

GYHA Board Meeting Agenda

May 15, 2024

Board Members: Don Johnson, Nick Lane, Nick Mangili, Michael Gerringer, Erica Palmer Bowyer, Veronica Lamendola, Jeff Linn

Guests: Marcy Johnson, Bill Ryan

Absent: Michael

Old Business

- Yard signs Advertising
- Don brought yard signs to the meeting, he is handing them out so people can begin setting them up around
- Facebook Admin - Veronica is working with Sarah on getting a password for the Facebook account
- A third sheet of ice weekly ice, in Don's discussion with Chuck, it would mostly likely be on the weekend and a system would be developed to cycle participants through equally the different practice times.
- The rink has had a discussion with the city about the construction of a small sheet of ice and has been cleared, now the rink is looking at what the cost will be for construction

New Business

- Canes Grant (Nick M) - the cost of the grant in the past has covered the free LTP programs, bought cross-ice boards and nets, purchased goalie equipment and pads
 - Possibly write the grant to cover the cost of ice for the Lady Stars end of season tournament
 - Erica will be helping out with writing the grant
 - Don will share the link for the application
- Survey Results (Nick M)

- Nick M will share the survey results with the group at the end of this meeting so that people can bring questions or concerns at the next meeting
- Social Media (Veronica)
 - Look into setting up a WhatsApp group to post different updates, game information, and family assistance, it could be great for sharing pictures
 - The What's App group chat would be open to all GYHA organizations and even past participants
 - would be a way to communicate with the community in a different way than
 - How do you decide what needs to be on Sports Engine vs in the Whats App group chat
 - Explore FeedReader options through SportsEngine
 - Connecting our Facebook page to different platforms so that when it post it will post across the different platforms
- Standard Operating Rules for 2024/2025 season
 - Equipment - can start with black equipment as people transfer over from First Goal and other programs but encourage folks to acquire red helmets and gloves when they go up a size
 - Neck guards and mouthguards
 - Get this ready for the next meeting and we can discuss at the June meeting
 - Don will scan out some notes to share with the board
- Greensboro Grass Hoppers Game
 - The Grasshoppers have reached out about doing a GYHA night with discounted tickets to families in the organizing
 - We will set up a table to hand out information about the organization
 - June 8th -1st, June 9th - 2nd, June 7th - 3rd, preferred dates

Financials (Nick L)

- Outstanding fees - Nick L will work on a letter to the family discussing involving collectors to collect past due payments
 - Notify other organizations about outstanding fees due
- Truist Fraud Claim has been processed and a new card has been issued

Programs

- Mites
 - Fees for 2024-2025 season
 - The board will communicate with the rink to see if the cost of ice will be going up next year, as this would be the main factor that would raise program costs for next year
 - Season Information (Start and End Date, kick-off Party, what's included in fees)
 - Start Date - Sept 4th, 2024
 - End Date - March 7th, 2025
 - Kick-off Party - Late August
 - What's included in fees - socks (possibly looking for a new purveyor of socks)
 - Columbus Blue Jackets Navy socks
 - Coaching (3 applied)
 - Coaches Selection Committee - Don, Nick M, Martin, Erica
 - Including the previous coach in the meeting to help with the transition to a new coach
 - Nick Lane motioned to subscribe to [Ice Hockey Systems](#) for practice planning and training setup, Nick M seconded, and all of the board approved
 - Team Managers (2 applied) (job description)
 - Don will share with the operating rules some notes on what the team manager's duties are

- Jerseys - staying with the same jersey provider

- Skills (32 players)
 - Next Session dates - July 10th - August 28th
 - Allow Robbie to continue running the 2nd skills session - possibly have the new head coach assist or lead some of the skills sessions

- LTP (47 players)
 - Next Session dates starts July 8th - August 26th
 - First Goal will end right around the beginning of the fall session, participants receive a free LTP session
- First Goal (39 signed up) - 5:30 - 6:30 on Thursday nights
 - Don creates a sign-up genius to solicit coaching volunteers to help with the program

Open Discussion (missed items)

Need to consult with WSYHA to assess the breakdown of the girls' programs to assess how our two programs can better meet participants' needs and better serve the community

Comment Box

Session Adjourned

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM