

RALEIGH YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING
MARCH 25, 2007

ATTENDEES: David Wright
Jerry Magin
Steve Henley
MJ May
Danny Hurley
Andy Trione
Bill McClurg
Deborah Beeler
Steve Allen
John Lenzmeier
Paul Strand, Visitor

John Biedermann resigned as President of the Board and all other obligations effective immediately. The Board accepted this resignation. Acting President will put a letter out thanking John for his commitment to the association.

Because we do not have a Director of Upper House, the Director of Lower House would be the next in line to fill in for the President, however he does not want that position, and he made a nomination for John Lenzmeier to be brought back onto the Board in the capacity of Director of Upper House. John Lenzmeier will resign his position on the CAHA Board and accept the nomination for Director of Upper House. A motion was made and seconded to put John Lenzmeier back on the Board as Director of Upper House. Voted and affirmed.

Travel Hockey:

Director of Travel made a presentation on the travel offering.

Tier 1

- AAA one team per age group (top 17 sq-bantam; top 20 midgets – mixed age groups) Squirt 20% minor aged players (3 max on squirt 9 year olds)
- Season will be Labor Day through Sobiech for Tier 1 and Tier 2
- No midget majors
- Tryouts in May
- Pre-selected tournaments
- Pre-season camp prior to Labor Day
- \$3,500 stipend plus expenses for coaches (to be capped)
- Tournament based teams

- Junior Hurricane Name

Tier 2

- Top 17 or top 20
- Mixed age groups
- Pee wee – Midget Major will be district bound
- Tryouts in June
- Pre-selected tournaments
- Player development for squirt-bantam
- 4 tournaments squirts
- 5 + tournaments for pee wee through Midget Major
- Not CHL teams—leaving open to see if competitive teams in CHL – otherwise independent
- Junior Hurricane Name
- Stipend \$2500 plus expenses (to be capped)

Travel A

- Mixed age groups
- Not district bound
- No midget 18U
- Tryouts in June
- CHL schedule
- Junior Hurricane Name
- Registered Tier 2 teams—The board will recommend teams for districts
- CHL winning team will participate in districts.
- 3 Tournaments Squirts
- 4 Tournaments for Pee wee-Midget Minor
- Stipend \$2500

Select

- Pee wee through Midget Major
- Not district bound
- 4 tournaments
- Evaluation/Draft – August
- Playing in CHL
- Mixed age groups
- Grandfathering players in the program
- Backfill with draft/evaluation
- 3 groups pee wee through midget major
- No squirts
- Midget 18U's will carry on as is can petition to play up in A/AA if no B league.
Not district bound
- Stipend is program costs \$2,000
- Season starts right after Labor Day and ends President's Day

- 12 teams in select – no matter which level

Girls

- Are there three teams figured into the ice model for next season, currently not
- Girls ice time has been increased by 1 hour for next year (2 full ice a week)
- Would like to consider third team in available slots we have

A motion was made and seconded to accept the above travel proposal. All in favor voted and motion was affirmed.

Administration:

Ice Contracts

- Extend to a 3 year term
- First right of refusal during prime time
- Confidentiality Agreement – Can't share with other providers
- Contracts have gone out to Cary, Wake Forest and Garner
- Will begin negotiations with RecZone immediately

House timeline (I think Steve Henley wanted a timeline for house)

- Based on ice requirements used last fall and spring
- Standardized schedule for house programs
- All ended by mid-February
- Spring evaluations first weekend in March

A motion was made and seconded to accept the ice agreement as proposed. Voted and affirmed.

Finance:

- Director of Finance made a presentation including Profit and Loss, Balance Sheet, and Statement of Cash flow fiscal year to date from Quick Books and where we stand today financially.
- Per the bylaws \$1,000 per expenditure can be done without Board approval.
- Administrator is to send the Director of Finance an updated summary of where we stand in one week on credits & fees outstanding from the fall season.
- Set up a guideline for refunds: injury; 48 hours refund consideration; moving
- A committee was formed to create a policy for refunds and then bring it to the Board for review. MJ, Andy, Jerry and Danny.

Other:

Bylaws:

- RYHA, Inc. Bylaws model could be a good model but it was decided to move ahead with the originally distributed bylaws.
- How many board members do we want to go forward with?
- It was decided that a 7 member board would be best from 2007-2008 onward; President, Director of House, Director of Travel/Tier 1 Appointee, Director of Finance; Director of Fundraising; Director of Girls; and Director of PR/Marketing/Website. One cycle this year, president, director of travel and director of fundraiser; next cycle following year, director house, finance, director of girls and director of pr/marketing/website administrator on a two year cycle. Girls and pr/marketing will go on ballot for 07 for a one year program and then again on the ballot for 08 for a two year program.
- Director of Independent teams will continue working on the bylaws with Raleigh Youth Hockey Association with the linkage to RYHA, Inc.
- Get terms of board structure and new by laws to attorney for review and guidance.
- Get the roles and responsibilities, board structure together and obtain nominations & get the ballots out there.

Discussion over the ballot – how to get the ballot out for nominations, etc.

- Get terms of board structure out to attorney.
- Get the roles and responsibilities, board structure together and get the ballots out there.
- Looking into doing this online

A recommendation was made that John Biedermann serve as one of Raleigh's representative to the CHL. Recommendation was approved.