

**Raleigh Youth Board Meeting**  
**Board Meeting Minutes February 8, 2015**

**Attendees:** David Wright                      Steve Stephenson  
Steve Henley                                  Dan Hollis  
Shane Willis                                    Jean Rogers  
Jenny Kosnik                                  Jesse Boulerice  
Lori Parro                                      Andy Haldane  
Andy Thomas                                  Mike Young  
Rich Shulmistra

I. **Meeting Called to Order:** David Wright at 6:00 p.m. Roll call was taken to confirm appropriate quorum. Quorum was established.

II. **Executive Director: Steve Henley reported on season end**

- a. Bantam AAA Major and 16U AAA have both qualified for Districts at the end of February
- b. Bantam AA, 16U AA and 18U AA will attend Districts to qualify for Nationals
- c. Bantam A and 2 Squirt A teams will be attending the CHL Tournament
- d. We have success at tournaments this season, with at least 5 tournament championships
- e. Squirts have been very strong this season. Squirt AA and Bantam AA won their league CHL divisions

III. **Finance: Lori Parro and Jenny Kosnik reported on financial update**

- a. Fiscal Year
  - i. Through the end of January our income is down 3% and expenses are down 5%
  - ii. We have lower overall ice costs due to fewer teams. We are monitoring our ice costs, pricing is in line
  - iii. We have 250 spring/summer ice hours from March through the end of August. This will be used for tryouts and camps/clinics.
  - iv. We will not need to use the line of credit this year
  - v. On track to meet or exceed budget

**IV. President: David Wright discussed Tier I Status**

- a. Challenged CAHA Board regarding Team Carolina
  - i. RYHA is challenging the ability for TC to hold tryouts and practices in the Raleigh area
  - ii. CAHA is now asking both organizations for an in depth renewal package to determine the feasibility of two programs and what they may look like
  - iii. Most of the discussion evolves around the success of a “Development” program vs a “Recruitment/Weekend” model
- b. Shane commented that the Carolina Hurricanes approached CAHA to make it clear that they would fight any attempt to remove Tier I status from the Junior Hurricanes
- c. CAHA has scheduled a meeting for Thurs for both RYHA and TC to present their programs to CAHA. CAHA will then review the info packages sent by each org, and then hold a second meeting individually. A final decision on Tier I approval should be made by the end of Feb.

**V. President: David Wright discussed 2015-16 Program**

- a. Possibly adding a second 16U AAA team
- b. Have to announce Coaches
- c. Squirt A teams will have development and higher price
- d. PeeWee A – possible two teams with development
- e. We will have 3 Girls Teams – 10U, 12U and 14U
- f. Discussed pricing for next season verses this season
- g. Discussed next seasons budget summary
- h. Discussed Coaches/Asst Coach/Managers reimbursements for fees they pay. We will provide jackets and possibly bags.

**VI. Executive Director: Steve Henley and Andy Thomas discussed Fundraising**

- a. Possible physical and concussion testing for players for a small fee
- b. We would like more sponsorships, what would we charge
- c. Possible sponsorship fee with hotel partners
- d. Apparel sales with Five Hole are good/partnership agreement for our products in store
- e. Discussed a camp for players from all over with Canes Alumni players
- f. Discussed a street hockey tournament

**VII. 2015-16 Budget Approval:**

- Motion was made by Mike Young to approve 2015-16 Budget. Andy Thomas seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimous.

**VIII. President: David Wright addressed Parent Control**

- a. Directors raised a parent issue on one of our AAA teams. Parent control needs to be addressed.

- b. Potential disciplinary action discussed
  - i. Discussion regarding a parent's lack of control and actions at a recent game. Parent has been given a warning in the prior season.
  - ii. Discussed fact that despite warnings/discussions with this individual that the behavior persists. Some requested action by the board.
  - iii. After discussion with Coach, it was decided that the head coach will provide an additional/final warning to parent. This discussion should be documented and sent to the board.

**IX. President: David Wright addressed Elections and New Officers**

- a. Officers in our Bylaws are President, Vice President of Finance and Secretary
  - i. Do we keep Vice President of Fundraising – it was decided to address this at a future board meeting.
  - ii. Discussed possibility of appointing a Director of Marketing – focus would be on sponsorships and advertising revenue. Board would consider possibly offering commission as had been done with another contractor two seasons ago. This proved to be fairly successful in generating sponsorship dollars.

**Elect New President**

- David asked for interest in office of President. Dan Hollis expressed his interest. Motion was made by Mike Young to elect Dan Hollis as our new President. Lori Parro seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimous.
- b. New Junior Hurricanes Board of Directors
    - i. President – Dan Hollis
    - ii. Vice President of Finance – Lori Parro
    - iii. Secretary – Andy Haldane

A motion was made by Mike Young at 8:30 p.m. to dismiss the Board Meeting. Motion was seconded by Lori Parro, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Jean Rogers,  
Administrator, Junior Hurricane