

## CALL TO ORDER

**ROLL CALL** Jarry Rasmussen brought the meeting to order

Directors Present: All except: Kent, Mid Fairfield and, Salisbury. Notwithstanding these absences, a Quorum is satisfied. The attendance log reflecting tonight's attendance is made as an attachment to these minutes.

Board Officers Present: President, Jarry Rasmussen; Vice President, Chuck Wilkerson; Secretary, Art Blakeslee; Treasurer, Michael Federico

Other CHC officials (non-voting) present: Registrar, Mary Turner; Eligibility Chairperson and District-I Commissioner, Kathy Ludwig; District-III Commissioner, Art Blakeslee; District IV Commissioner, Bob Walker; Tournament Chair, Chuck Wilkerson; Marketing/Grow the Game, Ken Dixon; Coaching Director, Bruce Wolanin; Referee in Chief, Barry Zalczman; New England Director, Tom Regan.

## ACCEPT THE MINUTES

The November and December minutes were approved.

## PRESENTATIONS

- Peter Alden of Elite Hockey gave a presentation to introduce the program to CHC in a request to be admitted to membership in CHC. A copy of the presentation provided is attached hereto as an exhibit. Peter provided his presentation and accepted questions during a discussion period. Representatives were asked to bring the information back to their programs for discussion, in order to prepare for a further review at the February meeting, after which a vote will be held on their membership request.

## REPORTS

### President:

- Jarry brought news from the Winter meetings of USA Hockey, held in Orlando the week prior to this meeting.
  - ✓ Tier 1 parameters were established and presented to the Affiliates. These are based in the population of players at each age group in the prior season, with a maximum percentage of that number eligible to play at the Tier 1 level. Based on these parameters and CHC's numbers, this translates to the following maximum number of boys' teams at Tier 1 for the following age groups for 2018-19:
    - 14-U: 13 teams
    - 15 Only: 5 teams
    - 16-U: 9 teams
    - 18-U: 6 teams
  - ✓ While most age levels are within parameters, there is the potential for more teams to request Tier 1 status than are allowed. Programs who have performed at this level for the previous two seasons are grandfathered if they choose to continue. New programs looking to declare Tier 1 face the possibility that there might be more requests than spots available. CHC must determine criteria to select the appropriate teams should this situation arise.
  - ✓ Tryout rules were established and stated unequivocally as follows:
    - No program at Tier 1 or Tier 2 with teams on a path to a National tournament may hold tryouts, or even host any hockey-related activities such as free skates, stick/puck sessions, or any other activity that could be seen as trying to influence participants to a particular program, for those eligible age groups (14-U and older, boys or girls) prior to 48 hours after the end of the final game of the National tournament in any given year. For 2018 only, due to an extended tournament schedule, this deadline is 24 hours after the end of the final game, which would mean the evening of April 11, 2018.
    - Any program violating these conditions will have those Tier 1 or Tier 2 teams declared ineligible for any state, regional or national tournament.
  - ✓ Many more proposals that had been discussed, rumored and/or floated in the netherworld of hockey were withdrawn at the meeting, but could still return in future.
- At the local level, the Audit Committee results will be shared at the February meeting. The response to the auditors is not yet ready for submission, so it would be imprudent to share with the membership at this point.
- Women's Hockey meeting: The notes from last week's meeting are posted in the Girls section of the website.
- Tier 1 discussion remains open, and suggestions should be sent to Jarry. The next meeting is January 30.



YTD CHC ATTENDANCE 2/17-1/18

These are the rules regarding meeting attendance & good standing:

**Article III Meetings**

- Each member program shall be represented at CHC Board Meetings by its designated representative, or in his absence, by an officer of the program, or by such representative designated in writing for that meeting. Duly represented member programs in Good Standing shall have the privilege to propose amendments to the Constitution, By-Laws, Polices and Rules, and vote on matters raised to the Board of Directors.
- Regular Meetings will be held on the 4th Tuesday of each month, at 7:30 PM at the West Haven Italian American Club, Chase Lane, West Haven, Connecticut, unless otherwise decided by the Board of Directors.
- The Annual Meeting shall be held in April, place and date to be determined by the Board of Directors.
- Each member program shall be represented, as stipulated in paragraph (1) above, in at least 75% of all regularly scheduled monthly meetings. Should a member program fail to attend the minimum number of meetings, then a \$50 fine shall be added to that program's annual membership registration costs and such program shall not be considered to be in Good Standing. A member program may regain its status of Good Standing if subsequent to its loss of Good Standing, **it has attended three (3) consecutive regularly scheduled monthly meetings** or such sanction is lifted by petition to and majority vote of the Board of Directors, subject to the condition that if said member program has lost it status of Good Standing twice during the then-current season, the sanction can only be lifted by petition to and majority vote of the Board of Directors.

**\*\* Teams highlighted in RED are not currently in Good Standing, and teams highlighted in YELLOW are one absence away from being Not In Good Standing**

	2/28/17	3/28/17	4/25/17	5/23/17	6/27/17	8/22/17	9/26/17	10/24/17	11/28/17	12/19/17	1/23/18	11 Consecutive Meetings Total Absences	Attendance Percentage
Avon												0	100.00%
Central		A	A			Good Standing Attendance			A			3	72.73%
CT Northern Lights	Excused		A		A			Good Standing Attendance				2	81.82%
CT Polar Bears						A			Good Standing Attendance			1	90.91%
CT Riverhawks				A						A		2	81.82%
Darien												0	100.00%
East Haven				A		A		A			Good Standing Attendance	3	72.73%
Echo				A		A				A	Good Standing Appeal	3	72.73%
Enfield			A					A	A		Good Standing Appeal	3	72.73%
Gr NH												0	100.00%
Greenwich Blues							A				Good Standing Attendance	1	90.91%
Greenwich Skate					A			Good Standing Attendance				1	90.91%
Griffin			A	A	A	A			Good Standing Attendance	A		5	54.55%
Hamden	A	A			A			Good Standing Attendance				3	72.73%
Hartford Jr. Wolfpack			A	A	A		A	A	A	A	Good Standing Appeal	7	36.36%
Kent	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	11	0.00%
Mid Fairfield							A				A	2	81.82%
New Canaan		A	A			Good Standing Attendance			A	A		4	63.64%
Northeast			A	A			Good Standing Attendance		A			3	72.73%
Northwestern									A			1	90.91%
Norwalk Roughriders												0	100.00%
Pawling		A								A		2	81.82%
Putnam						A		A		A	Good Standing Appeal	3	72.73%
Ridgefield												0	100.00%

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Salisbury	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	11	0.00%
Shoreline Sharks					A							1	90.91%
Simsbury												0	100.00%
So Windsor		A		A			Good Standing Attendance					2	81.82%
Southeastern				A								1	90.91%
Southern					A							1	90.91%
Stamford	A	A		A			A			Good Standing Attendance		5	54.55%
Wallingford				A								1	90.91%
Watertown		A										1	90.91%
West Hartford		A						A			Good Standing Attendance	2	81.82%
West Haven					A				A			2	81.82%
Western				A								1	90.91%
Whalers	A	A	A	A	A			Good Standing Attendance		A		6	45.45%
Wizards					A							1	90.91%
Yale												0	100.00%