

**IYHA Board Meeting
4/23/03
Minutes by Marsha Emerson**

In Attendance (Board Members): Marsha Emerson, Bob Kump, Terry Fisk, Pat Musa, Bill Troy, Wayne Stokes, Sharon Kasel, Jessie Emerson, Jess Esposito.

Association Members present were: Chris Grippin, Pam Hanna, Diana Kennedy, Beau Baylor, John Golay, Beth Farr.

- Moved to have the minutes of the 4/2/03 board meeting approved. All in favor.
- Schedulers Report: Nothing new to report.
- Treasurers Report: Jess handed out an updated report. Financial transactions for 2002-03 are in deficit by approximately \$7,000.00. The deficit caused by extra ice time (mainly after regular season), extra tournament reimbursements, and excess costs of the Recreation League over fees. Next year need to factor in extra ice costs to avoid a repeat.
- Board Vacancies: There will be 5 vacancies. Sharon needs to be re-elected for remainder of term. Jess will not re-run. Sharon has 1 more year left on her term. Bill and Wayne have expressed interest to run for another term. Jessies vacant position is a 3 year term. A list of potential candidates for open positions, based on discussion includes: Matt Cicchetti, Marty Conlon (snowbelt), Greg Menzenski, Steve Yale-Loehr, Barb Belyea, Louise Watson, Chris Grippin, Chris Watkins, Matt Thompson, John Golay, Susan Doney, Dave Feeney. A ballot with a recommended slate of candidates will be compiled for the May meeting. Chris Grippin will put board member terms on the website.
- Responses to Proposals: Total of 15 responses.
- Tournaments/Sectionals/JAM Overall consensus agreed to 1 year- end league tournament in budget. Any other tournament the team is responsible for cost.
- House Program Overall feedback was very positive. Would like to eliminate early ice slots. Pat will email squirt families (current squirts/older mites) regarding preference for squirt house or squirt snowbelt for next year.

- Practice Ice Mixed bag of responses. Want more ice time, but sensitive to cost. Best way to accomplish is shared ice. Sharon put together a schedule of ice times for Bob. Many teams will face the issue of only 1 goalie next year. Bob will send out another email with different ideas on shared ice to see what the coaches and association thinks. Should have a meeting with all coaches to get their ideas/feelings on shared ice.
- Goalies There was no consensus on offering reduced registration fees to goalies. Possibility of association using scholarship money to entice goalies was discussed. Another suggestion was for the association to provide equipment.
- Jerseys A third of the responses were okay with the proposal, and a third said jerseys should be replaced over a period of years. The idea of getting corporate sponsors was not favored. The feeling was that the community is asked too much. Should put money in the budget for new jerseys. Consensus is that we should use the same jersey across the association. Bill and Terry will take inventory of the jerseys in storage to see what condition they are in.
- New Business:
- Audit Jess will give Bob information for audit.
- Set Date for Annual Meeting Thursday, May 29, 2003 at 7:00 pm at Boynton. Bill will check with Boynton to confirm cafeteria is available.
- IYHA will not put in a bid to host a Sectional Tournament next year. The Board will explore hosting a JAM tournament next year.
- Voter Delegation Form Jessie gave form with signatures to Bob to submit.
- The Board approved a reduced amount of \$200.00 be allocated to the Bantam Travel team in recognition of the effort involved in hosting 2 financially successful tournaments, and to help offset the costs of travel for non-parent coaches. It was noted this was not to be precedent for the future.
- Registration (early summer) Will form a committee in June with a board member to take the lead. Pre-registration on-line in mid-July or August with a \$100.00 deposit for returning players, and another registration in September for new players.
- Timing of Selecting UNYHL Coaches The Board discussed and confirmed the need to continue the selection after travel tryouts.

- Next Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 29, 2003 at 7:00 pm at Boynton Middle School.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Addendum: Two additional board positions (Bob Kump and Pat Musa) are open, and will be included in the proposed slate of candidates presented on May 29, 2003.