

Demons Youth Hockey Association July 14, 2010 – Board Meeting Minutes Holliston Fire Department, Holliston, MA

Executive Board of Directors ("BOD") Members in Attendance:

Jack Bloomer	President	Present
David Allen	First VP	Present
Debbie Amorelli	Second VP	Present
Harry Keates	Program Director	Present
Carolyn Kirk	Registrar	Present
Stu Montgomery	Coaching Coordinator	Present
Kevin Schlicke	Treasurer	Present
Mike Murphy	Secretary	Absent
Lynn McClusky	Rink Coordinator	Present
Joanne Boccelli	Development Director	Absent
Vacant	Publicity Director	--

8 present – quorum

Open Meeting Items

Board Meeting called to order at 7:10 pm

1. May meeting minutes were not reviewed and approved, as Mr. Murphy was on vacation.
2. Items from the Floor
 - a. Mr. Allen brought up the issue that we do not seem to have all our gear back from the Team Managers and into the shed. Specifically targeted emails to be sent out by Dave to the right people.
 - b. Mr. Gould made a proposal that it would be great to give teams 1:20 minute ice time on Saturdays; skate fewer teams with more time per team. Would only work in the 3 hour slot we have at Navin. This was not approved, as there are some complications. Coaches that have games on Sunday but no practice on Saturday could suffer, would require extra coordination also. In addition, we have 11 teams and only 4 sheets of ice each Saturday (8 teams can skate), plus we have 4 half sheets on Thursdays. Mr. Montgomery felt strongly that the membership should have a voice in such a move. Mr. Gould presented

that it would give coaches more ice times and would give families an occasional break that they might appreciate. It was decided that we would discuss at the coaches meeting. We also noted in this discussion that coaches can always tell the Zamboni driver not to make ice, if the ice is in good shape, that will give them a little extra time.

Mr. Murphy to look for place to have Coaches meeting last Wednesday in August or first week in September. Westboro has a room we may be able to use.

3. Mr. Keates came with a proposal for Open team goalies. Since we have few full time goalies on Open teams, we will rely on a rotation. Harry recommended that we roster all goalies in the NESC league and do not charge them to participate unless they are the full time goalie for the team. Decision was that if you want to be "THE" goalie for the team, you pay to play. Mr. Keates to give Steve Redding a heads up, will need to declare them all goalies, and will have to inquire about whether the 10 game rule applies (must play 10 season games with the team to participate in the playoffs). Noted that we 15 paying players per Open team to break even.

We discussed the prospects for Open Teams. Mite Open will not happen this year, Squirt A will be run by Mr. Delaney and is all set. Squirt B will be open to Mite 1's as well, thus far it is under filled. The Peewee Open team will be run by Mr. Bloomer, and is all set. The Bantam Open team will be run by Mr. Pomeroy, and he is currently recruiting and thus far does not have enough skaters. The Board voted that the Open team rules would be the same as last year; first and foremost the Open teams are for the Demons players, and if the open team cannot be filled, the roster can be opened to players who do not skate with the Demons. Based on this, approval was given for Mr. Pomeroy to reach out to Mr. Palmatier, Mr. Harrison, and Mr. Moriarty. It was thought that Mr. Palmatier could enroll Demons skaters through his influence, so it was recommended that he be contacted first and given time to enroll others. It was also re-iterated that the most players allowed on a team is 18.

4. The numbers of players per level were reviewed.
The Mite 1 team has 14.
The Mite 2 team has 17, including Ryan McCallister (fall placement).
(31 Mites)

The Squirt 1 team has 13.
The Squirt 2 team has 14.
The Squirt 3 team has 13.
One fall placement is expected.
(40+1 Squirts)

The Peewee 1 team has 14.
The Peewee 2 team has 15.

The Peewee 3 team has 14.
Three fall placements are expected.
(43+3 Peewees)

The Bantam 1 team has 13.
The Bantam 2 team has 14.
The Bantam 3 team has 15.
Three fall placements are expected.
(42+3 Bantams)

Expected total enrollment is about 163.

After some discussion about whether some kids were to be moved up based on attrition (post try-out), the Board voted that no Demons will be moved until Fall Placement time, at which point the rosters of teams will be considered in the full context of knowing all skaters and fall placements. We will have Fall Placement kids skate with lower teams so we can see them, starting 8/26.

5. President Bloomer presented the work of the sub-team on Board Roles. The presentation should be attached to these minutes. After review, the Board members were given the action to review the specific words around their roles and give corrections or proposed changes to President Bloomer. The Board also agreed that there is great need to have Associate Board members, who can learn the roles and presumably be ready to step into a Board position as various members retire over time. The Board agreed to have quarterly meetings that include the Associate Board members. Associate Board members will not have a vote, but like all Board attendees they are welcome to engage in discussions (non-Executive session). President Bloomer will discuss the Associate positions in the upcoming "Start of Season" email he will send out.
6. President Bloomer asked that all Board members do more preparation before bringing any topics to the Board; i.e. if you have a presentation to make, make the content and choices clear in PowerPoint and send it prior to the meeting. Board members must read it, and by doing this we can be more crisp and succinct.
7. The Board will also review Project Hat Trick assignments, given the new Board Roles proposed. Mr. Allen was asked to find and send the online version of the document (done).

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Meeting Adjourned at 10:30pm

