



BBL YHA Board Meeting

Sunday, September 20, 2020 – 6:30 p.m.
McPete's – Big Lake

Board members present: Ben Rusin, Brian Kraft, Steve Peterson, Justin Dugger, Danielle Gessell, Becky Heitkamp, Steph Hemmelgarn, Brady Borkoski, Theron Draeger

Board members absent:

Association members present: Chaz Ganley, Angela Ganley, Mike Peterson, Dave Nelson, Mike Clausen, Mike Klassen, Nicole Klassen, Jake Pishney, Valentina Pishney

Ben called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Brady made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from July and August, which was seconded by Steph, all were in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer Report

Steve provided a financial report for August. Steve and Brian are continuing to work on past due balances. Brian made a motion to accept the treasurer report, which was seconded by Justin, all in favor, motion carried.

D10 Update

Ben provided an update from the D10 meeting.

- Initial declarations should be in. Levels of play should be an honest assessment of the skills of the kids of the team, and not the wishes of the parent, or the pride of the association board.
- Head Coach information for each team should be sent in as soon as possible.
- Bantam B2 league will go back to 1-hour games for the 2020-2021 season.
- Preliminary versions of the D10 handbook and the activity schedule are out on the D10 website. D10 is still making some adjustments and the final version should be done soon.
- COVID preparedness:
 - Encourage each association to have a COVID point person – our association's point person is Becky Heitkamp.
 - Each team should have a COVID coordinator – our team managers take care of this.
 - D10 is consolidating arena guidelines across the district.
 - Example of current policy that may extend to the teams once the season begins.
 - Teams with 2 or more cases of COVID will suspend play for 2 weeks (14 days)
 - Only 2 coaches on the bench per MN Hockey mandate.

- Lose a goalie for 14 days due to COVID – the substitute goalie form can be used, but not for Squirts.
- Mite declarations are due by October 5.
- Mite team information, coaches, and team managers is due by October 24.
- Are Mites going to be allowed to go to other association within D10? This has not been discussed yet. If a team stays in-house, they are not eligible to go to a jamboree or U10 tournament. This may be discussed further by D10.
- Roster sign-offs will be on October 31.
- Board rosters are due by September 30.
- MN Hockey website is updated for coaching.
- MN Model – there is money available for starter equipment for associations.
- Team Manager meetings are mandatory for Squirts managers and any new managers. Meetings are scheduled on October 27 at Stick n Stones and October 29 in Rogers. Working to set up Zoom meetings as well.
- Mandatory coaching meetings will be done via Zoom.
- All game scheduling will be done online.
- Rescheduling process and game reporting process will stay the same for the coming season.
- Ref and Scrimmages – 2 officials are allowed on the ice, and no more.
 - Scrimmagers – you MUST make sure that there is a score book in the score book, level of play, and jersey numbers. Refs are instructed to make sure the books are there, and if not, they will not ref the game. Players that are kicked out will serve their penalties.
 - During tryouts, the pool kids must be listed and sent to D10 with the game date, time, location, and level of play.

Side note on masks – Anyone working the clock or coaches on the bench must have a mask on.

Other info from Ben

Girls Coordinator – Ben nominated Mike Peterson to take this position, which was seconded by Becky, all were in favor, motion carried.

46 Mites A-D registered this year so far. Thanked all involved with recruiting them.

Tryouts – Will use scrimmages to figure out level of play.

Princeton East Rink – Should be up and running by December 1. Princeton is adamant that we will get all of our hours. We will have at least 2 hours each weekday and 5-6 hours on the weekend days.

Hockey Sock Purchase

Discussion was had about ordering knitted or switch to sublimated. Theron and Steve will work on pricing of both and possibly get sublimated from jersey vendor.

Jersey Sizing

Theron advised jersey sizing is on Tuesday. Email will go out with the jersey number to order by the end of the week on the vendor's website.

Storage Shed

Ben advised the storage unit will be cleaned out by the next meeting.

Girls Program Update

Ben advised there are 27 girls through all three levels.

Ice Scheduling Update

Ben advised they met with Missy and the Princeton president. Ice is scheduled through October 4. New schedule will start on October 5 through November 9. Will need to take four of the eight 7:30 a.m. slots. Princeton will take the other 4 slots. For Learn to Skate, Jr. Eagles, Try Hockey for Free, Nicole asked about what hours are wanted and she will see if it will work. Ben suggested doing Learn to Skate with Princeton - combined ice time. Jr. Eagles Camp will have four sessions – Saturday/Sunday on two weekends. USA Hockey Try Hockey for Free is on November 7.

Asked about Goalie Clinics – Brady said he contacted to Steve Carole about goalie clinics.

Ben advised he reached out to the skating coach as well.

Ice Board Update

Dave Nelson provided an update. The arena is expected to cost approximately \$6.5 million. They are working to start a capital campaign. They have a new website at www.bblia.org. They have their gambling license and have been approved to do e-tabs at The Hideaway in Becker.

Open Forum began at 7:22 p.m.

Ben advised the Pishneys are requesting Evan to try-out for Squirts as he misses the cutoff by 3 days. Ben made the motion, which was seconded by brady, all were in favor, motion carried.

Dave Nelson advised the equipment room was cleaned out and organized. Bought equipment through the mite camp to donate to the association and wants to make sure that it is going to be accounted for. Justin suggested having the mite coordinator check the equipment in and out.

Danielle asked about an alternate plan for try-outs if any kids might be quarantined during try-outs. It was decided we would offer a separate try-out if needed.

Justin said we should get the parade float from the Ganley's to move to the storage unit.

Nicole raised a question about sharing goalie equipment at the Mite levels. Association will get disinfectant spray for this goalie equipment.

Pucks at the rink – Mike advised they are in the battery room behind the Zamboni room since the door to the east rink is locked at night due to construction.

Steph advised she is still trying to get an intro to hockey going in the fieldhouses at both Becker and Big Lake schools. She advised they are getting close to being able to schedule. Steph will let us know when she knows more about scheduling.

Next meeting was scheduled for Sunday, October 25, at 6:30 p.m. at McPete's.

At 7:45 p.m., Becky made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Steph, all were in favor, motion carried.

Action Items:	Date Initiated	Deadline	Status
Order socks	September 20	As soon as possible	In progress
Clean out storage unit & move parade float to it	September 20	October 25	In progress
Schedule Jr. Eagles Camp	September 20	October 25	In progress
Schedule goalie clinics	September 20		In progress
Schedule skating coach	September 20		In progress
Purchase disinfectant spray for Mite goalie equipment	September 20	As soon as possible	In progress