

Demons Youth Hockey Association December 1, 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	Absent
Carolyn Kirk	Registrar	Present
Stu Montgomery	Coaching Coordinator	Present
Kevin Schlicke	Treasurer	Absent
Mike Murphy	Secretary	Present
Lynn McClusky	Rink Coordinator	Present
Joanne Boccelli	Development Director	Present
Vacant	Publicity Director	--

8 present – quorum

Open Meeting Items

Board Meeting called to order at 7:10 pm

1. November meeting minutes were reviewed and approved, pending minor edits.
2. Items from the Floor
None.
3. Board action items were reviewed and updated.
 - a. Financial & Refund Policy – Treasurer to review and update the financial and refund policies, as required. Any updates will be included in the revised Policies and Procedures document.
 - b. Release Process – Treasurer to formally document the release process for those leaving the program.
4. Board Member Reports
 - a. Board member reports were discussed. The following items were reviewed:
 - i. 2nd Vice President Report:
 - a. Debbie Amorelli discussed the status of yearbook solicitations. Some members have provided feedback that the solicitors are coming on too strong. Debbie to discuss with the company.

- b. The question was raised as to the status of the Demons night at a BC hockey game. Since the game is targeted for February, an announcement will not be made until after January 1, 2011.

5. Practice Ice Survey

- a. The board was supposed to review the survey results provided to parents to gauge their interest in having fewer, but longer, practice sessions. It appears the survey was not distributed. Jack to contact Dan Gould and get the status.

6. District 8 Cross Ice Program

- a. Based on discussions at the district meetings, it appears that Mass Hockey may back off of the cross ice requirements at the mosquito and mite levels. They are concerned that northern Mass towns may jump to New Hampshire programs, and NEH-type leagues will expand and pull in the town programs.
- b. Natick is still open to working with the Demons on a cross ice program for mosquitos.
- c. Jack mentioned that Ed Ronan (ex-NHL, BU player) runs the XHL cross ice league and is receptive to talking to our Board / coaches / parents about the cross ice philosophy. Jack's experience is that the XHL summer program at Franklin last year was received very favorably by the kids. Jack to arrange an informational session with Ed Ronan and our membership.
- d. Harry Keates was assigned an action to review options for summer programs (both full and 1/2 ice) which the Board could vote to endorse.

7. Conflict of Interest Program

- a. The Board reviewed and unanimously approved the proposed conflict of interest program (8 for, 0 against).

8. Demons Free Skate

- a. NESK had an hour of ice time available which we could put between LTS and LTH. Scheduled for January 2, 2011 on Rink 6.
 - i. LTS: 11:50-12:40pm
 - ii. Free Skate: 12:50 – 1:50pm
 - iii. LTH: 2-2:50pm
- b. Debbie Amorelli to advertise the event on the website and local papers. We're targeting friends of the LTS and LTH children, aged 4-10 years old. We will offer free pizza after the skate, and a raffle prize selected from the registration information.
- c. Carolyn Kirk to submit a special event form to cover this event.

9. Coaches Appreciation Game

- a. Coaches' game scheduled for January 13, 2011 from 7:30-9:30pm at Navin arena.
- b. Stu to email coaches, and coordinate refs.

10. Northstar Rink "C" Survey

- a. Northstar has asked for feedback from the Demons on the proposed third rink.
 - i. Comments provided by the Board

1. Spring League: Board voted unanimously that we are not interested (0 for, 8 against)
2. 30 game schedule over 26 weeks: Board voted unanimously that we are not interested (0 for, 8 against)
3. 25 game schedule over 26 weeks: Board voted “maybe”, and would be dependent on the tuition increase. Board recommended an ideal season of 22 games.
4. Other input provided:
 - a. Would there be additional practice ice available?
 - b. Would this be seasonal (i.e. closed in summer)?

11. Skills Sessions

- a. The Demons has three 90 minute sessions remaining on their contract with Pro Ambitions. The board voted unanimously to use them for the Mite, Squirt and Pee wee levels (8 for, 0 against).
- b. Harry to review the feedback on the program, and make a recommendation about continuing.

12. Project Hat Trick

- a. The project hat trick document has not been updated in several years, and requires an update. Mike Murphy to send the document out to the board and each board member to update and revise their section.

13. Tryout Subcommittee

- a. A meeting is being planned, but has not yet happened yet due to conflicts. Mike to get a meeting room for ~12 people on Wednesday, Dec 8.
- b. The subcommittee will be looking at recommendations to make to the board for future tryouts. This includes both philosophical and specifics for the tryout document.
- c. Debbie was asked to add a “Coaches Feedback” link to the new website, similar to the one from the old site.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Meeting Adjourned at 9:50pm