Petoskey Area Hockey Association Board Meeting
Northern Lights Recreation
March 12, 2024 @ 6:30pm

In Attendance: Sarah Saddison, Chris Firman, Brent Bolin, Henry Pfiefer, Heaven Alcala, Fedor Fedorov, Rob Higgins

Absent: none

Public in Attendance: Anthony Brandao, Jason Younker, Heather Younker, Ashley Adkison, Tanya Reeb, Jason Reeb

1. Brent called the meeting to order at 6:44 pm.

2. Approval of tonight's agenda and 2/13/24 meeting minutes. Rob motions to approve. Heaven seconded. Minutes approved 7-0.

3. Public Comments:
    a. The public inquired on the 12U spring team. The board would like to create a policy for PAHA spring travel teams. Anthony would like the 12U spring team to be an open tryout. The board will determine the best route to take as far as how many will qualify from an outside association once/if proposal is approved.

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    b. The public inquired on 12U parent letters that have been submitted to the board regarding the head coach. House hockey is about developing all players. The expectation in house is that all players will play. This is something the board will be standing by. Selects and travel team coaches will have the option for uneven playing time based on skill level. Fed and Rob are working on developing player and parent code of conducts for next season. Players need to be at practices and work ethic must be there. Fed and Rob will work on addressing the parent letters.

4. **12U Spring Team Proposal:**
    a. Proposal for a 12U spring team has been emailed to the board from Anthony.
    b. This would be an opportunity for spring and summer training to prepare players for their upcoming house season.
    c. Tryout would be open to other associations.
    d. 2012 birth years and younger
    e. 1-2 practices per week
    f. Players would also be encouraged to do FHA clinics/trainings.

g. Minimum of 1 tournament
h. Local games would be scheduled
i. Use PAHA jerseys
j. This would be player funded. Approximate cost is $550/player
k. Chris suggested payment would be 50% up front per player.
l. Rob motions to approve the team with 50% up front with the tryout day moved to the first week of April. Henry seconded. Motion approved 7-0.
m. Sarah will send an email out to the 2012-14 birth years, reminding families that all prior ice bills must be paid before tryouts.

5. **Treasurer's Report:**
   a. Heaven emailed a financial report.
   b. Heaven reviewed February financial statements
   c. Learn to Skate is requesting another $4200 for a 3rd installment. The spring skate is figure skating. Fed will reach out to her to inquire if this is hockey related and get back to the board. Heaven will pay the winter check.
   d. Goalie gear is $3400.
   e. Heaven has been reaching out to families with outstanding bills owed to PAHA. Heaven sent certified letters to all these families. The next step will be collections.
   f. Barrett family – Heaven will be writing off this bill.
   Banquet Update
   g. Banquet – we will receive final numbers by March 16th – approximately $5000 will be the cost. Fed offered to pay for the medals if we cannot fund. Sarah will order the medals. Brent will MC. Coaches will introduce teams. Grand Unity will decorate and provide food.

6. **President's Update:**
   a. Heaven and Brent are on the bank account. Liz is off the account. Brent and Chris have keys to the storage garage.
   b. Fed has brought up that he would store PAHA gear with a room being built at the rink. He will need someone to install the door. We will look into this.

7. **Equipment Report:**
   a. Return of jerseys – Chris will coordinate pick up with managers.
   b. Jerseys are to be dry-cleaned.
   c. Return of ipads – Chris will coordinate.
   d. Return of puck bags and other equipment – Chris will coordinate with coaches.
   e. Follow up on damaged jerseys – Chris will reassess the damaged jerseys once he collects.
   f. Henry ordered the red hats (5 packs of 12).

8. **2024-25 Registration Planning/Update:**
    a. We can get registration done early again this year and offer an early discount. Henry/Sarah will look into automated payments.
    b. Coaching list – all interested coaches are to email Fed.
    c. Henry will reach out to Huntington to ask for someone on the trust to come to our board meeting, so that we can learn about how to use the trust.
    d. Petoskey Ice Arena will more than likely raise rates to: $300 ice rental per hour. We will start working on registration, with a potential May sign up.
    e. Coaches, assistant coaches, and managers – Heaven will work on a policy to have access to use the gym.
    f. There is currently not going to be a 12U girls team at PAHA.

9. **2024-25 Season Team Planning:**
    a. We will table this for now.

10. **Travel Team Policies:**
    a. Board will work to revise policies.

11. **2024-25 Board Elections:**
    a. Date – we will ask for nominations through email (1 week window).
    b. Positions up for re-election
        i. **1-Year Term** = President & Fundraising Coordinator
        ii. **2-Year Terms** = Vice-President, Treasurer, Coaching Director, IP Director

12. **PAHA Committees:**
    a. We will table this for now.

13. **Board Member Updates:**
    a. Julianne has resigned from her position through email.
    b. Brent, Rob, Fed will re-run. Heaven will consider re-running.
    c. Brent will look at the terms and get back with the board on elections.

14. **Next meeting:** We will schedule our next meeting through email.

Brent adjourned the meeting at 9:09 pm.