



## Meeting Agenda

**September 14, 2020**

**6:30 PM**

*Trovato's Back Yard &  
Join Zoom Meeting  
<https://uml.zoom.us/j/92227219510>*

**Type of Meeting:** Board of Directors Monthly Meeting

**Meeting Facilitator:** Richard Conley

**Attendees:** Tom Ward, Jay Trovato, Tom Jackson, ~~Brian Akashian~~, Brendan Akashian, Craig Brown, Steve Chambers, ~~Lisa Gleason~~, Adam Romagnoli, Elly Smith, Amy Sullivan, ~~Dana Vigeant~~

- I. Acceptance of Meeting Minutes from August. **APPROVED**
- II. Officer Reports
  - a. President (R.Conley)
  - b. Treasurer (J.Trovato)
    - i. Review financials  
Jay reviewed that we are continuing to collect tuition for this season. Payments are bit behind prior years. Overall we have a healthy balance to our accounts and are current on all bills.  
  
Jay is working with accountant on preparing taxes. He needs letter from Brian as part of this process. We filed for an extension.
  - c. Coaching Director (Brian Akashian)
    - i. Coaching Certifications  
While Brian wasn't in attendance, we did discuss the need for him to host a coaches meeting. This is usually done before season, but we also usually have teams picked before the season. There are a number of new coaches this year so informing them of topics like how to get equipment; VHL cancelation/reschedule; Tournament options; hockey rosters/registration; and certification requirements.
- III. Open Business
  - a. Back to Hockey Plan
    - i. Tryout and Team Placement Review  
We completed tryouts this week for Spuirt, Peewee, Bantam, and Mites. All except Mites have been placed and there hasn't been any negative feedback from

families on process or placements. A big thank you to the coaches who were involved with running tryouts or doing evaluations.

ii. Janas Rink Experience

It was good to have the rink open on time. They seem to be making adjustments to the operations and flow of building to account for COVID restrictions. The temperature checking system doesn't appear very functional, but we will defer to Janas on this as it is their building protocol. The game situation seems to be flawed as they need 4 places to assign teams and have only been doing two (locker or bleacher). We will continue to monitor as they likely are watching this too.

iii. Website / Communications

Tom has updated the website with a COVID page where he is posting information we get from Mass Hockey and VHL.

iv. Valley Hockey League( A.Romagnoli)

1. VHL Coach and Player Registration

VHL coach and player registration is going well.

Adam was in touch with VHL over weekend as there was a mix-up with Midget team where they should have had ice for a practice at Lawrence, but when they arrive the rink was closed.

v. Bruins Academy & Learn To Play (E.Smith/Brendan Akashian)

Elly and Brendan have updated the communications we send as confirmations and also updated the website. Bobby Ware is on board to provide us with consistent staffing/coaching for LTP. Brendan will also work with other parents who want to assist on ice. We will all seek to promote LTP via social media and see about getting messages sent to students at schools.

**ACTION (Brian):** Need to order kids small jerseys when we order Development team uniforms.

vi. Greater Lowell Development (C.Brown)

Craig to talk more with Jay about process of getting started. Plan is for this to begin same time as LTP. Depending upon volume that could be with the LTP program or during their own practice time.

vii. Uniforms (A. Sullivan)

Uniforms have been picked up and distributed to players by Amy. This was done over the last week during tryouts. TSR forgot to order the socks, so Brian is ordering locally. Apparel has started to ship from TSR.

b. Golf Tournament / Fundraising (L.Gleason)

i. 50/50 Squares (Brendan Akashian)

67 have been sold so far. There are 3 weeks to go. Team managers / coaches asked to promote amongst their team.

ii. Neck Gaiter (Lisa/Tom)

250 have been ordered. Tom said it is a mix of Youth and Adult sizes. They were \$5.49 each and we are hoping to sell them all for \$15. There are also some mugs and umbrellas and other swag that can be sold.

IV. New Business

a. Registrar/Registration (D.Vigeant/S.Chambers)

Dana is collecting these and will make updates to registration. Steve also available to assist as needed.

b. Photo Plan

Discussed options as there are multiple vendors to consider. Elly & Amy have agreed to investigate and make recommendation to board.

c. Around the Boards

V. Adjournment

VI. Next Meeting: Monday, October 5