

# **Tri County General Meeting Minutes December 18th 2017**

## **Call to Order:**

John Pilon, Jeremy Rowley, Adam Driscoll, Jason Horn, Kate Gross, Steve Schultz

Not present: Stacey Esposito, Rich Esposito

**Guests Present:** Kristen Pedersen, Mike Porter, Scott Haines, Rachel Robbins, Chris Liucci, Dave Bartlett, Jim Mesler, Randy Kent

## **President Report:**

Nominations- Motion to set up nomination committee- all approved- to contact John Foos and Jim Stedman.

Bigelow Tournament update- Barely anyone showed up to the last Bigelow meeting.

No mites as part of the tournament. Mites will do nhl skills competition only

Paula Pilon would like to consider for next year two weekends that would include mites through midgets.

Rachel- In August we are supposed register your tournament, maybe we can get it on the website. John is putting it on this week. Next year let's put in August.

Kate suggested Rachel go to a Bigelow tournament.

Squirt B full with 4 teams, Squirt A- 3 teams one team missing.

Peewee B 3 spots open. Peewee A 2 spots.

Bantam has 2 spots filled.

Sending email out to teams to get few more interest.

Chris L- send to managers to see if they can find additional teams.

Need to go outside empire league

Picture Night— January 16<sup>th</sup>- 730-930. Younger teams will be first.

### **Treasurer Report-**

Annual budget presented by Kate- Not correct, but getting closer to being accurate. Walked thru income and expenses budgeted vs actual/anticipated. 3.29% charged by merchant account for online registration fees, \$4600 roughly.

Ref charges- invoices will be billed to teams towards end of season.

What's not built into budget is a reserve, which we need to do, would like to carry over \$10k and add to reserves as much as possible

Kate would like to set up a budget committee for next year to be able to come up with suggested fees for teams etc and have separation from income. There will be a discussion, vote on budget committee in January.

Empey skate and CEP class would be an example of things the budget committee discusses to keep or not keep.

Trophies vs Tshirts- there was not a decision made on this. Steve would like to have tshirts sizes on registration form online for next year.

Dave Bartlett- 3.29% can we consider noting that on registration? Could we save money by checks? Might be a good savings point. Budget committee will consider.

Multi Child discount will be discussed in budget committee

## **Ice Scheduler**

John sent to board January, February, March schedules to board members waiting for board suggestions. Adam brought up changes to schedule would be nice for them to be highlighted, John said this can be done with minor changes but when there's a lot of changes he can't do it.

Steve Schultz- Suggests moving everything to the cloud. Google docs could be available for everyone.

Jeremy- Website can send texts to everyone if we utilized the website.

Paul Perderson is also still interested in being ice scheduler.

Adam has been in contact with Lisa Cameleri who was unable to attend tonights meeting due to a last minute conflict. She did send an

email describing what her responsibilities would be, references etc. She will be attending the January meeting for the board to meet her.

Adam asked if its ok to include the body of the email with the meeting minutes and was recommended to wait til we meet Lisa.

Scott said that Paul Pedersen who's said he's interested and was not evaluated the same way should also be given opportunity to provide description of responsibilities and references too. Everyone agreed.

## **Head of Coaching-**

## **Travel Commissioner**

### **WNYAHL-**

Only a Christmas meeting this month

Fines were handed out because of score sheets violations, Janice was making an example. \$150 for squirt travel, \$100 for peewee

Be aware, make sure score sheet info is correct.

Very unreasonable fines in some folks opinions

Peewee travel coach will be an opening next year. Jeremy does not plan to be the coach

## **VP and Registrar Report:**

No report

## **Webmaster**

Cloud based storage for non profit might be free. Will look into it further.

System shows small balances, Kate confirms it's being taken care of.

Registration changes are coming quick. Picture waiver, end of year gift, pricing, ice time, payment deadline and late policy.

## **House Commissioner Report:**

No empire meeting.

Working on playoffs, can we set aside Sunday February 25<sup>th</sup> and 24th, nine games. Might be a playoff game on Saturday.

U6 jamboree in the works, January 27th

## **Jerseys-**

Jason- Jerseys screen printing issue and reimbursing house families, can be tabled to next month because still waiting for more information? Needed more information. Kate has additional information, cost of jerseys for extras were not part of the \$15 per jersey. Screen printing was done due to date jerseys would have arrived, December, and that it was discussed a couple times that this was what we were doing to avoid them not being on time and to see how they looked.

Chris mentioned on his bantam house team some don't like it the screen print. Adam asked Dave Bartlett if he had heard anything and he said no one has said anything to him.

Jason- makes a motion to vote on jersey reimbursement, John second it.

All those in favor- 1 in favor, 3 opposed, 1 abstained.

Reimbursement was not approved

Jeremy-Lead time for jerseys is 8-10 weeks

Tried to get a hold of Jeff, Jeremy and Jeff need to connect to put a committee. Stacey has been working on a vendor. Kate took done what drop dead dates need to be noted so jerseys get ordered in time.

Dave Bartlett- Has a league considered not including last names?

### **Secretary Report:**

Wanted to thank Rachel for coordinating the Brockport parade.

### **PR Report**

Facebook page in October was discussed to be public, we never had a vote. John- what does that mean, how does this expose the league.

Photo release will be on next registrations.

Chris suggests having managers contact parents asking about players photos being.

Motion by Adam to have facebook page be public, Kate seconds it- 4 voted yes, one abstained. Approved

Rachel- Is there a reason why we go thru Locker room for jerseys?  
Jeremy- went out to bid, board voted to go with them. Recommends there has to be a deadline or it will not get done in time due to lead times for jerseys.

She knows a print shop. Will pass on to Jeff Barlett for the committee.

Bigelow advertising- bigelow facebook page is closed. Deadline for 1<sup>st</sup> payment was December 1<sup>st</sup>, which puts us in a rut.

## **New Business**

Coaches surveys will be going out soon. Adam asked for surveys to be sent to coaches, they have not in the past.

Dave B – Proposed talk with Rich personally to get results.

Kristen- thinks parents should be required to put their name on survey. Kate disagrees.

Mike Porter- Doesn't always have to be positive, some comments are for coaches that.

Rachel can take over surveys for coaches. Survey can be looked at by the board and Rich Esposito.

Is there a coaches committee? Don't really have a common vision from what it sounds like, should that be discussed. Mike Porter  
A coaches committee needs to be approved and proposed to the board.  
Need Rich Esposito here to discuss further this process.  
John- Rich, and 2 commissioners review the applicants.  
Tax exempt is for league property only, team can utilize but must be in league.

### **Open positions:**

#### **Ice scheduler-**

#### **Sponsorship Coordinator--**

#### **Picture coordinator**

**Recruitment Coordinator-** Involved with Try Hockey for Free, help to bring in new families.

### **Old Business:**

- More than one child, can there be a discount?

Kate would like to run some numbers after September with Steve's help and see how that affects the program financially.

She will run several scenarios. Scott - Would like to the board consider this.

- Also- if we have a player considering coming from another organization, can we give one time discount? If they leave year after, they don't get that rebate again. Try to incentivize families that might be on the fence.
- Steve - can T shirts be considered in place of year end trophies. Steve could add to registration the shirt size option. Free advertising, will consider, as this is a great idea.

**Next Meeting:**

Motion to adjourn was made at {8:10 pm}

Next meeting Monday Jan. 15<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm (not 7pm) at Kinetic Cafe.

Respectfully Submitted,

Adam Driscoll

Secretary