

AMHERST YOUTH HOCKEY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

November 6, 2017

The General Board of Directors of Amherst Youth Hockey, Inc., held a board meeting on November 6, 2017.

President Steve Bengart , noting that a quorum was present, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Present: Steve Bengart, Ed Guzdek, Dave Hayman, Peter Kneis, Christina Biondolillo, Sunil Bakshi, Tom Tzetzto, Matt Balling, Darren Palaszewski, Frank Lukomski, Joe DesRosiers, Randy Harris, Scott Moshner, Joe Spano, Pat Gormley, Rob Reynolds, Mike Wulkan, Ken Coyle, Jeff Hughes, Marc Rosenthal, Gary Joseph, Bob Schell and Jeff Marion.

Excused: Bill Higgins, Ralph Gattozzi, Glen Aichinger, Tim DiGiulio, and Paul Gugino.

Steve Bengart thanked everyone for helping with Try Hockey for Free, and noted that we may have realized 4 new registrations from the event. Steve also noted that AYH placed 259th on Buffalo Business Firsts 2015 list of million dollar non-profits with revenues of \$1.365 million.

Correspondence: None

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve Minutes from October 2017 Board Meeting by Palaszewski, **Second** Mosher.
Approved Unanimously.

Reports:

Secretary: Bill Higgins – no report.

VP Travel: Ed Guzdek

Currently working on tryout ice for this Spring.

Working with Christina on coaching app for this year which would be a Google doc.

Sectionals are this weekend.

VP House: Dave Hayman

Level 1, 2, & 3 clinics on 11/18 in Brockport.

Coaching certifications are being checked within the organization.

Uniforms are all squared away.

Coaches who do not have their coaching credentials up to date cannot coach Selects.

Select coaches named. Mite Minor: Spano & Farrell (2 teams); Mite Major: Wulken & Myszka (2 teams); Squirt Minor: Miller; Squirt Major: DeStafano; and PeeWee: VanCise and Frelong (1 team).

Joe Simonick was nominated as a coach for 16u MOHL.

Approved Unanimously.

Treasurer – Peter Kneis

Moved profits from prior States and Nationals into segregated savings account.
A committee needs to be formed to oversee the usage of funds from these tournaments.
Travel is on budget.
House revenues are down and we are working to cut costs in that area.
All bills are current.

Motion to approve the September 2017 financial statements, Schell. **Second**, Wulken.
Approved Unanimously.

Conversation took place regarding Tier I and Tier II hockey and where AYH fits in. It was noted that USA Hockey will be determining each Association's status.

Conversation took place regarding Girls House numbers.

Steve introduced Jeff Marion as a new member of the Board, filling one of our At-large Member openings.

Registrar – Christine Biondolillo

House rosters are coming along. Travel rosters are done.

State & National Tournament Director – Bob Schell

Sectionals are this weekend. No heavy lifting on this one.
AYH was awarded the 2019 Girls Tier 2 (48 teams) and Women's Senior (22-25 teams) National Tournaments.

Tournament Director – Joe DesRosier

State Championship banners are up, thanks to Tzetzso from Joe for help.
Friendship Tournament is ready to go.
Top Gun Tournament registration is poor. May have to cancel tournament. Decision to be made.

ACE – Matt Balling

Level 4 to be held Saturday & Sunday, 12/30 and 31.
All clinic info has been e-mailed to House and Travel coaches.

Ice Coordinator – Tom Tzetzso

January & March schedules are being sent.
Reminded everyone but return ice dates.
January and February open ice will be on the website this week.

Equipment – Ralph Gattozzi

No Report.

Officials Director – Glen Aichinger

No Report.

Ex-Officio – Sunil Bakshi

Hotel will be built behind rink.

5th pad could still happen.

Residency rules for all Town of Amherst sports teams being reviewed at special meeting in December. All organizations are having issues with low registration numbers and are looking to open their groups to non-residents.

Board Administrator – Renae Gattozzi

Thanked everyone for helping with Try Hockey for Free.

Reminded everyone about sectionals and help that will be needed for upcoming States and National tournaments.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Motion to adjourn meeting, Gormley. **Second**, Joseph.

Approved Unanimously.

7:55 PM

Next Meeting: Monday, December 4, 2017 7:00 pm.