

WYSA Meeting Minutes

10/5/20

Attendees: Amy Blain, Brian Casey, Ryan Burns, Kara Simoneau, Lisa Stewart, Mike Morel, Rick Morris, Sara Eriksen, Steve Rubman, Eric Hubert, Lindsay Rocca, Don Collins, Jeff Timmins, Bill Welch

Meeting called to order at 7:04 pm

September minutes – add Bill Welch. A motion was made to accept September minutes. Motion passed.

Financials:

Steve paid Geragosian for Goalie Skills. Paid September ice fees. There has been \$65k in major expenses so far.

Mite 3 Coaching Update:

Drew Palmer will coach the Mite 3 team. In return, we will add his son to the team and he will play for both the 2s (his original team) and the 3s.

Fundraising:

Pictures to occur at Hockeytown, upstairs, during the week of October 19. Dynamik will be there as well with Bauer products for order.

10k raffle – we hope to pull names in December. Names will be pulled daily – as a name is pulled it is eliminated from the raffle. We hope to start selling tickets by the last week of October.

Question from the Board: is this a raffle or a sweepstakes? Determined we will ask Rob Guida what – if anything – we need to do regarding publishing the rules.

COVID Protocol:

Parent on S2 team tested positive for COVID-19. Then a S2 player (from a different family) tested positive as well. As of today, two coaches and eight S2 players have been tested and are negative. The entire team is under quarantine until October 10, per the state's direction.

Moving forward, it was decided by the Board that if a player tests positive, they must present a negative test before coming back to hockey. Everyone from that player's team or teams must also be tested and provide a negative test before returning to hockey. Beyond that, rules and guidance will be issued by the state regarding quarantine protocol and we will follow those rules.

We need to encourage the younger ages to wear their masks the entire time they are on the ice – limes through Squirts.

It was decided that we will need a few points of contacts for COVID notifications. We then need a flow chart of what happens in what order. A subcommittee was assembled to create a flowchart and protocol for steps – members include Steve, Brian, Lindsay, and Amy. Subcommittee to present its plan to the Board for approval.

Coaches Agreement:

No progress has been made on this as of yet. Discuss at a future meeting. (Agreement coaches must sign before coming on board with a team regarding ethics, behavior, expectations, etc. for the team).

Valley League Update:

Age directors need to make sure players are registered with Valley League. Age directors to follow up with their coaches.

D10 Update:

We have learned that spitting in a rink could become a criminal offense. Coaches have to be in charge of being sure masks are worn.

100 retailers are offering 2-8% kick back for online shopping. Bill to send Kara info.

Bruins are looking to do a LTP program in the spring. No details as of yet.

Coaching requirements – we're at 50% with regards to completion of all requirements. SafeSport has to be done, online modules, and background checks. If those aren't completed, you will not put on the roster. We have to have rosters submitted in order for teams to be eligible for play downs and state tournament.

State tournaments – they are trying to figure out a workable plan that can work with rink owners and the associations that run the tournaments, as well as the state. Possibly stretching them out over multiple weekends so there aren't as many teams present at one time. TBD.

Age Directors:

Pee Wee – Adam Krass is interested. Rick is having a call with him tomorrow to go over the responsibilities with him. Kara is talking to someone as well.

Comms will do another push to the association.

LTSP:

24 skaters have registered so far. People who want to be on ice helpers have to register with USA Hockey.

Imites:

Games start this weekend. They will be split between Stoneham and Hockeytown. Total cost for ice for Stoneham is \$5300 - \$2650 per team.

A motion was made to pay \$5300 for Stoneham ice for Imites. Motion passed.

Mites:

Good start for all three teams. All are 2-0. We need to bring two Imites up to Mite 3. One former Mite 1 player has gone to the Islanders, but the mother is not happy with the way the Islanders are handling COVID. So, she may want him to come back. However, she still hasn't registered him.

Squirts:

Squirt 2 COVID issue as mentioned above. Saturday that team will return to the ice.

Pee Wee:

Pee Wee 2 team has only had two games to date because of a cancellation and the Kasabuski issue.

Bantams:

Levels on the team are widespread.

Equipment:

We found the lefty goalie equipment. We had to purchase a righty blocker and a few Imite goalie sticks. Lindsay will turn in receipts to Steve.

Two Imites who will be Pee Wees – they should have both received their Pee Wee shirts.

Middle School:

Eric to email to see if they will still be doing Middle School this year. Then we need to open registration and issue a notice.

Meeting adjourned at 9:08 pm