

UVHA BOARD MEETING –August 4th, 2008

PENDING BOARD APPROVAL

In attendance: Jim, Heather, Brendan, Ernie, Julie, Bruce, John and Neil, Mike Herron, Meg & Charlie Parker, Brad and Karen Whitaker, Todd Bebeau, Loren Cameron and Carol Devins

Meeting called to Order 6:31pm

Bruce made motion to approve previous meetings minutes, Ernie seconded, vote was passed unanimously

Logo was picked, Brendan made a motion to accept, Heather seconded and vote was passed unanimously.

Committee Updates:

Bylaws: need to meet

P&P: Board has until 8/8 to turn in questions and possible revision statements to Heather

Fundraising: Don't forget MILLION-DOLLAR PENNY DRIVE and September 21, 2008 golf tourney at Neil's house being worked on. More to come next meeting.

Registration: No new registrations

Ice: Motion made to accept Pre- Season Contract, seconded and approved unanimously. Discussion about March Madness Tourney 13, 14, 15th, Julie to see if ice is available.

Carol or Dawn to call retired Board Member regarding monies supposedly pledged by local businesses for Learn to Skate and Intro hockey programs at HYHA Supplemental Annual Meeting.

Uniforms ordered 175 sets, numbering 150 for now. Invoice to come

Budget reviewed, Motion made and seconded to set 08/09 prices for travel teams at last year rates with the addition of 32.00 made directly by each member to USA Hockey. Voted on and approved unanimously by the Board

VT Update: Carol read an email from Essex regarding the Girl's Proposal. UVHA still waiting for VT Board to meet w/ UVHA. UVHA formally requesting a special vote to accept UVHA girls into the Vermont program. A motion was made for such request to be given, seconded and unanimously approved by Board

Scholarship Asst. Form and Scholarship Fund Policy: Motion made to modify table as discussed and accept fund policy and form, seconded, voted on and approved unanimously by Board.

Update on petition request: two U12 players that petitioned to U14 were told by President due to the current U14 numbers being slotted at 17, that most likely their petitions would be denied. One U12 has indicated she will consider moving to PW

Assessment Committee: After several minutes of discussion, a motion was made and seconded to approve the Tryout Process with the following three addendums:

1. That Goalie Tryout criteria would be added to the Tryout Process
2. That a designated Board appointed Head Coach Candidate would be given a debriefing, discussion, question and answer period with the four evaluators for a period of roughly 10-15 minutes after each tryout for a given level.
3. That the Evaluators would alert the designated appointed Head Coach to any safety concerns being seen with a child trying out for a particular team without the skills needed to safely compete at a given level. The Coach will then defer to the Board and the Board will follow the UVHA P&P governing these situations.

UVHA legal work needs to be formed. Bruce to follow up with Jay Simms and report back next meeting

January 2-4, 2009 has been set aside at Campion for us to have the January Thaw. Three Levels.

Scott Peters has indicated that Head Referee Dick Bressette may be retiring soon. Steve Bird has indicated he may be interested in taking over, but discussion to follow whether Steve will volunteer his time or ask for a fee. Short discussion at this point followed by Board indicating that we more than likely would be willing to contribute to the fee requested, if any.

Regardless of where Teams end up in either NH or VT. NH needs our Tier requests for the Boys side by August 15, 2008. The following possible Tier placements were discussed and voted on by the Board

Mites: Tier 3
Squirts Tier 2 and Tier 5
PeeWee Tier 3 and Tier 5
Bantam Tier 3

More discussion followed regarding the possibility of Team placements in Vermont. Members present requested a Comprehensive writing plan to be sent to Vermont along with UVHA's vision and mission statement. It was noted by another member that we certainly did not "stack" our boy's teams last year at Squirt or Bantam level and VT should realize we are not putting Tournament Teams together by combining GLYHA and HYHA. Jim to discuss this further with Carol Devin's who had left by this time on Mon.

Motion to adjourn 10pm

Next meeting August 18, 2008