

BCHSHA Meeting

June 3rd, 2013

7:00 pm

In Attendance:

BOD: Ann Bello, Bill Mizera, Jennifer Stevenson, Fritz Hust, Caryn Johnson

Reps: **CF:** Corey Henige; **CV:** John Broughton; **JC:** Jay Levine, Sue Cook; **ME:** Joanne McVannan, Brent Dyer; **UE:** Mike Cerasaro, Anthony Palombaro; **VHS:** Brian Nestlerode

Absent: Tina Guley(**BOD**), Melanie Wagner (**BOD**), Scott Marean (**BHS**)

1. Call to Order: 7:08 pm

2. Review and Acceptance of April Minutes: A motion to accept the minutes as written without being read aloud was made by Brian Nestlerode, 2nd by Jay Levine. Vote: Yes-6, No-0, Abstain-0 ([Motion Passed](#))

3. Treasurer's Report:

- Reps are reminded to send Fritz their End-of-Season Team Financial Reports ASAP. The reports may be sent electronically. The final due date is the August meeting.
- Checking account balance as of 4/30/2013: \$13,486.39; savings account balance as of 5/21/2013: \$2,838.19; CD account balance as of 4/30/2013: \$18,071.51; accounts payable 1/31/2013-4/30/2013: \$31,540.75, accounts receivable 1/20-2013-4/30/2013: \$22,186.00.
- Outstanding Payments: (all are approximations):
 - Arena: \$3,000
 - Ranger Raffle (to teams): \$12,000
 - Hockey Shop: \$1,000
 - Officials: \$1,600
 - UE: \$600
 - Taxes: \$500
- A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Joanne McVannan, 2nd by Jay Levine. Vote: Yes:6, No:0, Abstain: 0 ([Motion Passed](#))
- A proposal for fees will be presented at the August meeting.

4. President's Report:

- Ann discussed the changes that were made at the NYSAHA Conference:
 - Their will now be a tournament for pure teams and non-pure teams. The tournament will be the last weekend in February. Rosters and credentials must be turned in by Dec 31st. Upon turning in rosters and credentials, a team is committed to participate in the tournament. This requires a team to commit to participating in any tournaments that are a result in the team's advancement (such as Nationals).
 - A new program called Safe Sport was introduced. The purpose of this program is to protect youth from harassment from media, abuse, etc. Every league is required to have a representative that will take and investigate reports. Ann will be the representative for the upcoming season. The representative is a mandated reporter, and all reports of abuse must be reported to law enforcement. Parents and coaches must go through Safe Sport training. This training will be held at the same time that the Parent Education seminars are held. There will be 3/4 different times that these trainings will take place next season. Trainings attended with the STHA will be honored with the BCHSHA and vice versa.
 - There will be a Level 4 Coaches Seminar held on September 7/8th at Beth Page High School on Long Island. A second Level 4 session will be held the first weekend in December in Buffalo. Coaches can find more information on the USA Hockey Website. **USA Hockey will not be making any exceptions for coaches that do not have the proper credentials by the required date.** If coaches do not know what their credential needs are, they should contact Michele Zurawel at mzurawel@stny.rr.com.
- There will be no general meeting in July, but Ann would like the new reps from JC, CV and ME to meet with her on July 15th at 7pm (Brother's 2) to discuss rep responsibilities/time line for requirements throughout the season.
- Screenings: All BOD members, coaches, team reps and anyone else that will have any sort of contact with players either on the bench or in the locker room must be screened. Screenings are good for 2 years. Players that turn 18 during the season must be screened at the time they reach 18 years of age. Screenings are done on the USA Hockey website. There will be a form that can be printed or electronically saved once the screening process is complete. Send these forms/proof of screening to Caryn Johnson. The deadline is Oct. 1st.

5. Committee Reports:

- Executive VP's Report: Nothing to report at this time.
- VP Report: Nothing to report at this time.
- Secretary's Report:
 - Please make Jen aware of any rep or coaching changes for the upcoming season.
 - Reps are asked to review the **Team Rep Informational Handbook** for changes or additions needing to be made for next season.
- Registrar Report: Michele Zurawel will be the Registrar for the upcoming season, and Caryn Johnson will be working with her to learn this process. The following info should be noted for the upcoming season:
 - USA Hockey playing season dates are September 1st through August 31st of each year.
 - Online registration for the 2013-2014 season opened April 1, 2013.
 - Players and coaches can register online at www.usahockey.com. Then click on the "register online" button.
 - Any new member who registers on or after April 1st is eligible for participation from the date of registering through August 31st, 2014.
 - USA hockey fee for registering is \$40 for all players and coaches, and the NYSAHA fee is \$3 for a total of \$43.
 - Reps must send USA Hockey registration confirmation numbers to Michele as soon as they have them (mzurawel@stny.rr.com). She can be reached at 798-8274.
- Reports from Members at Large: Nothing at this time.

6. Old Business:

A. Money Owed Central Section: Outcome of Hearing:

- The decision that was made by NYSAHA will be shared with Vestal. The league as a whole will not be responsible for any fees owed by Vestal as a result of any decision made by NYSAHA.

7. New Business:

A. Seton Presentation: Tabled

B. BOD Positions:

- **Executive VP:** Bill Mizera. Bill will also continue on as the league statistician. Bill is looking into an easier webpage that will allow stats to be uploaded in a more efficient manner.
- **Treasurer:** Fritz Hust
- **Members at Large:**
 - Melanie Wagner: Banquet
 - Caryn Johnson: ACE Coordinator, assisting Registrar

C. NYSAHA Conference Update: included in President's Message.

D. Schedule for Next Season:

- Continuing with the league game/Sens game combo was discussed. Reps felt that the lack of showers was an issue, and the time between games did not allow for players to go home and shower before the Sens game. If the same game times are used, reps do not want to continue with this next season.
- The 3:30 pm and 9:30 pm practice times were discussed. Ann explained that if the league gives up the 9:30 times, the league will lose a significant amount of ice.
- Discussion regarding the scheduling of games on Super Bowl Sunday took place.
- If teams are planning to have extra practices, the dates/times must be turned into Ann ASAP so she can try to work the schedule around them.

E. 2nd By-Law Vote:

- At the April meeting, a motion was made by Jay Levine that an addition be made to the By-Laws to read: **"Unless previously an eligible and age-appropriate team player or a new player affiliated with the school, a player may not skate with a team in any pre-draft tryout or practice."** This motion was 2nd and passed.
- This was read aloud and 2nd vote was conducted. Vote: Yes-6, No-0, Abstain-0 (**Motion Passed**)
- This By-Law addition will be written under Section VII-6B at the end of the 2nd paragraph.

F. 2 VS 3 Ref System:

- A motion was made to go to a 3 ref system next season by Brent Dyer, 2nd by Brian Nestlerode. Vote: Yes: 6, No-0, Abstain-0 (**Motion Passed**)
- Anthony spoke to Fran Bealo. Fran indicated that the Official's Organization has enough officials to support this system for most games.

G. Penalty Minutes

- The stats for last season's penalty minutes were reviewed and discussed.
- Speaking with the officials next season about what appears to be "soft" game misconducts was discussed.

H. By-Law Changes

- Reps are asked to read through the By-Laws for changes. Please look for additions that need to be made or By-Laws that are not clarified.

I. Misc:

- Ann would like to hold a skate for 8th graders in September.

8. Next Meeting Date and Time: August 5th @ 7pm, **Brother's II. (BOD will meet at 6pm)**

9. Special Topics: None

10. Motion to Adjourn: A motion to adjourn was made and passed.