



CGHL MEETING MINUTES

Board of Directors Meeting
Milford Ice Pavilion
Milford, CT

03-APR-2017

Kevin called the regular Unit Board of Directors meeting to order at 7:02 PM at the Milford Ice Pavilion, Milford, CT. Those in attendance and constituting a quorum were:

Present:

Pawling (Steve Maynard), Southern Stars (Amy Howland), Northern Lights (Joann Duval) , Greenwich Skate Club (Brent Brower), Ridgefield (Kathy Ludwig), Stamford Sharks (Randy Samuelson), Central Marc Labrie), Hartford Wolves (Bob Alexander), Greenwich Panthers (Katy Grey), Shoreline Sharks (Bill Grei m), Mamaroneck Tigers (Dean DeLitta) Hamden/VP CGHL (Carl Sargolini), President(Kevin Sandar), Secretary (Lou Cassella)

Absent:

Darien Ice Cats, Western Mass Blizzard, Brewster Lady Bulldogs, Yale (Lisa Shemesh), Hartford Wolf Pack (Kevin Kline), Treasurer (Gary La Chance)

Others Present: None

Meeting Minutes:

MOTION by Carl (VP): Move to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2017, meeting with correction "N. Lights Absent Feb 13, 2017". Seconded and carried without dissent.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer sent his report to Kevin: Per Gary, current balance is \$35,314.14. East Haven Ice Rink Check for \$20,025 is pending which brings balance to \$15,289.25. Invoice for Refs has not been received yet. Anticipating approximately \$10,500 on hand at season's end.

President's Report / Old Business:

Scholar Athlete award - (pins) have been distributed. Next season, dates and details will be posted much sooner and will roll out additional CGHL pins: Resilience, Determination, Kindness, Teammate Skills.

SPECIAL EVENT - BOD, Head Coach, Ref Rep Meeting: CGHL to host meeting with Head Coaches (and hopefully some Referee Reps) ice-breaker, informative, activities designed to orient and fortify CGHL values / culture. Details to follow. Tentatively, coaches will sit together by age group (e.g. U12s, etc.) and opportunity to meet outside competitive game setting will foster good communication and atmosphere throughout the season.

MOTION by Carl (VP): Move that the **Date set: Monday, 11-SEP-2017** Seconded and carried without dissent. **FURTHER ACTION:** Kevin will look into facility, etc. report back.

SPECIAL EVENT - Awards Ceremony:

LaChance Leadership Award, Cassella Community Builder Award and Coach of the Year awards to be presented at **Head Coach, CGHL Rep, Ref Meeting on 11-SEP-2017.**

New business:

Additional BOD Meeting(s) this Spring:

Kevin proposed meeting again before Summer vacation. BOD agreed (without dissent) and asked Kevin to pick date(s). ACTION ITEM: Kevin to pick date and poll availability for May / June Meeting. If enough want to meet, meeting will be set via email to BOD.

U10 Fall Jamboree & CGHL Jamboree / Tournament

Bill (Shoreline Sharks) proposed holding U10 Jamboree in the Fall (late September/ early October) The BOD discussed ideas and benefits of Fall Jamboree. U10 Jamboree / Tournament ideas will be discussed further at Next MEETING when programs know how many U10 teams next season. ACTION ITEM: Tabled until next meeting.

U-19 Fall Tournament or Earlier in March

Bill (Shoreline Sharks) proposed holding U-19 Tournament before the start of the HS season (November) or earlier in March (after HS tournament) to relieve conflicts with HS Spring Sports. Tournament dates will be discussed further at next MEETING when programs know how many U19 teams next season. ACTION ITEM: Tabled until next meeting.

Changes to Rules

Overtime - Joann (Northern Lights) proposed changing language of existing tournament rules to clarify overtime period and (if still tied) 5 player shootout(s) until a winner applies to semi-finals ("crossovers") when tournament format provides for two brackets (unlike round robin format here all teams in Division play one another). ACTION ITEM: Convene Rules Committee - Tabled until next meeting.

Brackets - Joann (Northern Lights) proposed changing the brackets' match-ups. Some suggested match-ups this past tournament could have permitted teams without any wins to advance and this seems unfair to team that won. Others indicated matchup structure CGHL utilized is similar to ones USAH utilized at regionals and absent a round robin format (with all teams playing one another) there's no way to make things 100% 'fair'. ACTION: Tabled until next meeting and pending further investigation and analysis.

Teams to Register Full Roster at CGHL Website

New this season, teams to register full rosters via CGHL website (Players, Coaches, Assistant Coaches, Team Managers, Schedulers, etc.). ACTION ITEM: Kevin to provide details. *NOTE: Dual Roster Players to be noted.*

Teams to submit Game Score Sheets.

After each game, PDF or JPG copy of game sheet to be submitted to CGHL and posted in a password protected folder. Details will be worked out. ACTION ITEM: Need USAH screened parent volunteer for each Division of the various age groups. Need volunteer to draft 'how to' instructions.

Rule Clarification - 2.1 Dual Rostering & 2.4 Minimum Games

Kevin clarified CGHL Rule 2.1 provides for two different scenarios: (1) Players from CHC/ USAH tournament bound teams seeking to join CGHL team, and; (2) Players from CGHL teams seeking to try also playing with a CHC/USAH tournament bound team.

For players who are playing with CHC/USAH tournament bound teams who seek to 'dual roster' and join a CGHL team, they must first obtain CGHL BOD approval (petition deadline is 15-NOV). The BOD may decide to apply conditions to any approval.

For players developed on CGHL teams who wish to try dual rostering with CHC/USAH tournament bound team, the program must declare the player to the BOD (but does not need BOD permission). Part of the CGHL's mission is to be a great place for girls to try and *to grow* with hockey on all girls teams. CGHL does not seek to exclude players from teams just because they develop increased hockey skills and may wish to try dual rostering on a CHC/USAH tournament bound team. In relevant part, CGHL Rule 2.1(5) states:

*CGHL players who seek to dual roster on CHC [/USAH] Boys or Girls teams shall be declared to the CGHL Board at earliest opportunity and on or before the November 15th deadline, **but shall not need special permission from the Board.**" (emphasis added).*

All players remain subject to CGHL's minimum games requirement rule (2.4).

NOTE: CGHL Reps are reminded to convey their program's coaches:

- Game Sheet Maintenance - scratch players not present
- Make game notes, especially concerning any Dual Roster players of concern
- Report any concerns to their program's CGHL Rep.
 - ◆ CGHL Reps, then reach out to opposing team's CGHL Rep to discuss Coach's concerns. If unresolved, CGHL Reps are to add the matter to BOD agenda for discussion
 - ◆ CGHL BOD may make any adjustments that the BOD finds necessary

Marshal Appointments Earlier in Season

Joann (Northern Lights) proposed Tournament Marshals should be announced earlier in the season. Backup was submitted with the request. ACTION ITEM: Item for Rules Committee - to be convened. Tabled until next meeting pending review of materials submitted with request.

Agenda Items & Backup Reminder

A reminder to all Organizations in the CGHL. Please make your requests for Agenda items including any Play/Up, Play/Down requests via the CGHL website forms at least 1 week prior to the Next Scheduled Board Meeting. Absent emergency circumstances, requests received after the deadline will not be heard until the following month's meeting..

Meeting Adjourned: 10:01 PM

NEXT MEETING: Monday, 08-MAY-2017 and/or Monday, 05-JUN-2017