

# Parma Hockey Association

## Board Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Thursday, September 7, 2022

**Location:** PHA Board Room

**Members Present:** Pete Kraguljac, Sarah Stankiewicz, Cherie Kurlychek, Sara Settin, Mandi Acierno, Brad Bucci, Nancy Kappel, Tessa Kostura, Ryan Bissler, Kevin Clements

**Visitors:** None

The meeting was called to order at 7:25 pm by Pete Kraguljac.

- **Approval of Minutes:** Motion carried to approve the August 4, 2022, minutes: Nancy (1), Kevin (2) 9-0-0.

**Visitors' Business:** Russ from Visual Sports

- Used to do our photos for many years, many years ago.
  - Enjoys taking team photos; not building individual photos into a team photo
  - Shoots against a green screen and adds edgy art
  - Yearbooks: they did them for us years ago and we received # for free
  - Now: he can give us free yearbooks, or he can give us fundraising check (and we sell yearbooks to parents)
  - Sponsor plaques are free
  - Starting to offer team banners, at very low prices
  - Since last time they did our photos, they now offer online ordering. Looking to upgrade mobile end of website
  - There is a fundraising program built into what is sold; we get the money and decide what we want to do with it. (i.e. take the cash; put it toward banners; offer free yearbooks, etc.)
  - 3x5 banners are \$30 (i.e. senior shots; sponsor banners)
  - He will give Sarah his cell phone: he will respond to calls/texts, after he goes to Pounders 😊
- **Hockey Committee**
    - Schedule
      - Scheduling is done. It's crazy complicated.
      - Kevin will be a check-and-balance for Brad and Todd; he will check every two weeks to make sure we're not missing anything
      - Monday: Pete, Sarah and Brad are meeting with Red 1 and to go through all requirements.
    - Coaches' meetings
      - Coaching requirements: everyone is done except for Bantam coaches
    - Mite placements
      - 69 Mites and 48 Mini Mites
    - Mini Mites
      - There will be a couple coaches/people in charge paying attention to the bottom half to determine which 5-10 Mites can go down to Mighty Mites or Mini Mites.

- We can't have over-crowded ice because it's not good for development; it's hard on the coaches; it doesn't make sense.
- USA Hockey suggests 10 kids per station, with two coaches in a station. So a max of 60 kids on ice
- Pete and Brad plan to meet with Ken and Nancy to discuss Mini Mites.
- New: John Egan got ahold of guy in Arizona. We can get 4 nets for \$1900 in 3 weeks.
- Kevin: If we're going to send Minis down, we should host a Town Hall to let parents know some kids might go down.
- Mandi: When Mites get placed, will we send them an invite to join their teams?  
Pete: Yes. And we can say they have 48 hours in advance to accept.  
Pete: I'm all for having a Town Hall with the Mites; he's happy to be there to talk  
Will say "we're going to move you down to a new program we have, called Mighty Mites. We can't field 5 blue teams; we want them to be able to play."
- Brad: Bob and Brad will hold Town Halls before placements
- Ryan: For all the teams who are doing tournaments, they should have their blackout dates submitted. The coaches were asked to submit them. And will be asked again after placements

- **President's Report:**

- Scholarship fund
  - Riley Reed wants to give us a lot of money, but there's a lot that goes with it
  - His son died of asthma
  - Coach has to submit application; skater has to write essay
  - They will award it, and skater will win free fee for next season if they stay at Parma
  - A child who exhibits the traits of a captain on and off the ice
  - Kevin: allow all the kids to write essays
  - Pete: they want a coach to nominate a child
  - \$7500-\$10,000 per year to play with, indefinitely
  - One from each level; has to be nominated by the coach;
  - Kevin: it's a lot of pressure for the coach; I would not want to deal with the blow-back from the parents who were not selected
- Budget extension
  - Not now; need to wait until we have accurate Mite count  
**Pete TO DO: budget for next meeting**
- Preseason scheduling
  - September 17
- Scheduling for Mite coaching interviews
  - The week of the 24<sup>th</sup>, all Mite coaches will be interviewed (Sept 26-30)
  - We'll send out coaching applications
  - Numbers should be done and in Crossbar, except for Mites and people new to PHA.
  - The store will be open for a limited time for jerseys and spiritwear; so it will be the one order for Christmas. **Cherie TO DO: Make sure this is communicated.**
  - **Jerseys: next year, we need to order them sooner.**
  - Mandi and Sarah manually check all Mites for numbers, as the system doesn't do it for Mites (for some reason)
  - Sarah: If everyone wants to re-open the store for Christmas, that's fine. But he said people order more if they order all together.

- Pete to Brad: Let's do Mite placements in August. Rent ice from somewhere and get it done.
  - Banner ceremony
    - Do we want to do one? We used to do it earlier, but now we don't get them until later
    - Maybe we do it once Open Skate starts
    - Have the city hang them and cover them; then we'll pick a date to unveil
  - The rock
    - Plaque will be taken off and will be replaced
- **Vice President's Report**
  - Break the Ice event
    - Tomorrow is the event from 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm; skating is from 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm
    - Everything is fine. It's just fine.
    - We're getting 8 pizzas at 6:00 pm. We have plates, napkins, table cloths
    - It will be outside because Holy Name is doing a goalie clinic at 7:15.
    - We will sell shirts while everyone is here
    - Sarah and Sara have to leave before it's over to go to tournament at Gilmour.
    - Ryan and Tessa will be clean up (t-shirts, etc.)
  - Hall of Fame + Welcome Back event
    - Cornhole: taking 20 teams; if not filled beforehand, it will fill up there
      - Sarah has one set of boards but needs bags
      - Kevin has four boards
    - Wine Pull: last year we used playing cards 16 bottles as of today.
    - Pete ordered plaques
    - Slideshow is good; Sarah has inflatable screen and projector
    - Sarah speaker and playlist
    - Doing 50/50 raffle
    - We have to send out Sign Up Genius for people to volunteer
    - You can bring in your own liquor; you can bring in your own food
    - Please stay and help Sarah clean up
    - Sara is getting cash for change
    - Will have Security there. \$35/hour
    - Added a free season as one of the big baskets
- **Treasurer's Report:**
- **Registrar's Report:**
- **Old Business:**
- **New Business:**
  - Sept 15 @ 7:45 pm: New Managers meeting
  - Photos from Lake:
    - Ask to see backgrounds first; not just choose them
    - Kevin: Ask them to use a scaling stick so the kids are proportionate

- Ryan: If we're going to continue AAU team, we need to create a name. Now we are the Cleveland Flyers. Teams are non-transferable because usually an organization creates a team. We need to create an organization name for AAU.

Motion carried to adjourn the meeting at 9:36 p.m.: Mandi (1); Ryan (2) 8-0-0.

Next Meeting: Thursday, October 6, 2022, in the PHA Room