

CPHL BOARD MEETING MINUTES – WEDNESDAY, JULY 12, 2023, VIA ZOOM 7:00PM

Attendees – Kent Barrett, Kevin Lawson, Sharon Blackwell, Ishan Manerikar, Tracy Petruska, Jacob McGregor, Chase Petruska

Missing – Gerald Doucette

Agenda

**London Tournament Update
CEWHA Vs Power Hockey Canada
Development Camps
Player Recruitment
Player Registration
Volunteer Code of Conduct
Team Jerseys**

Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.

Kent called the meeting to order and asked Chase to provide an update on the London Tournament recently attended by 9 CPHL players and 2 coaches.

Chase provided an update indicating he felt the tournament was a success and a good experience for the players and himself, he indicated that he spoke to all players at the end of the tournament, and everyone had positive comments regarding the tournament and the experience. Players left knowing where they are needing to make improvements in their games.

Jacob provided an update on a meeting that was help by Adam Ellis of CEWHA explaining the situation between CEWHA and Power Hockey Canada. Jacob, Chase and Tracy were in attendance as well as representatives of London and Toronto power hockey leagues. Kevin noted that it has been CPHL policy to remain neutral and not get involved in this dispute.

Chase mentioned that he felt the board should have more knowledge on the issue and so it was decided that we would ask Ben to speak to the board at the next board meeting, scheduled for Monday, September 18th and provide the board with more background information.

Ben had previously sent an email to the board requesting a statement be made regarding some comments that were made on the tournament broadcast, details were discussed but all members were against CPHL issuing any statements.

Chase provided an update on the development camp held in June at Vivo. Chase felt that the camps were very successful noting improvements by all current CPHL players. He advised that there were three new players out to try it camp and they did very well and did indicate that they may be interested in registering for the fall league. The camp averaged 11 players each Saturday in June.

Chase voiced some concern about the September camps, indicating that he has had a lot of interest and he feels that any more than 10-12 players could make it very difficult to run a productive camp, he noted his main concern is having players spending more time waiting around rather than working on skills. It was decided that he would gage interest closer to the date and discuss the option of splitting up in to two groups.

Chase provided an update on some discussions that were had amongst the players while in London, the player and families were discussing the idea of recruitment of more players so that we may expand the league to five teams, thus making the regular season more competitive. One of the ideas that came from this discussion was the idea of have some sort of referral system in place. It was decided that if a player referred a new player and the new player played at least 4 games prior to the trade deadline, the referring player would get reimbursed the cost of his/her fees. We will implement the referral system in to our online registration system.

Sharon made a motion,

Make a request to Mike Jorgensen to develop an online registration and payment method on our website and add in the referral section. Jacob second the motion. The motion was carried.

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The CPHL will implement a new player referral system. If a new player plays no less than 4 games before the trade deadline the referring player shall received a reimbursement of his fees for that season. Tracy Second the motion. The motion was carried.

In regard to the player registration form it was discussed that we would remove Section 5 on the current registration form that offers a Team-Mate and Coach Preferences. There were many requests which makes it very difficult to change the teams up from year to year and also limits trading of players during the season.

Tracy brought up Section 6 on the waiver form and a discussion on risk and damage to personal property ensued, it was discussed that we may want to invite Nathan to put on a clinic on safe play and how to defend. Kevin mentioned that all coaches should have discussions at the start of the season regarding this topic with all players.

Kevin mentioned that there are coach's courses that we may be able to attend, and he will look in to it.

Chase discussed having all volunteers sign a code of conduct. It was not determined who would work on the code of conduct but once produced we would add this as a signed document on the online registration. The player code of conduct would also be included in the online registration.

Kevin discussed new jerseys, his idea was, because some players do like the hockey jerseys, while others prefer the soccer style, he would like to order 6 soccer style jersey for each team and then give the players an option of which jersey they would like to wear. Everyone agreed and so Kevin will get jerseys ordered.

Sharon advised that she has been approached by Quest Society and they would like us to come to their facility and demonstrate the game of power hockey to their group. The dates provided were August 1 or August 4th. Kent and Chase both mentioned that they may be able to attend. It was requested that Ishan put a post out looking for players interested in attending.

Tracy advised that she has spoken with Jayden Chaban's mom, Colleen Brennan and asked if she would be interested in taking over the coordination of the Casino, she does have interest and so Lana Barrett and Colleen Brennan will discuss how to proceed. Lana indicated that she would assist through the first Casino.

The next board meeting was scheduled for Monday, September 18, 2023.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:27pm.

Minutes taken by: Tracy Petruska, Secretary