

Attendees: Grislis, Letendre, Brew, Coutu, Wright, Novak, Cox, Hopkins, Trainor

Called to order: 7:15 pm @ Boss arena

Old Business:

- Acceptance / posting of 10.4.17 minutes
 - Jordan Novak - Motion to accept notes from 10/4
 - Second: Greg Cox
- Registrar's report: (Courtney) SRI, EJ (outstanding payments)
 - Mostly EJEPL payments are a problem
 - 10 U Some outstanding but not significant
 - U16 Fine
 - U18 is a problem which will be followed up on
- Treasurer's report:
 - Balance sheet is healthy and all ice is paid for for year
 - Expenses are basically ice, refs, computer, and equipment

New Business:

- RI Hockey SNEHC Updates (Bill) - Nothing to update from RI Hockey
- Coaching Update (Jason H)
 - Coaching application
 - Beginning of Feb send out thank you and "informational questionnaire"
 - Mentioning potentially paying for certification (to be voted on)
 - Jay and Nancy to have questionnaire in survey format (Google or Survey Monkey)
 - Skills night feedback has been good however outside coaches discussed
 - Jack to contact people and fees all three levels
 - Tryout process also discussed
 - Jay to come up with some ideas to present next meeting
 - There are several jerseys missing from U18 and U16
 - Jordan or designee to identify names and call current coaches
 - Select level coaching needs improvement and support
 - Jay to check in with coaches after watching a practice
 - High School Prep 27 kids everyone including Jon Hendricks very pleased
 - EJ has feedback has been mixed and we need to elicit feedback
 - Nancy and Justin to draft survey to elicit feedback from coaches/parent's questions
 - A general discussion was had about the future of SRI with respect to how the hockey landscape has changed / is changing.
 - This included the EJ program and its growing pains but generally acknowledged that if nothing else it is a step in the right direction for the program.

- Also discussed was continuing to build and maintain a hockey community in Southern Rhode Island, which might be including partnering with other organizations at various level for ice time, less travel and player retention.
- It was mentioned that the player retention issue on its face only affects a small portion of the player population of SRI; however, it was also discussed there are second order effects of players leaving that trickle down.
- The general consensus was that we have to continue to change with the changing landscape; however, the group felt radical changes like merging with another organization was not in the best interest of SRI and its mission.
- Partnering with another organization for players that want a different experience or for access for more ice time was thought to be more palatable.
 - Grislis to bring a proposal to next meeting.
- Resignation of board member discussed, open board position discussed
- House League (Mike) - Tabled for next meeting
 - Girl's Hockey (Nancy) – Tabled for next meeting
- Resignation of Larry N; open position; scheduler options moving forward
- Photos – Tabled for next meeting
- Ice time (Mulvey/Trainor) – Tabled for next meeting
- Time off / Cape Travel (Jamie) – Tabled for next meeting
- Attendance issues / Team sizes (Bill) – Tabled for next meeting

Motion to adjourn –Bill Brew

2nd – Jordan Novak

Meeting Adjourned: 9:30 pm