

IYHA Board Meeting  
7/9/03  
Minutes by Susan Doney

In Attendance (Board Members): Marsha Emerson, Terry Fisk, Sharon Kasel, Bill Troy, Matt Cicchetti, Louise Watson, Susan Doney, Tim Cretney. Not Present: Wayne Stokes.

Association Members present were: Brian Belyea, Pat Musa.

- Moved to have the minutes of the 5/29/03 board meeting and the 6/18/03 board meeting approved (noting the wording regarding goalie registration incentives in the 5/29/03 minutes stand correct as written). All in favor.
- Summer Skate Update: Squirts currently have 16 registered to date. PeeWees currently have 8 registered to date, and expect more will pay at the door. Also received verbal commitments. Bantams currently have 23 registered to date. There will not be a prorated option for participants in the summer skate program. Only IYHA players can participate, as it is part of the IYHA program.
- Fundraising and Marketing Report: Walter Hang, who has agreed to help IYHA with marketing and fundraising efforts, was not able to attend the board meeting. However, there are two mediums the Board may want to consider for advertising: cable advertisements and paper communications and newspaper ads. Walter has been working on a letter outlining IYHA's 501 (3)(C) status, and highlighting IYHA's first year alumni. Bill Troy is willing to help Walter in this effort.
- Golf Tournament Update: Bill Troy discussed the possibility of organizing a golf tournament in September as a fundraiser for IYHA. Tentatively the tournament would be on September 13, 2003 at the Trumansburg Golf Course. The golf tourney would also feature a chicken barbeque. The cost of the event is still to be determined. Bill will proceed with compiling a draft proposal of the tournament to present to the Board.
- IYHA Contribution to the Mike Tallman Fund: The Board moved to approve making a contribution of \$100.00 to the Mike Tallman Fund. All in favor. Also moved to have a line on the registration form for those wanting to make a contribution to the Mike Tallman Fund.
- Reimbursement of Coaches Expenses: IYHA policy book states that reimbursements may be considered for coaches who do not have a child in IYHA. It was recommended that this policy should be clearly stated on the registration materials at registration. It was suggested that we review

this policy for next year. Wayne Stokes, VP for Travel will communicate this information to the travel coaches.

- **Tournament Update:** It was determined that IYHA would proceed with coordinating tournaments in the same format that it has done in the past. Tournament entry fees will be \$575.00 - \$625.00 per team. A \$150.00 deposit will be requested. Rooms have been held at the Ramada Inn and the Clarion for the Thanksgiving Weekend UNYHL Tournament 11/28/03 and 11/29/03. Bill Troy will follow up with Jim Walker and Eileen to get the go ahead to advertise the tourney. Also, Sharon Kasel noted that there is a new procedure for acquiring the ice time for tournaments. A waiver needs to be signed by all groups who would otherwise be using the ice during these time slots. Susan Doney will be responsible for getting the waivers signed. Exhibition Weekend is scheduled for February 8, 2004 and February 9, 2004.
- **Recreation League:** Joe Sullivan will be heading up the recreation league effort.
- **Ice Time Committee Report:** Proposed teams are as follows:
  - Midget: 1 travel, 1-2 snowbelt teams
  - Bantam: 1 travel, 1 UNYHL, 1-2 snowbelt teams
  - PeeWee: 1 travel, 1 UNYHL, 1-2 snowbelt teams
  - Squirt: 1 travel, 1 UNYHL, 1 taxi (if needed), 1-2 house teams
  - Mite: 1 travel, 2 house teams
  - Initiation: 2 groups
- **Treasurers Report:** Tim Cretney passed out a spreadsheet with preliminary budget figures. Will work to keep registration costs as low as possible, but still be relatively inclusive of additional costs, i.e. tournament entrants fees. Referee fees should be the same this year per Brian Belyea. Two tournaments will be included in the registration costs (one year-end and one choice). Tim will meet with Bob Kump to go over budget.
- **Jerseys:** It was stated that IYHA is in need of replacing many sets of jerseys. Approximately 12 sets of new jerseys would cover the associations need. Proceeds from the golf tournament may be an option for covering this expense.
- **NYSHA:** Pre-sectionals will happen for the travel teams in some shape or form. Travel teams will need to budget for two tournaments.
- **Registration:** Louise Watson hoped to have the pre-registration letter out by July 18, 2003, with pre-registration by July 31, 2003. Registration is

scheduled for Sunday, September 7, 2003. Travel tryouts will begin the week of September 8, 2003. Sharon Kasel and Matt Cicchetti will meet with the Youth Bureau Board on Cass Park ice options.

- Mite Program: Louise handed out a proposal from Chris Grippin on restructuring the Mite program. Matt Cicchetti, VP for House will respond to Chris.
- Referees: Brian Belyea reminded the Board that there are new NYSHA rules, i.e. no delayed offsides, five second change up/drop, and that all levels from Squirt and below need to use the new blue pucks for games (lighter pucks). Brian suggested that all the coaches meet to talk about new rules. He offered to conduct this meeting.
- Next Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 13, 2003 at 6:00 pm at The Rink.
- Meeting adjourned at 9:42 pm.