



Board Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order

Tuesday, March 23, 2021. President Greg Rush called the meeting to order at 6:02pm.

II. Roll Call

Attending:

- Jason Link
- Luke Alexander
- Brian Holder
- Robbie Clark
- Justin English
- Matt Madej
- Evan Quinley
- Kurt Stranathan
- Kim Stranathan
- Bruce Lindsey
- Mike Aldrich
- Greg Rush-Presiding Officer, President
- Kayla Edds
- Kassey Coomes
- Meredith Wilkerson
- Julie Hill
- Jason Koger

No guests present; None absent; Quorum met

III. Approval of Minutes

Minutes from prior meeting not voted upon

IV. Order of Business

A. Reports of Officers and Committees

- Treasurer Report-None
- President Report-President Greg Rush will be stepping down and will no longer serve as President of OYHA Board
- Coaches-in-Chief Report-CICs Robbie Clark and Justin English said Blast Bash was very successful due to the number of volunteers; added that for Travel Coaches only three have put name in at mites, squirts, and Rampage levels.

Unfinished Business

- None listed

B. New Business

- President Greg Rush walked through expectations of meetings, need to follow minutes template provided
- Discussion of Summer League-importance of setting dates stressed. Kerry had mentioned that Mondays after 6pm and Wednesdays any time were open. Discussion that splitting the 9-12 and 13+ age groups would result in referees being there on multiple days/wk. Kim Stranathan as mother of referee said she prefers games only on one night. Jason Link mentioned that this was business for the new board.
- Preference states to extend early bird summer league registration discount to one week after dates for Summer league are announced

Outgoing OYHA Board members departed

- After departure of outgoing board members, discussion of loaner gear return dates. Meredith Wilkerson said that she would like to do loaner gear returns on the same couple of days as picture pickup and times for picking up Blast Bash clothing orders
- Justin English asked about getting sets of keys for each board member
- Greg Rush led by-law review
- Main points of by-law review
 - OYHA membership composed of all parents and players 18 years or older
 - meetings-only two required meetings for board members but also stated that if two meetings are missed in calendar year one can lead to loss of Board membership position
 - Customary that there is one board meeting per month
 - 12 members of BoD-12 people, 2 3-year terms available this year

- **Group agreed that 2021-22 meetings will be on the last Tuesday of each month**
- Responsibility of officers
 - President-oversee board meetings, relationship with USA Hockey, other officers
 - VP- same as above if President not present, primary responsibility disciplinary issues with players/coaches/parents
 - Treasurer-pay money, collect money, monitor proshop, budget, fiscal year accounting-**mention that fiscal year listed in budget is not what's listed in by-laws**
 - Secretary-accurate collection of minutes, distribution of minutes, collecting items for agenda inclusion
 - Discussion of other positions-CIC, scheduler, registrar, webmaster, safe sport coordinator
 - Potential committees-Referee, fundraising, house league, travel, coaching
 - Reminder that travel teams are not a separate entity, all fall under auspices of OYHA and follow OYHA guidelines
- Mike Aldrich asked if we have a written list of travel guidelines, Kim asked what that meant, informal consensus among board members that there needs to be written travel and house guidelines as a sort of operations manual
- Kassey Coomes and Meredith Wilkerson reminded board members that board positions were not to be used for the benefit of board members' children
- Discussion about whether coaches should be able to have officer positions and whether there should be a cap on the number of coaches, travel or house, on the board.
- **Motion-Justin English made a motion that "a House or Travel Coach cannot be President of the OYHA. If they're chosen as a Head Coach, they need to step down as President for 2021-2022 season." Evan Quinley seconded the motion. VOTE TAKEN-Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.**
- Discussion of Officer position candidates:
- Mike nominated Jason for President
- Meredith nominated Justin for President-Justin said he was not interested
- Greg nominated Robbie for President-Robbie said he was not interested
- Robbie nominated Evan for President-Evan said he was not interested
- **Motion-Evan made motion to "vote on the 2021-2022 OYHA President." Kayla seconded motion. VOTE TAKEN-Motion passed**

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- Discussion of Vice-President-Robbie Clark, Justin English, Brian Holder self-nominated for VP position; each of the three gave a short presentation on their fitness for the position; the three self-nominees left room so rest of board could discuss
- **Motion-Kim made motion to “vote on the 2021-22 OYHA VP.” Kayla seconded the motion. VOTE TAKEN-Brian Holder was elected on individual voice vote. Brian will be 2021-22 VP.**
- Discussion of Treasurer position-Kasey nominated Meredith.
- **Motion-Kim made motion to “vote on the 2021-22 OYHA Treasurer. Kayla seconded the motion. VOTE TAKEN-Meredith was elected unanimously by voice vote. Meredith will be 2021-22 OYHA Treasurer**
- Discussion of Secretary position. Matt Madej self-nominated for Secretary position.
- **Motion-Mike made motion to “vote on the 2021-22 OYHA Secretary.” Evan seconded the motion. VOTE TAKEN-Matt elected unanimously by voice vote. Matt will be 2021-22 OYHA Secretary.**
- Discussion of Coach in Chief positions-Question asked if there was a limit on number of CICs. Answer was no. Justin English suggested a Parents Learn Hockey Day to encourage more volunteers for House League coaches and other volunteer positions.
- **Motion-Evan and Kayla were nominated as CICs. Kim made motion to “vote on the 2021-22 Coaches-in-Chief.” Justin seconded. VOTE TAKEN-Kayla and Evan elected unanimously by voice vote. Kayla and Evan will be 2021-22 OYHA Coaches-in-Chief.**
- Discussion of webmaster position
- **Motion-Greg self-nominated as webmaster. Justin made motion to “vote on the 2021-22 OYHA webmaster/technology coordinator.” Kim seconded the motion. Greg was unanimously elected by voice vote. Greg will be 2021-22 OYHA webmaster.**
- Discussion of available committees-Fundraising committee, volunteers, referees, proshop, loaner gear. **Tabled for later discussion**
- Discussion of 3 year term board member positions

- **Motion-Kayla and Mike self-nominated for 3yr-board positions. Evan made motion to vote on “Kayla and Mike for 3yr board positions.” Robbie seconded. VOTE TAKEN-Kayla and Mike unanimously elected by voice vote. Kayla and Mike will serve 3yr board positions beginning in the 2021-22 board year.**
- Discussion of travel coach nominations-Matt asked why travel tryouts are so early since he thought kids would benefit from having summer league before tryouts? Greg and Robbie responded that because Evansville and regional AAA teams use May, have typically needed to use May to get the most potential players at tryouts.
- **Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, April 20 for travel coach interviews. Deadline for travel coach interest submissions Friday, April 16.**
- Currently have 3 interested coaches
- Tryout date/times will be decided by coaches as will tryout structure
- Robbie Clark mentioned gauging interest on a camp by ex Anaheim Ducks players suggested to him by Digger Phelps. Mike supported idea. Justin suggested some caution to make sure it's not an attempt to siphon kids to programs outside of this area. Robbie agreed with Mike. Some discussion of finding a similar type camp.
- Greg mentioned that we are one of few regional organizations that brand differently from younger to older age groups. Group consensus that this should be an association or travel vote after the association meeting.

C. Summary of votes taken:

1. Motion-Justin English made a motion that “a House or Travel Coach cannot be President of the OYHA. If they're chosen as a Head Coach, they need to step down as President for 2021-2022 season.” Evan Quinley seconded the motion. VOTE TAKEN-Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.
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C. Business for next meeting

- For coach meeting 4/20: Interview coaches and make decision on travel coaches
- For general board meeting 4/27:
 - Discuss formulation of policy for players wishing to “play up” an age group
 - Discussion and vote on committee chairs/committee appointments
 - Discussion of team branding

Closing

- Special session board meeting to be held on Tuesday, April 20, 6pm, at Edge Ice Center to interview and select OYHA travel coaches. General Board meeting to be held on Tuesday, April 27, 6pm, Edge Ice Center.
- Mike Aldrich made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:02pm. Evan seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
- Include signatures from the secretary and president upon approval