

Raleigh Youth Board Meeting
Board Meeting Minutes February 2, 2009

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

Staff: Brenda Struder
Dayle Lynt
Steve Henley

Visitor: Kelly – Sports Fan 99.9

I. Opening of Meeting:

- John Lenzmeier called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. Role call was taken to confirm appropriate quorum.

II. Visitors:

- Andrew Thomas and Todd Phinney had Kelly from 99.9 come in to meet with the board to discuss a possible partnership with RYHA and 99.9 to help with communication / fundraising within our membership. Kelly provided a brief overview on options available. It was determined at this point to table any further discussions until RYHA determined what directions it would take with fundraising for the 2009-2010 season.

III. Review and approve Minutes:

- January meeting minutes mailed to Board Members for email vote.
November minutes approved via email vote and posted to website.

IV. Review interim actions:

- The RYHA Annual Meeting is scheduled for **Sunday, April 19th, 2009 from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.** at the Hope Community Church, 821 Buck Jones Road, Raleigh, NC 27606

VI. Director of Finance:

- a. Financial Reports
 - i. Reviewed Actuals
 - ii. Reported Cash Position, Income Statement, Future Cash Projections
 - iii. Working session - Budget versus Actual

VI. Director of House:

- Nothing to report – Craig Sullivan Absent

VII. Executive Director:

- Helmet Cam –not approved USA Hockey equipment
- Advertising For Camps / Coaches – current Coaches advertise free of charge
- [\$100] Fee to Post for Non Coach Posting
- Spring Schedule almost complete
 - Adding 2nd Skills Clinic in Cary for Spring
- Medals completed for Fall – medals on the Ice for Canes Cup
 - ‘Specialty Awards for House / Travel – Budget Covered by Carolina Hurricanes’ – Crown Trophy
 - Graduating Sr. Specialty Plaques – check with Paul
- Request for Crisis Funds Dollars to be available for Spring Program

VIII. Director of Travel:

- RHC Board gained CAHA approved and have voted to try and field a **U18AAA** team for next season. Core of current U16AAA aging up and would like to stay if they have a decent alternative to East Coast Eagles
- USA Hockey discussion on the American Development Debut Team, High Performance Teams.
 - Will be some benefits, more ice time per week, smaller team sizes for younger teams (Mite – 10), (Squirt – 14), (PeeWee – 16)
 - Emphasis the player development
 - Lower level, mixed birth team with talent spread
- David requested that the RYHA vote to support a joint application for RYHA and RHC High Performance Club. 2nd by Steve Henley, all approved.
 - You’ll see High Level Coach requirements even at the lower Levels.
 - Smaller Teams
 - More Ice
 - 2 or 3 Off Ice Sessions – More Ice
- Working on AA Program Cost \$\$
 - Reduced Cost for Program Wind Suits – possible lesser Grade
 - New Bag Vendor
 - 2nd Year Jersey
 - Protect Storm Concept and Brand
 - Jr. Mites A/AA
 - Squirt AA, AA2, Storm A/AA
 - PeeWee AAA, AA1, Storm A1, Storm A2 (17 Man Roster)
 - Bantam AAA, AA1, A/AA, Storm A1, Storm A2 (17 Man Roster)

- Midget AAA, Midget AA1, Storm A1, Storm A2 (20 Man roster)
- Midget 18UAAA, A/AA,

VIII. Director of Girls:

- Nothing to Report – Mark Monroe Absent

IX. Director of Fundraising:

- Skate-A-Thon, March 8th, 2009
 - One Page Bullet Communication – Email Blast
- Saint Baldricks
- Gentle Wash Car Wash

X. Director of Communications / Website:

- Need to have a line item for next year’s budget
- QuickBooks Path – can’t do online
- Need to look into Server for QuickBooks
- Need to clean up Website, getting complaints from membership that it’s difficult to find things on the current website.

XI. President:

- Continue working budget versus Actual. Need to reconcile will communicate with Board via email.
- Discussed On Line Voting for Annual Membership.
- Email Blast to Girls within Membership to notify of U16 and U12 Girls Programs for Spring Hockey

Respectfully submitted:

Brenda J. Struder, RYHA Administrator