

Raleigh Youth Board Meeting
Board Meeting Minutes May 13, 2008

Attendees: John Lenzmeier
David Wright
Mark Monroe
Rob Readmond - absent
Todd Phinney
Andy Trione
Andrew Thomas
Craig Sullivan

Staff: Brenda Struder - absent
Dayle Lynt

Visitor: Bill Smith

I. *Opening of Meeting:*

- John Lenzmeier called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Role call was taken to confirm appropriate quorum.

II. *Visitors* – Bill Smith joined the open session to address his concern that tryouts for 16U Girls be an open tryout for other ages in order for the team to be competitive. John Lenzmeier indicated that this subject was on this evening's agenda. The Board needed to come to a determination to balance needs and wants of members while ensuring the teams are structured competitively within regulations.

III. *Review and approve Minutes:*

- Via email April Minutes have been approved by Andy Trione & Todd Phinney and will be posted. .

IV. *Review interim actions:*

- No

V. *Introduced new Board members*

- . Craig Sullivan – replacing Steve Henley as Director of House
- . Andrew Thomas – replacing Rob Readmond as Director of Fundraising

VI. *Director of Finance:*

- a. Financial Reports
 - i. Reviewed Actuals
 - ii. Reported Cash Position, Income Statement, Future Cash Projections

- iii. Work item – Authorize.net, need for the current Board to have signature authority.

VI. *Director of House:*

Steve Henley:

- Fall budget complete, financials posted, Canes Cup up and running.
- Spring Season running smoothly.
- High School – enough outside interest is in a skills based, non-contact team for consideration. Primary goal of the league is to keep these kids still playing and understand the broader voice of the community. Action item is to poll the current High School players-the broader voice of the community, target email through the website.

Craig Sullivan -

- Positive Coaching Organization – question is does RYHA want to partner with the organization. John Lenzmeier recommendation is to bring to Executive Director (when position is filled) and Colin Muldoon. Will need funding not in the current budget (CAHA).
- Would like to establish surveys to create baselines to identify what the top concerns / issues are. Volunteer survey to get/identify volunteers
- Host a Parents meeting to educate what to expect from the program and what RYHA expects from them.
- Mandatory coaches meeting
- Diversity program to obtain a grant. Craig will work with Andy Trione to identify.
- Mentoring program, get boys and girls involved so they can be a role model for the younger level hockey players. David Wright would like to work with Craig Sullivan.
- Stop patches on all the jerseys, looking to making it mandatory. Consideration to see if achievable for this fall season.
- FAQ listed on the website

VII. *Director of Travel:*

- Uniform bids presented, three companies, Storm Jersey – David Wright will email for consideration of savings is supplemental patch vs. original patch.
- New agreement with NHL takes us through 2010, delivery.
- The board gave David direction to explore the quality of the AK jersey compared to SP. Motion made by Todd Phinney, second by Steve Henley, approved unanimously.
- Travel tryouts – Storm only tryouts, 42 registered, need 340 to break even on ice. Jr. Hurricanes tryouts, 244 registered, need 367 to break even. John Lenzmeier to have Brenda send out a new email blast reminding membership of deadline

VIII. Director of Girls:

- Discussion on Girls play up policy. The following was adopted.
 - “Players may play up 1 age level provided that they place in the top 12 skaters in the tryout/evaluation process. In the event that registration at an age level is less than planned roster size, the evaluation committee may, at its discretion, allow additional players to age up 1 level to fill open roster positions.”

Motion made by Mark Monroe, second by David Wright, approved unanimously.

IX. Director of Fundraising: - no update

X. Director of Communications / Website:

- Todd is working on making QuickBooks and Authorize work better together. He’s resolved most issues and still has 1 outstanding. If he can’t resolve it, he may file a request for service from Intuit.
- All committee heads are to give their membership list to Todd for posting on the website
- Todd will create a new email account for the Executive Director. He asked that Directors clean up their email accounts to ensure we have enough space. He asked that Andrew Thomas relay that information to Rob Readmond when they meet this week.
- Todd is working with Duke Hospital on getting first aid training for coaches, managers and parents. If he can’t arrange anything with Duke, he will try UNC/Rex.

XI. President:

- There are 6 applications for Executive Director. John will initiate phone interviews with all candidates and bring back the top 2 or 3 for face to face interviews with Todd and Mark.
- John met with Colin Muldoon to review the Director, Coaching job description. Colin is fine with the job description and Todd will post to the web.

Meeting adjourned 12:15 am

Respectfully submitted:

Dayle Lynt & Andy Trione for
Brenda J. Struder, RYHA Administrator