

EYHA Board Meeting Minutes

Essex High School

June 21 , 2018

Board Members Present: Sarah Stempek, Sean Haggerty, Mike Smith, Craig Benson, Nick Salvatori, Brent Carpenter, Mike Ginnett, Frank Parisi, Katelyn Tessier, Rick Villamil, Amanda Cowan, Dan Forcier

Board Members Absent: Bruce Garrapy, Andrew Hier

Others Present: none

Advisory Board Members: Vince Dober (not present), Jessica Stough (not present), Austin Dober (not present)

Call to order: Sarah Stempek, President of the board, called the meeting to order at 7:06pm.

Agenda Items:

Previous Meeting Minutes: motion from Sean Haggerty to approve May meeting minutes, seconded by Craig Benson.

-Motion approved

Visitors Open Discussion: There were no visitors.

Executive Updates:

Treasurer-Frank Parisi. Frank has met with accountant and everything looks good. Finished 17-18 at -\$550.00. Frank handed out copies of EYHA 18-19 budget.

Ice Coordinator-Craig Benson. Ice at Essex is scheduled through November 25th. CVU girls will be using ice at Essex this year. Next year CVU will go back to Cairns and only three high school teams will be using Essex. This will open up some practice ice.

Waterbury is unable to give extra practice ice. Craig booked Friday nights from 8-9:15 for U14 and Midgets(?) and Sundays from 7:30am-1pm.

Fundraising Coordinator-Open.

VSAHA Rep-Mike Ginnett. No meeting, nothing to report.

Head Referee-Bruce Garrapy not present, no report.

Registrar-Andrew Hier not present. Sarah reported that Dan is going to meet with Andrew, Sarah, Amanda, and Rick to go over Sports Engine.

Travel VP-Sean Haggerty. Sean uploaded guidelines for 18-19 year for what coaches must do be certified. They will start looking at coaching applications at end of summer.

House VP-Brent Carpenter. Nothing to report.

House Representative- Open Position

Women's Director-Katelyn Tessier. The parade was successful. A few boys showed up, but only one marched. Suggestion to get another banner so that we can have a boys group also march.

Katelyn needs list of girls' emails so she can send out info about camp at UVM.

Sarah is still working on coordinating youth and high school girls off ice training.

Head Coach-Mike Smith. Bruins dates are all Saturdays: **9/22 9/29, 10/6, 10/13.** All times are 9-10am. Bruins will pay for ice time. This year it will be made sure that players have not played before and there will be pre-registration for Essex members first. Looking for players U6. Marketing budget needed for flyers, posters.

Level 5 clinic is in August in Lake Placid (8/23-8/24).

Mike is updating coaching page on website to try and get an idea of who is interested/eligible to coach. He will also collect data on who needs what for certifications.

Mike wants committee to update tryout procedures (putting all players on ice together or in groups, how many nights of tryouts, etc.).

Tournament Director-Rick Villamil. 3 Vs. 3 tournament. Bottles have been ordered. Mike has been sending email notices about tournament. 2018 rules need to be put on website. There will be shirts that can be ordered online and some will be available on day of tournament. There are also towels to hand out. Confirmation from barbecue shop to run grill. Hannaford will be donating food. Looking for people to run concession stand. The link is currently open. Suggestion to have state send info out to other organizations. Ask Dan about capping tournament at 22 teams.

Equipment Coordinator-Nick Salvatori. Nothing to report. Nick is wondering if there is a spreadsheet available for what we currently have. Rob should know what we have and will need to meet with Nick. Nick needs key to shed and we will plan a time to meet and go through equipment. Coaches get pucks, bag, med kit, and board. Squirts have goalie equipment. We need a box in rink to hold tools, etc. We also need new locks.

Decision this year to have 2 practice jerseys (1 blue, 1 white) and socks for all players Squirt level and up. Board is planning to increase cost in registration to pay for these.

Secretary/Safe Sport Coordinator-Amanda Cowan. No news for Safe Sport. Tentatively have community room at Essex Fire Dept for July 19th and August meetings. Will confirm.

Past President-Dan Forcier. Dan will do sport engine training with Sarah, Amanda, Andrew (tentative date 6/28).

Dan will be making a generic parent handbook so that it doesn't need to be updated yearly. He also wants to look at Organization Operating Documents and see if we have the necessary board positions. Suggestion to have a Media/Communications/Web organizer position. This involves changing bylaws. If we want to change anything, we need 18 non-board members to do a vote.

President-Sarah Stempek. Sarah wanted to discuss adding a Communications/Media director.

New Business:

Discussion of Midget Team: Likelihood of 10 players for 18U. Need 12-15 for a team. We would need to pursue players to get numbers. Sean has heard of possibly 4 more players from CSB. Mike thinks that we need to think about a full season team, as there are already 2 split season teams available (or 1 team if Glades and Lumberjacks merge). We need to find someone to spearhead a Midget team. It would be ideal to invite kids to play early on. We will plan on offering a team at registration.

Projections: we open registration in July. New USA Hockey numbers are available now.

Proposing 2 teams at 14U.

Proposing 3 teams at 12U.

Proposing 2 teams at 10U.

Proposing 1 girl team per level.

Proposing 3 teams of 8 for 8U.

Proposing 1 team for G8U. We need to work on rallying more girls for this team.

House: 46

Newbees: 59

Total players: Approximately 270

Approval of 2018-2019 Budget: Mike Smith made a motion to approve budget, Sean Haggerty seconded the budget.

-Budget approved.

Next Meeting: July 19, 2018 Essex Town Fire Dept. (Sandhill Rd.)

The Board adjourned open session at 9:44pm.