

GSL Board of Directors Meeting

Date: April 9, 2014

Start: 7:12 p.m.

Present: Dan Haggerty, Jeff Brown, Barbara Wright, Katie Carzello and Todd Jensen
Representatives from the following organizations:
Amherst, Capitals, Enfield, FCHA, Holy Name, Ludlow, Nonotuck, Pioneer Valley

OLD BUSINESS:

- March 18, 2014, Meeting Minutes were read and accepted with 2 changes.
 - Toss is seeking to come back for one more year as scheduler. Toss was changed to Todd.
 - League wide Mercy rule was for Midgets only.
- **Treasurer's Report**
 - The checking account has a balance of \$7,320.05
 - The scholarship account has a balance of \$1,161.17
- **Statisticians Report**
 - There was one correction to the suspension list that will be passed out in the fall.
 - Medical waiver request
 - A PeeWee requesting to play squirt because he has only played one year since Learn to Skate. The parents are afraid he will get discouraged if he has to play peewee and he does not have strong skills. The doctor approved this. He is 57 inches and 70 pounds.
 - This was unanimously approved.
 - Note to all organizations the medical waivers must go to Barbara first.
 - Barbara passed out the waiver for Mites wanting to play squirts. It is not currently updated on the website but should be "soon". The only waivers she can see being approved are if you do not have a Mite program, and only if the player is 8.
- **Schedulers Report**
 - A motion was made to not have evaluations for Bantams or Mites.
 - A motion to table this vote was made but not accepted with 2 out of 9 votes.
 - The motion was accepted with 7 votes for and 2 against.
 - Calendar for next season was passed out, this will be posted to the website.
 - Bantams will start games earlier due to not having evaluations with the start date being 10/4.
 - There will be a Mite Jamboree next season. Todd is looking into it possibly being in Ludlow as they have the dividers and might have enough ice available. This will be held the same weekend as the evaluation round for the Squirt & PeeWee divisions.
 - Apparently Pioneer Valley is interested in possibly sharing the dividers with Ludlow. This will be looked into.
 - Amherst and Westfield are working on ways to try and get dividers for their rinks.

NEW BUSINESS:

- It was discussed that as long as they didn't compete with our league, if it would be okay to advertise camps and things on a separate tab on our website.
 - A motion was made to accept 3rd party vendors to post camps on our website. With the approval to be made by the executive board.
 - This motion was made and accepted, unopposed.
- It was discussed that at the January meeting each organization would bring their list of coaches and prove that they are eligible to coach. If they are not any time they are on the bench after that they will forfeit the games.
 - Jeff Brown put together a written proposal to be voted on at the May meeting.
 - Please find this proposal attached to the email sent with the minutes.

- There was some discussion regarding Keene rejoining the GSL. They are allowed but there was some discussion regarding the fact that their rink is not built yet. The last time they had teams in the league they were giving ice at Cushing Academy, which is quite a hike for most teams. There are more discussions to be had with them but they did say they would talk to some of the northern rinks about getting some ice.
- There was a proposal for Keene Squirts to allow Mites to play per the New England District Rule.
 - This motion was made and accepted, unopposed.
- The Mite forfeit proposal was quickly touched on again after the discussion last meeting.
 - There was a motion to adopt the proposal.
 - This motion was made and accepted, unopposed.
- PVL made a claim that a Holy Name coach reached out to one of their goalies. This claim was quickly straightened out, as the coach that was being referred to is no longer affiliated with Holy Name. This coach has left the league entirely.
- Elections~
 - There was a motion to wave the nominating committee and hold the elections this evening.
 - This motion was made and accepted unopposed.
 - It was asked if anyone was resigning, with the answer being yes.
 - Dan Haggerty resigned as President.
 - Jim Matroni resigned as Treasurer.
 - It was asked if anyone was interested in running, with the answer being no.
 - The secretary cast 1 vote for each position.
 - President ~ this position was left open
 - Vice President ~ Jeff Brown
 - 2nd Vice President & Scheduler~ Todd Jensen
 - Treasurer ~ Beth Gokey
 - Secretary ~ Katie Carzello
 - League Statistician~ Barbara Wright

All of the nominations were accepted unopposed.

Because no one stepped up for the President position, Jeff Brown will be the acting president until one is found.

- The Webmaster position is also available, left Jeff Brown know if you are interested in running. This is a paid position.
- Next month we will discuss the stipends for all of the positions.
- May 5th is the meeting where they decide who gets what for state tournaments. It was discussed and the GSL would like to again get 2 tournaments. Preferably the girls tournament if its available when we get to pick.
 - A motion was made to do the same process as in the past and get 2 tournaments with the understanding that they are the same weekend.
 - This motion was made and accepted, unopposed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, May 14, 2014 @ 7:00
In the upstairs conference room at the Olympia Ice Rink