

Raleigh Youth Board Meeting
Board Meeting Minutes July 12, 2009

Attendees: David Wright
Doug Sans
Glen Peters Absent
Andrew Thomas
Todd Phinney
Andy Trione - Absent
Craig Sullivan

Staff: Brenda Struder
Steve Henley -Absent
Dayle Lynt

Visitor: None

I. **Opening of Meeting:**

- David Wright called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. Role call was taken to confirm appropriate quorum. Quorum was established

II. **Visitors:**

- None.

III. **Review and approve Minutes:**

- May Annual Meeting minutes mailed to the Board Members for email vote.

IV. **Review interim actions:**

- RHC has monies not used from last season that could be transferred to RYHA. Approval is needed from the folks that donated the funds to transfer those remaining funds to the RYHA organization. Andrew Thomas to follow up and obtain formal approvals.

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

- After a review of current cash funds a motion was made to pay off the RYHA LOC by 50% by 8/15/09 and remainder by 9/15/09. Motion was made by Craig Sullivan, second by Andrew Thomas. Motion carried.
- After formal discussions a motion was made to process a monthly salary for Colin Muldoon based on his seasonal Player Development and Coaches stipend. The motion of made by Craig Sullivan, second by Doug Sans. Motion carried.

- Director of Finance, Andy Trione has given formal resignation effective 7/15/09. Options, per the By Law would be to appoint someone to serve out the remaining term, have an on-line vote, or not fill and leave position open until April 2010 election.
- A motion was made to for the Board of Directors to look for a Director of Finance for one month, if at the next meeting no action has been made to appoint a new Director of Finance; RYHA will notify the membership of a vote. Todd Phinney made the motion, Craig Sullivan second the motion. The motion carried.
- The Director of Finance has made recommendation to approach Jenny Kosnik, as a possible 2nd Bookkeeper to work with Dayle Lynt. Second Bookkeeper would take on Data Entry, Accounts Receivable. Todd Phinney made a motion to start discussion, motion was 2nd by Craig. Motion carried, David Wright to make contact with Jenny Kosnik.
- We continue to have a credit for Harrison Machikas on the books. Brenda is to see when credit will be used, if not offer to refund minus administrative fee so that it's no longer carried on the books going forward.
- Need to process credit (\$25) for U18 A/AA tryouts. Players only used to ice sessions versus the three originally planned.
- Todd Phinney made a motion to move forward and request that MJ May be removed from backing of Authorized net by October 10th. Craig Sullivan seconded the motion, motion carried. Todd Phinney was to work to accomplish this action.

VI. Director of House:

- Currently working with Fivehole on Fall Season Jersey order.
- Program details are posted, registration items open and we are being to see a study Fall House Registration.
- Currently working on setting up the Fall House Coaches Meeting and continuing to recruit fall coaches.
- Working on setting up Fall House evaluation process and committee/evaluators.
- Craig Sullivan continues to serve as the Boys and Girls Club, representative with Capital City. Hurricane Players continue to help with this program.

VII. Executive Director:

- Currently working on posting the practice and game schedule from Max to the website
- -Currently running summer camps with Steve Sabo
- -Helping Brenda with revamping the website
- -Finished with ordering jerseys for fall house league
- -Working with outside orgs (Eagles, Trailblazers, Triangle Special Hockey, etc.) to fulfill fall ice commitments
- -Working with Hillsborough and Fayetteville to include house teams in our fall house program

- -Finalizing details with Carolina Lightning to provide ice for fall
- Send reminder notes to membership on available August camps, checking clinics.

VIII. Director of Travel:

- Currently working on putting together all head and assistant coach information. This is currently being done by the collection of assistant coach applications that have been submitted and requesting additional head coach applications from RYHA personnel.
- Will be receiving a list of those whose bags are to be replaced with the replacement bags hoping to be sent to us and will need access to the data base to pull contact info for these folks to organize and distribute the bags if and when they arrive.
- Will be working with Todd with new ideas for our website and the tryout and league registration process and the way we can get that to work for us to gather the information needed from all tryout attendees and all selected players.
- Have taken some initiative to make contact to some of those I know in the Raleigh area who are well-to-do and that might be interested/willing to make a donation and if things go in our favor, I will be pointing these people to our Andy Thomas.
- Have been making contacts with vendors that we may we be able to use for upcoming seasons for our jersey, socks, bags, warm-ups, etc. and have been gathering their info and such for later use.
- Schedule Supplemental tryouts in August for U16A and U18A/AA, need 4 U18A/AA and 6-8 U16A players.

VIII. Director of Girls:

- U16 Team - currently have 14 skaters and two goalies.....may be adding a skater from Richmond (will know Thursday)
- U19 Team - currently have 12 skaters and a goalie...may be adding Kyra MacDonald and Maddie MacClurg
- Initial warm-up & bag order was placed with Five Hole on 7/8/08
- U12 House - will focus when I get back...already have parents interested in coaching & managing the team
- Canes Fest - will have a "girls" table set up
- RYHA Fundraiser - will have a "girls" table set up
- Friesen 5k Run - will get as many girls as possible to run & will have a "girls" table set up
- Now that the older girls are on their way, when I return I will set up a Girls committee (a few parents have already agreed to participate) to work on growing girls participation in the RHYA house...hoping to create a feeder system (albeit smaller) like the boys one

IX. Director of Fundraising:

- Carnival party (August 29th)
 - Venue: Confirmed the Pouch and the Basement
 - Food: Vincents
 - Drinks Red Bull, Miller (beer) Pepsi (donating truck-we will have to purchase mixes approx \$150)
 - Sunset Slush: The Koozies are a great way to push the sale of the ice for the events. They come in boxes of 110 and we can personalize them with your logo on one side and ours on the other. Folks who purchase a Kooize can refill them at any of our events (except the RBC center) and our store for \$1 a scoop. We typically sell the Kooizes for \$6.50 at our store and it comes with 4 scoops. For events we sell them for \$6.00 and the scoops are slightly smaller. Plus we pick up the sales tax for the outside events as well to make all of the prices even numbers. Small/ 2 scoops \$2.00, Medium/3 scoops \$3.00 & the Large (Koozie) w/ 4 scoops/\$6.00.
 - Desert: Goodberrys
 - Inflatable's: Hurricanes will provide (confirmed)
 - Mascots: Stormy (confirmed), Woolly Bull (confirmed), Storm Squad, Miller lite girls.
 - Dunk Tank (Donna to coordinate), Todd Phinney to send a request for Hurricane Players / Hurricane Staff (Paul Strand), Colin Muldoon to do shifts at the Dunking Tank.
 - Band: Looking at Crush (awaiting cost) or DJ
 - License: Question on if RYHA will take out liability. Liability would come under the Venue - The Pouch will have liability
 - Applied to close part of Glenwood for additional visibility and space (Council said no) - Said we could use Side Street. Will have full access of parking lot and facility.

Vendors: We will have vendors display for a \$50 fee (e.g. Hockey stores etc)

Discussed Baskets: Requesting that each team manager coordinate a themed basket for raffle (travel). RYHA is a 501 C3 so tax deductible for store. Themes examples could include (Movies) Block buster cards, DVDs popcorn, Sports (equipment various), camping etc. (Think of PTA baskets that are donated to schools). Brenda will send out Team Manager memo with all items going directly to Andrew Thomas.

Advertisement: Trying to advertise event on air through 99.9 the fan. Waiting for a cost analysis for the ad. Need to run an advert in paper.

Steve Henley will be coordinating through News and Observer and the Hockey magazine.

- Discussed partnering with a dentist to have fitted mouth guards. Have dentist apply to sponsor a team with having an opportunity to service RYHA for fitted mouth guards. (have requested in play). Still in development
- Working with TSS on new photography contract
- Discussed a yearbook with selling ads (working with EJ and photographer)
- Restaurant partnering:
- Spoke with Ale house about another event, last event netted +4K
- Buffalo wings want to sell a coupon book.
- September/October 99 the Fan ESPN will be running NHL 2010 playoffs in conjunction with RYHA. Keli will bring Mike to BOD meeting
- Completed Duke Skateathon cheque presentation with Steve. Todd press release.
- Sports council renewal due.
- Car wash proposal
- Meeting needs to be set up with RBC.

X. Director of Communications / Website:

- Camp, Clinic – Todd will email to the Board for review.
- Continue to update Website, streamline and organize content
- Continue to working Showcase / Trophy Book for past seasons

XI. President:

- Continue discussions regarding a House Program transfer to the Polar Ice Group in Spring 2010. Discussion about Ice obligation, affordability. The reality is that RYHA can't afford to continue to go in the hole each year.
- Discussions to proceed with either NC Logowear or FiveHole for merchandising. Apparel, NC Logowear. NC Logowear has a web store that we can link our merchandise to. NC Logowear will deal with all the order processing, streamline. Brenda will meet with Mike over the next couple of weeks, move to streamline process back into RYHA from Paige Todd and have on line and ready to begin taking orders by mid-August.
- RYHA is waiting on final contract between RYHA and the Carolina Lightening organization. RYHA has agreed to sell Ice to Carolina Lightning. Monday from 8:15 – 9:15 in Wake Forest, 5:15 – 6:15 in Cary and Friday 6:30 – 7:30 in Garner and 8:00 – 9:00 every other in Wake Forest and booking games for CHL. \$1000 administrative, ice dollars and CHL schedule.
- Continued discussions options for any remaining ice, Learn to Play, Diversity Programs.

A motion was made by Andrew Thomas at 10:04 p.m. to dismiss the Board meeting. Motion was seconded by Doug Sans, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Brenda J. Struder, RYHA Administrator