

Pawling Youth Hockey

Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 7, 2018 (Monthly Meeting)

I. Call to order

Kurt Twaddell called to order the regular monthly meeting of the Pawling Youth Hockey Executive Board at 7:00pm on November 7, 2018.

II. Roll Call

Kurt Twaddell, Melissa Geiger, Jacquelyn Vaccaro, Amy Twaddell, Julie Fixman, and Travis Gendron (call in.)

III. Open Session

Brian Bischoff, Jane Gowens-Blanford, Tara Bischoff, Heather Ingeman, Cubic, Chris Koehler, Rob O'Neil (Mite A Liaison) and Jessica Waldorf (Squirt B Liaison) were present. The Squirt A parents that attended the meeting came to support the Squirt A coaches because they felt that other parents of players within the team were not treating the coaches appropriately. Some of the incidents that occurred include yelling from across the ice during games and approaching coaches after games. Some parents feel that their child is not receiving very much playing time, even when their team is winning with a very high goal differential.

Squirt B Liaison, Jessica Waldorf brought up a few concerns that Squirt B parents have had. It was discussed that parents do not feel comfortable attending a meeting to voice a complaint about a coach who is also a board member. The behavior of siblings in the warm room was also discussed.

Mite A Liaison, Rob O'Neil asked about the possibility of creating a Learn to Play program designed to ensure children are ready to play before letting them move to Mites. Travis Gendron explained his thoughts of having a 6U Development Division either this season, or starting next season. Rob also asked about the process of Squirt evaluations, and how to go about informing the board of a problem with a coach. It was explained that each team has a Representative and that they should be their first contact.

V. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Kurt Twaddell made the motion to accept the minutes from the October meeting. All were in favor.

IV. Presidential Business

Registrar Report:

Current registration numbers to date:

- * Learn to Skate 10
- * Mites 24
- * Squirts 31
- * Pee-Wee 13
- * Bantam 11
- * U16/19 13
- * Registered Coaches 28

Scheduler Report:

- * December practice schedules will be going up today or tomorrow.
- * Thanksgiving week there will only be one practice for Mites and BA, PW and U19 will be on one sheet.
- * Discussed at great length, that no pucks or sticks are permitted in the TP warm room.

Treasurer Report:

N/A

Coaching Coordinator Report:

- * Learn to Skate is underway and it was suggested to implement the Learn to Play Hockey and Skills Development for new players of all levels with no extra registration charge.
- * Team Liaisons need to be assigned. Mite A, Mite B and Squirt B are the only teams who have selected theirs.
- * There have been multiple complaints from Squirt A families about playing time and division amongst players.
- * Nick Paine has been compensated for his goalie coaching services for the first three clinics.

CHC Report:

PYH missed the last meeting.

Safesport:

Locker room monitors are mandatory for each team. Safesport and background checks are required.

Fundraising:

- * All Spiritwear orders are in. Jacquelyn Vaccaro is currently working on everything.
- * Elaine Wilson is continuing to oversee the Snack Shack.
- * Team photos will take place Monday night and all ordering will be done online through Jane's website.

VI. Old Business

N/A

VII. New Business

Travis Gendron proposed starting up a U6 program. The program would be based on heavy skill development. Practices would follow the same schedule as Mites and they would play 2-3 games per month with other Learn to Play/U6 and In-House teams. Games would be 3v3 Cross-Ice, using U6 Mini-Nets and no goalie. Cross-Ice games can potentially be played in a zone during Learn to Skate. Suggested fee of \$400 per player.

VIII. Meeting Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 9:50pm.