



## **THA Board Meeting June 11, 2025**

**Location: J. Peppers, Kernersville and Zoom**

### **Meeting Minutes**

- Board members in attendance: Dean Christy, Joe Strasser (Zoom), Mike Paquette, Jeremy Pero, Lisa Canter
- Staff members in attendance: Sally Anglin, Connie Murphy, Jack Brady, Jon Goroff
- Meeting was called to order at 6:05pm
- Jeremy moved that the minutes for the May meeting be accepted as presented by Lisa and Krista. Joe seconded the motion. None opposed.
- Final Team Player Counts & League Divisions:
  - 10U Black – 16 (ACHC Single A)
  - 10U White – 13 (CHL Lower A)
  - 12U Black – 15 (ACHC Single A)
  - 12U White – 13 (CHL – TBD)
  - 14U Black – 14 (ACHC AA / EJ Gold)
  - 14U White – 12 (CHL Single A)
  - 16U – 15 + 1 Development Player (ACHC AA / EJ Futures 1)
  - 18U – 11 Players (Tournament Only) 25-30 games
  - New Goalie added to 10U White
  - New Goalie at 12U (team TBD)
- Novant Sponsorship Update – discussing a possible \$5k donation and they would be on practice jerseys again or a \$10k donation with a possible dasher at the Ice House (sent them what it would look like). It was noted that Novant also supports the Gargoyles.
- We are having a dasher at Ice House put up for Triad Storm for free. We can also get a discount on the end zone dasher. Could sell more dashers as fundraiser. They cost us \$1k, we could sell them for \$5k. The donors would need to renew each year. We have stats on how many visitors they get per year to share with prospective donors. Could ask Marcos if they are interested. Can also sell end zones dasher, they are longer so could ask for more. Believe there are 25 dasher spots.
- There will be a Team Manager Meeting next week
- Financial Aid application open through weekend. The committee meets Monday. Will have time to process before first draft in July.
- We plan to take advantage of the MyHockey Flash Sale in July again. The goal is to have all teams book tournaments and have cross over families captured.
- ACHC Tournament play in tournament will be June 22, 10U Black and 12U Black participating
- We received a \$179 credit from ACHC
- THA Summer Showcase update: Sally working on application and sponsor for ice time
- New for 25/26 season: each team will be asked to complete a community service project
- 15 coaches bags ordered
- Office Update: gym upgrades in process, vinyl installation in process, Gym Waiver in development,

- Jack hired Ollie Quackenbush as an assistant
- Gargoyles Opening Weekend: October 18–19. Saturday game 10U and 12U teams will be anthem buddies, intermission shoot out. There will be a gargoyles/storm hat. \$40 ticket will include a hat and some of the proceeds will come back to Triad Storm. Sunday game 14U will do a shoot out and 16U/18U will be anthem buddies. 11 Friday games through season will include the same activities. Ideas also include zam ride, shootouts, full org walk. Discussed having an end of year celebration and award ceremony, April 10, for all teams at end of game. Can schedule exhibition games on Saturdays at the coliseum. When we are participating in games, we can get proceeds from ticket sales as well. \$5 in each ticket back to us. Will have link to buy tickets, there would be a minimum for ticket sales in order to get proceeds (Saturday is 300 tickets, Friday 100 and less on Sunday). Tickets would be on side where they shoot twice, all in the same section. We can invite all travel and rec, possibly Winston Salem and mites as well. We can also help with chuck a puck and 25% of proceeds go back to Triad Storm.
- SP x THA Hockey Skills Camp partnership, Camp Dates: July 12, July 19, July 26, and August 2, includes on-ice, off-ice, and video sessions, \$300 for camp or \$85 to just attend a few, July 12, July 19 July 26 and August 2.
- Triad Roller Hockey League, sent out google form and got lots of good attention. \$45 an hour for rink time. Tuesdays and Fridays in July for 4 weeks. \$125 for four weeks. Registration will open within a week.
- Pre-Season Clinic (August), Runs every Tuesday and Thursday in August, Focusing on conditioning, skill development, and team prep. Finalizing ice times, coaches, and registration timeline. Jack coordinated with Chuck on ice. Dates will be August 5, 8, 12, 14, 19, 21, 26, 28. Groups will be 10/12 and 14/16/18. Will be sending out more details soon.
- Third jerseys and warm-up sweatsuits sent to Skater's Edge and the Gargoyles, online store will be open by 3<sup>rd</sup> week of June. Will offer hockey bags, hoodies, etc., Store will be open all year. Does it make sense to have rec merch in store as well? If not, can stay with stick bandits. Rec only offered sweatshirts previously.
- Coaching Development Sessions offered by Jan Salak and Jiri Pestuka. On-ice session before the season begins focusing on mechanics, drills, and coaching techniques to support staff development. Also talking to CAHA about coach development. They offered to do seminar or on ice - looking at end of August or beginning of September. Would help parent coaches get their USA hockey levels up. The cost would be ice time and \$50 per session.
- Coaches Zoom Meeting (Tomorrow) to review season structure, practice planning, expectations, and resources and align all teams and coaching staff.
- We are looking to partner with Wake Med again on their research study. They made custom mouth guards and follow teams to practices and games. No cost to THA.
- Jon Goroff expressed concerns about CHL – they may not have many lower teams for competition. Asked if ACHC have lower teams.
- Met with Lady Thunderbirds to discuss games wanted against rec for the coming season. Planning a 12u select team, 10/12 teams and 16U. Looking for prices per game for ice time.
- Connie updates: Accountants asking about 2018 and 2019 - need to understand who employees were and roles. She has sent the financial statements. They have 2018 and 2019 built. The accountants have raised questions about paying board members for other roles. The shared expenses for May were higher due to the office build out. Need to understand what the remaining costs will be. 43k expected in profit from travel
- Planning to have a development program with 2 players are each age level. Players would be called up for games and also get a full rec season. Will have tryouts for spots and will announce week

- Scholarship money \$20k available. Will be split between travel and rec \$15k for travel \$5 for rec, a 75%/25% split.
- Connie needs these items from Mike:
  - Goalie skills contract
  - Rec director contract
  - Coaches contracts
- Jeremy shared that he is submitting disciplinary stuff to Sally for the shared drive
- Mike shared he is thinking about how we run as an organization as Jack takes over responsibilities. Focusing on doing the right thing for kids. He thanked everyone, including volunteers, but stated it shouldn't be as much work for other members and volunteers going forward. Mike plans to concentrate on the 5 year plan and laying the foundation for the organization.
- July meeting on Zoom, look at 1<sup>st</sup> quarter financials, July 24, 6pm.
- Meeting adjourned at 7:35pm.