

August 11, 2010 Elmira Jackals Youth Hockey Board Meeting Minutes

6:00 PM Todd Brost, President calls meeting to order

Present: Todd Brost (President) Rick Janowsky (Vice President), Mark Callahan (Secretary), , Renee Davis (Registrar), Jere Robinson (Public Relations/Web), Michelle Fabian (Equipment Manager), Scott Merrick (Snowbelt Rep.), Adam Gee (Legal Counsel), Mike Dimon (Head of Coaches), Dan Sincock (Treasurer)

Absent: Kyle Krawczyk (Travel Rep.), Katie Lowe (Scheduler), Michelle Sullivan (Fund Raising)

I. Introduction and Public Meeting:

- i. July's meeting minutes were approved via on-line majority.
- ii. There were no follow up actions from July's meeting.
- iii. September Sectional Meeting – Rick Janowsky and Scott Merrick volunteered to attend the sectional meeting.
- iv. Dustin Smith Rec. Rink Manager - Has started arranging ice times for the Rec. Rink times will be kept in a book kept at the arena.
 - a. Renee Davis to e-mail a registration form to Dustin to insure there are registration forms at the desk.
 - b. Rink to enforce chin straps helmet buckles, and overall helmet safety.

II. BOD Meeting

- i. **Team Tryouts** – The Board has decided tryout ice times will only be provided for the age divisions which require tryouts (Mites and Squirts). Other age divisions which do not require tryouts will not be provided a similar time.
 - a. Tryout times for Mites and Squirts have been posted on the website.
 - b. Mike Dimon to arrange with Elmira College to have college hockey players as objective evaluators for Mite and Squirt tryouts.
- ii. **Recreation program** – Rick Janowsky brought forward a conceptual proposal to start a recreational hockey program with in the organization. Initial thoughts would be to have a once a week slot for players Pee Wee age and up to either start playing or continue playing when other priorities prevent dedicated full season participation. There are a lot of details to consider prior to implementation. Initial thoughts included a 20-24 week season. Discussion will continue at the September meeting.
- iii. **Mite House - Mite C** - The Board of Directors recognizes the New York State Amateur Hockey Association (NYSAHA) mandate to move all 8U to cross ice only by 2012-13. In order to transition to compliance the board will need a plan

- which allows current full ice players to finish their development as Mites and reset the program and expectation for future players.
- a. Mike Dimon, Mark Callahan, Todd Brost and Katie Lowe volunteered to meet prior to the September Board Meeting to create the design for this years Mite House and second tier travel program.
 - b. The above mentioned meeting does not include Mite B (1st tier) travel team which will continue in a similar manner to previous years.
 - c. Findings will be reported at the September Board Meeting.
- iv. **Squirt Snowbelt** – The current thought at Snowbelt is most organizations with multiple teams, tier their teams versus having two equal teams. This allows players to play at a competition level consistent with their current development level. The EJYH Board believes it is best to be consistent with this philosophy and will be entering one team each in the Red and Blue divisions.
- v. **Registration** – Renee Davis, the links and process for on-line registration are in place. Anyone wishing to pay with a credit card will need a Pay Pal account to use.
- a. Early registration at last years' prices ends September 1st.
 - b. November 1st is the deadline for full payment.
 - c. Any player whose registration fee is not paid in full by November 1st will be removed from the roster, no exceptions.
- vi. **Treasurer** – Dan Sincock, no new items for the board
- vii. **Legal** – Adam Gee, the 1st meeting after nationals meeting (May) is when the Board of Directors re-election cycle is considered. Adam will develop a re-election schedule going forward and provide a proposal at a future board meeting.
- viii. **Equipment** – Michelle Fabian, given the OK to order house & IP jerseys at last years levels. Since the organization does not provide socks it was suggested Michelle talk to local vendor(s) such as Kingsbury's to insure some one carries a stock of socks in the organizations colors.
- ix. **Snowbelt** – Scott Merrick, next Snowbelt meeting was scheduled for the week of Aug 20th. Scott to put in the applications for a Squirt red & blue team, two Midget and one Bantam teams.
- x. **Public Relations & IT** – Jere Robinson, will have flyers ready for the first week of school.
- xi. No other items brought forward – meeting adjourned.
- xii. **Next Meeting – Wednesday September 8th, 6 p.m. at the First Arena**