

RALEIGH YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 7, 2007

Attendees: John Biedermann
Andy Trione
John Lenzmeier
David Wright
Steve Allen
Danny Hurley
Jerry Magin
Deborah Beeler
MJ May

Absent: Steve Henley
Mike Verbic
Bill MacClurg

Minutes:

- Minutes are approved as written. Motion was made to get the minutes out to Board Members for review within two days of the meeting. Motion was seconded and unopposed.

Website:

- Online registration – what is the process like (i.e., shopping cart, etc.) The Finance Committee will work on how this is to be set up for programs, payments. They are to report back, we would like this done by the February meeting.

Travel:

- A meeting was held with the coaches of the independent and travel teams, and the Guidance Committee of the foundation.

Two offerings were presented as the meetings for discussion:

First Option- field one Tier 1- top 17 players at each age group Squirt- Midget 16U and one Tier 2 team- next 17 players at each age group Squirt- Midget 18U- playing a Tournament based schedule, supplemented w/ independent games

Second Option- Field Birth Year Teams- 9U-16U- Major teams as Tier 1 and Minor teams as Tier 2- playing a Tournament based schedule, supplemented w/ independent games and numbers permitting, field a mixed age group that would play in the Tier 2 CHL

- The recommendations of the committees and RYHA Coaching staff was Option #2

- Hurricanes backing of the Tier 1 program at this time would consist in the use of the name, logo, jerseys. Would like the travel select to be streamlined and uniform competing at a REC B Level. Need to make the travel select distinctly different from the Tier 1 and Tier 2 programs.
- Aging up policy: players could age up if they ranked in the top ½ of players trying out

A motion was made to Field Birth Year Teams- 9U-16U- Major teams as Tier 1 and Minor teams as Tier 2- playing a Tournament based schedule, supplemented w/ independent games and numbers permitting, field a mixed age group that would play in the Tier 2 CHL- we reserve the right to not field a team at any Tier 2 level at our discretion if the quantity or quality of players is not available. The motion was seconded. No Opposed

- Player selection for the Travel Select program needs to be defined as soon as possible- grandfather players onto teams or implement a player evaluation/ selection process similar to that used in House Program to balance the teams
- Director of Travel and the President are going to talk to Paul Strand on behalf of the Hurricanes, regarding the grandfathering of players. Hurricanes are against this. It will be presented to see if there is any leeway on their part as to the selection of the travel select teams.

A motion was made that the Pee wee, Bantam, Midget 16U Travel Select will be a non-district bound team playing in the CHL REC B Division, with a uniform program in structure and costs. Midget 18U will register REC B, non-district bound and compete at the CHL B level if available or may petition to play in the Tier 2 Level of the CHL if the B level is not available. The motion was seconded. No Opposed

Costs:

- A subcommittee consisting of the President, Director of Travel and Director of Finance was organized to work on the costs of the programs for the next season. They will meet and report back to the Board.

Next meeting is scheduled for January 14, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. at Marriot Court Yard, Wake Forest Road.