

Enfield Hockey Association Board of Directors

Date: 11.29.25 Call to Order: 8:03 PM

Meeting #7

In Attendance:

- Director of Coaches & Players: Howie Fleischman
- Registrar: Kim Hatch
- Finance Director: Becky Santanella
- Learn to Skate Director: Jen Hren
- Booster Club President: Karen Contorno

Not Present:

- Director of Operations: Ken Labak
- CHC/GSL Rep: Matt Alberti
- Lower Division Director: Doug Ferro
- Upper Division Director: Mike DiSalvo
- Secretary/Equipment Director: Danielle Chabot

Guests:

Ricky Dias

Damian McCartney

Agenda:

- Meeting Minutes from Meeting #6: Not enough Board members present to vote
- Board reports
 - Director of Operations
 - Conversation with Blackbear in regards to a new contract for next season was had. We requested a 3 year contract. Discussion was also had about rates and increases for the next few seasons. Conversation went well. Hoping to get something back from Blackbear Dec/ Jan time frame.
 - Coaches game: Refs are scheduled. We will need a \$50 cash payment night of the event. Karen said the Booster Club will take care of.
 - Still working on rosters for Coaches game
 - Waiting to hear back from coaches about the shooters that each team will use. Howie has asked for this info from teams.
 - Director of Coaches & Players: Howie Fleischman
 - Not much new. Ref issue did occur but has been addressed
 - Registrar: Kim Hatch

- Registrations open:
 - Mini Mites: Registration will be open until 12/31 but if anyone is interested they have to reach out to get tuition info
 - Learn to Skate: registration open. The 1st session has 24, the second only has 11 at this point. 14 skaters are only signed up for the first session. We do need to work on retaining them
 - Any movement of players has to happen before 12/31. There are 2 squirt aged kids in LTS that should be looked at for movement. Howie will take a look.
- Finance Director: Becky Santanella
 - Nothing new
 - Any request to be added to the Budget should be sent to Becky as she will begin to work on next season's budget.
 - Kim will send list for coaches and volunteer reimbursements to Becky in January
- Learn to Skate Director: Jen Hren
 - Better numbers this season. Kids are happy and having fun. Lots of coaches helping out.
- Lower Division Director: Doug Ferro
 - No report sent
- Upper Division Director: Mike Disalvo

In contact with 1 family regarding missed payments.

Will follow up with coaches for shooters for shoot out during coaches game.

- CHC/GSL Rep: Matt Alberti

CHC meeting notes

10/28/25

- **8u-14u is \$500 deposit per team due by December 15th.**
- **UConn offering group outings. 10 or more discount. Youth experience, high five and stand on ice. UConn men's games would be Hartford game's.**
- **Danbury hat tricks junior team. 18-20 age. Want to do youth outreach. Can book them to have players to come to practices. Mites on ice can be done.** joedimarino@danburyttricks.com for information.
- **Clinics posted on 1 and 15th posted every month. First year coaches will not be redlined at end of year. Anyone that's more than first year. They need to do level 1 and next year the u6/u8 next season. If any first year coaches get redlined by USA hockey. Registrar can reach out to Mary Turner and they will unredline them.**

6U/8U meeting

- At the 8u age we aren't trying to create hockey players, we are trying to create athletes. 98 % of the NHL played 2 sports until 15 yrs old. 84% played 3 sports to 15 yrs old.
- *6U and 8u practice shouldn't have toys on the ice. Practice should be game like situations as much as they can.*
- *Sweden doesn't play full ice until U15*
- *There's 34,000 more touches in a cross ice game vs a full ice game.*

- *Full ice is for parents not kids*
- *Eyes up should be one of the main things told to other kids.*

In summary the 8u meeting was to state that there is a new committee also they are tryin to push to keep mites as a half ice game and not a full ice game.

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- Booster Club President: Karen Contorno
 - Coaches game prep going well. Nervous about not having enough volunteers. Pizza will be sold again. Ann's does give us discount but still ends up being a loss for the night
 - Comedy Night location contact received. Will get that sent out
- Secretary/Equipment Director: Danielle Chabot
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- Topics
 - New Business:
 - None
- Next Month's Meeting
 - December 18th 8pm(may be cancelled if not necessary)
 - January 8th 8pm
 - February 5th 8pm
 - March 5th 8pm
- Outstanding Actions:

Meeting adjourned:8:33 PM