

Empire Amateur Hockey Conference
Meeting Notes

Empire Meeting: June 13, 2006

Members in attendance:

Jeff Chamberlain-Geneseo, Jeanne Barreca-RYH, Barbra Hess-Klee-WYH, Lisa Mekeel-Geneseo, Jim Young-PYH, Sean Grady-Tri Cty, Rick Abraham-WYH, LeAnne Johnston-Batavia, Tom Poelma-PYH

Call to order: 6:39 pm

Review of May Meeting Minutes (tabled because not enough reps showed to approve)

OFFICER REPORTS

Secretary- Barb Klee (Webster)

Nothing to report

Treasurer-LeAnne Johnson (Batavia)

Reported May balance as of 5/11/06 was \$4,647.39

Paid out: Stanley's Party 262.80; Pizza parties for Mite B, PW A, Bant B, Midg A 200.00; AHA playdown 500.00; RYH playdown 2077.00; MCYH playdown 4712.00

Receipts are needed for pizza parties for the following: PW-B, SQ-A, & SQ-B

Reported June balance was \$2381.39

Paid out: Stamps to LeAnne, 3.90, Championship fee to RYH 4,427.00; Received monies from TYH and Tri-Cty, 3,165.00

Vice-President- Sean Grady (Tri-County)

Nothing to report

President- Jeff Chamberlain (Geneseo)

Putting together a list of penalty minutes, match penalty probation times for next meeting to record in the June meeting minutes: Dave LaPenna- need penalty minutes if any to complete list. Barb to send disciplinary hearing documents to Jeff via email.

If you don't want your personal information in the directory please let Jeff know.

OLD BUSINESS

Banner updates: Tabled for next month

EAHC Website and Referee Evaluations: Tabled for next month

RIHOA Website Reporting: Tabled for next month

Scoresheets: 1 change to scoresheet: to read Home team to send in scoresheet.

Coaching Certification (tabled from May):

Couple of emails received. We are not trying to change USA Hockey Rules. Jeff read USA book and it says we should have a policy in place. Discussion last month was what we are going to do about making sure coaches have proper coaching level. A good start for this year is to make coaches give copies and then if they are not at the appropriate level we will talk to the organizations for this year. Then next year hold them responsible if not at the level they need to be. Coaching cards should be carried by all coaches through the season. (This was just the discussion, not votes have been made on anything.) Tabled again for more discussions in July and a vote will be made at the next meeting.

Team Petitions:

Discussion was to change the rule book to include "Letter of Explanation" is required if you are going to have more "B" teams than "A's".

Tabled for July to discuss and vote to approve.

Rewording of 10 game rule:

Change wording to include "select teams"

Jeanne to re-word and send to Jeff for next meeting

Aggressive play policy:

Jeanne will look at HEP program for Midgets. Tabled for July meeting

Re-scheduling of league games (after schedule meeting)

If one team can't change the date and time of a scheduled game then the team that is trying to change has to play or forfeit. This is especially true if a coach is trying to back out to go to a tournament.

Jeff to add another line. Tabled for discussion and vote at July meeting

Team rosters for Midgets

Jeff to talk to John Sage to see what his concerns are. Tabled for July meeting

Fines procedure

Have commissioners notify President of the EAHC and President will fill out a 4 part form.

Copies will go to: President, Treasurer, Organization, & Commissioner. Jeff to make up a form to vote on at next meeting.

Guidelines for scheduling Mite, Bantam and Midget games:

Strong recommendations of when to schedule games for mite, bantams, and midgets.

Jeff to write guideline to present to board for July meeting

RULE CHANGES

List of items for review over the summer

The following were discussed at the May meeting: (tabled)

- Equal ice time:
Reading material was handed out to read for next meeting.
- Number of referees required for championship games:
Only 2 referees are needed (rule stays as is). Use RIHOA's for championship. Only add to rule that 2 referees are needed.
- Independent (impartial party) referees:
Rules and Reg's page 10 g,e,f
Jeff to email Nick to change per book
John Sage to check into this rule with registrar and Lake Placid.

Tabled for future meetings:

- Official Roster; stamping and signatures
- Bring Rep in from RIHOA to talk about issues (i.e. taking your team off the ice if you feel there is a safety issue).
- Add guidelines for what you can do if you need to walk off the ice during a game.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

This is what we have so far. This is not final yet.

Mite A: Canandaigua
Mite B: Shari Dolan
Squirt A: Mark Angelo
Squirt B: Roger Partridge
Peewee A: Roger Salmons (PYH)
Peewee B: John Sage (MCYH)
Bantam A: Tom Klee (WYH)
Bantam B: **OPEN Jeff to contact for a name)**
Midget A: Jeanne Barreca (RYH)
Midget B: Dave LaPenna (TCYH)

NEW BUSINESS

Updates to Conference Directory: coming along see below to verify

Fees per team review or possible beginner funding program:

Team fee's are currently at \$80.00 per team.

Discussion was made about team fees whether it should change. We discussed about dressing up our championship games. Spend more money to make it attractive (fog lights at beginning of game). Leave the fees as they are. Non-profit status and lawyer fee will be a cost.

Tabled for future discussions.

Tentative calendar for next season and meetings:

5/9/06	meeting
6/13/06	meeting
7/11/06	meeting
8/8/06	meeting
9/12/06	Preliminary team counts due
10/3/06	Pre scheduling meeting; Final team counts due
10/10/06	Scheduling meeting
10/25/06	Start of season
11/14/06	meeting
12/12/06	meeting
12/31/06	Stamped team rosters are due
12/31/06	All head coaches must be certified at proper coaching level.
1/9/07	Copies of official rosters due to commissioners
1/9/07	meeting
2/13/07	meeting
2/19/07	End of season
2/20/07	Start of Playdowns
3/1/07	End of Playdowns
3/3-3/4/07	Championship Finals
3/13/07	meeting
4/10/07	meeting

Organization Reps 2006-2007 season:

Representative:	Alternates:
Rick Abraham: Webster	Tom Klee
Mike Reich: Batavia	?
Tim Eddinger: Canandaigua	?
Scott Carley: MCYH	John Sage
Tom Poelma: Perinton	Jim Young
OPEN: Lisa Meekel: Geneseo	Steve Pullyblank
OPEN: Steve Langdon: RYH	Jeanne Barreca
OPEN: Dave LaPenna: Tri-Cty	Sean Grady

Please review: Let Jeff know if any of this information is incorrect.

ADJOURN 7:52 PM

Motion was made by: President adjourned the meeting

Respectfully submitted by Barbra Hess-Klee