



Camillus Youth Hockey Board Meeting

Aug 20, 2024

6:30 pm

Asil's Pub

1. Determination of Quorum
 - a. Quorum reached
 - b. Present: M. LaRocca, T. Choe, J. Heron, M. Craner, R. Abert, R. Thompson, T. Manard, S. Mercurio, B. Stalter, T. Carvel, K. Hayden (arr. 6:40)
 - c. Absent/Excused: J. Moulton, C. Sandford
 - d. Meeting called to order at 6:32 p.m.
2. Open Forum
 - a. Several association members were present, however no issues were raised during this open forum session
3. Acceptance July'24 minutes
ISSUE: Accept minutes of July '24 Meeting as Read
MOTION: T. Choe SECOND: J. Heron
ACTION: Passed, unanimous
4. Current Financials (Jason) – Treasurer J. Heron provided a detailed explanation of financial sheets mentioned below. See link for access to financial sheets.
 - a. [Balance Sheet](#)
 - b. [Profit Loss YOY](#)
 - c. [Profit Loss Previous year comparison](#)
 - d. [vendor detail](#)

Treasurer Heron points out that differences compared to last year on the balance sheet can be attributed to different issues including increased ice costs at this time this year as compared to last year due to unforeseen issues with ice at Skaneateles, and slower registrations compared to this time last year.

ISSUE: Accept Treasurers report for August 2024

MOTION: M. Craner SECOND: T. Manard

ACTION: Passed, unanimous

5. Tabled Items

- a. Jake - Sparks Machine – Issue is tabled until September 2024 meeting
- b. Tom – Scoreboard Update
 - i. Per T. Manard, everything is currently on track for a tentative 9/10/2024 installation date. We are waiting for confirmation from the Town of Camillus that it will take place the week of 9/9/2024. The question was raised as to what happens to the old scoreboard once the new one is in place. We are currently operating under the assumption that it belongs to the Town of Camillus, and they will have a say in what happens to it.
 - ii. There were likely be the need to schedule training to operate the new scoreboard once it is installed. More information to follow.
 - iii. The purchase order is due 30 days from the installation of the new scoreboard.
- c. Coleen – Registration Update
 - i. Per a prepared statement from C. Sanford, registration numbers are ok, with the exception of 18U house. We are currently looking for more players and will be sending out another email. It was pointed out that this group is historically late to sign up.
- d. Trendon - Handbook Changes
 - i. Handbook changes have been submitted to the Board for review, will be discussed and voted on in Executive Session per M. LaRocca.
- e. Mike – Coaching Approvals
 - i. Moved to Executive Session

6. New Business

- a. Steve – Snowbelt Update / Backup Snowbelt Rep
 - i. S. Mercurio recently attended the snowbelt meeting and provided the following information:
 - 1. a question was brought up regarding the possibly of an 18U Split Season Snowbelt team. No action was taken by the board.
 - 2. There will be a vote on a proposal to change times to line up better with Travel Teams/NYS Hockey—CYHA will vote YES
 - 3. Jams have been scheduled for the weekend of 3/7/2025. Bids to

host a jam are due by the November 2024 Snowbelt meeting. Bids will be awarded at the December meeting.

4. Equal Ice forms were assigned to S. Mercurio
5. For the Sept. 2024 Snowbelt Meeting: they need to know what CYHA will be fielding for teams for example, 12U and 10U tiered teams.
6. The October 2024 Snowbelt meeting will take place in Auburn.
7. Question of the ability to dual roster goalies for travel and house teams. The ability to do this last year played a crucial role in assuring our teams always had a goalie to dress.
8. It is confirmed that the 'Gold' level will be happening for 10U players
9. A backup snowbelt rep for CYHA was discussed, in the event that S. Mercurio is not able to make a scheduled meeting. Board member R. Thompson volunteered to act as backup Snowbelt Rep.

b. Rachel – Snack Bar / Parent Org.

- i. Only 3 workers from the group that was available last season will likely be returning this season. R. Abert will be putting feelers out for any interested people. By all accounts they were a tremendous help last year in ensuring the snack bar was always staffed.
- ii. Instead of a used equipment sale this year, it was proposed that a donation booth be set up. This would allow us to provide equipment to families in need free of charge. Whatever is left over once the used equipment that is available has been taken can then be traded for cash at Play-it-Again sports.

c. Division Director updates

- i. Tykes: No Updates, Always looking for more coaches. Flyer being sent out to generate interest at district elementary schools, being handled by R. Abert and C. Sandford.
- ii. Mites: Full Ice rules for 8U players were sent out this year by NYS Hockey. Full Ice opportunities will be available for 2016 birth years only. The board is working on a how players will be selected. B. Manard is putting together a proposal to submit to the Central Section for CYHA's plan going forward. There was discussion as to what the best guess right now would be of how many 2016's would be able to play full ice if offered the chance. The proposal is due to Central Section November 1, 2024.
- iii. Squirt: No Updates
- iv. PeeWee: No Updates

- v. Bantam: 14U house has good numbers, thanks to addition of out of district players. We are still looking for a coach for this team. We are anticipating some minor difficulty scheduling games locally due to Lysander and Auburn not having teams. CYHA will cap the team at 15 players.
 - vi. Midgets: Working on getting the remainder of players registered.
- d. Any Additional Items
- i. J. Heron brought up sponsorships. He will be looking into it further and will be working with former treasurer Steve Grzelka. Will report back next month.
 - ii. M. Craner brought up the need to purchase a tablet to accommodate moving to GameSheet score tracking and ensuring adequate WIFI in the rink. Per M. LaRocca, WIFI is adequate, don't need to be live while scoring the game, only need to be able to upload completed score sheet. M. LaRocca will have more info at the Sept. meeting regarding tablet purchase and storage plan.
 - iii. R. Abert brought up CPR certification needs for coaches. Per regulations, one coach on the ice needs to be CPR certified. M. Craner will contact D. Binns regarding last year's coaches who took certification class and provide a list of coaches who need to get certified by Sept. meeting.
 - iv. Salt City Prospects Pre-Season Clinic Schedules are completed and will be out soon. T. Manard has the list of tentative dates and will share once they are confirmed for travel, house teams. Clinics will take place in Cicero due to recent issues at Skaneateles.
 - v. Earlier discussion regarding rink status: One rink at Skaneateles is down, we are working on finding other slots at other places, including Cicero. The Nation rink is expected to be back up and running in mid-October, we may look at times there as well.

7. Open Forum (Items Discussed by Board)

- a. An association member at the meeting raised the question of why the Handbook is voted on in executive session. M. LaRocca responded that it is because board members need to be able to discuss delicate/sensitive issues openly.
- b. The member then asked what can go into Executive Session. M. LaRocca responded that again, the board needs to be able to speak openly with each other about sensitive/delicate issues.
- c. An association member pointed out that (with regard to 8U full ice opportunities) that if certain 2016 birth year players that are eligible for the

opportunity are excluded, it will likely cause problems down the road.

- d. An association member questioned the decision to cap the 14U house team at 15 players, and asked what would happen if an in-district player is a late registrant. M. LaRocca responded that if that does occur then the in-district player will be given a spot, and the team will have 16 players.
- e. An association member requested that a passage regarding the explanation of what constitutes an executive session and what can be discussed in such session be added to the handbook. The question was acknowledged by the board and will be taken into consideration when the next handbook update occurs.
- f. An association member raised a question regarding coaching situations, particularly for house teams, i.e, determining head coaches for various levels of house, how and when teams will be tiered, etc., and if out of district players can apply for 10U teams. M. LaRocca responded that we are currently working on coaching assignments, confirmed there will be tiered teams where there are enough players, and that we are not currently accepting out of district players in the 10U division because there is not a need for out of district players at that level.

ISSUE: Move to Executive Session to discuss specific issues that may contain sensitive/delicate information

MOTION: T. Choe SECOND: B. Stalter

ACTION: Passed, unanimous

Meeting moved to Executive Session at 7:21 p.m

ISSUE: Motion to Adjourn

MOTION: T. Carvel SECOND: J. Heron

ACTION: Passed, unanimous

MEETING ADJOURNED at 7:51 p.m.

Next Meeting: 9/17/2024