manager if anyone is interested.

Any team who needs help needs to ask.

Sue indicated she did not know how much longer she would be secretary but urged all to give her their team contacts for the season sooner than later and will send out a reminder.

Paul asked if anyone needed goalies and so far only two teams indicated a need.

Motion to adjourn made by Cheektowaga with a second by St. Joe's. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan M. Koral