



Valley Youth Hockey Association
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Minutes November 2014 Board of Directors Meeting

*Tuesday, November 4,, 2014 @ 7:00 P.M.
Berglund Center; Staff Conference Room; Roanoke, VA*

Members Present: S. Boylan; S. Brandtner; N. Devlin; S. Esworthy; J. Fuller; K. Gilkeson; R. Grant; P. Haskins;
K. Jensen; C. Kenney; J. Pollard; TJ Smithson

Members Not Present: T. Ellexson; R. Howard; R. Travis

Meeting Called to Order at 7:02pm

I. Approval of Board Minutes September) – S. Esworthy

Approved with no changes. Motion – C. Kenney. 2nd – K. Jensen.
Motion passed unanimously in the affirmative.

II. Treasurer's Report (September) – S. Boylan

Treasurer's report was offered by Treasurer and reviewed by Board of Directors.

III. Committee Reports

Hockey Development

- No report

Hockey Operations

- 217 member registered prior to LTP2 (175 players; 35 coaches; 7 volunteers)
- LTP – 56; Mites – 27; Squirts – 22; Pee wee – 27; Bantam – 26; Midget - 26

Long Range Planning

- No report

Finance/Fundraising

- No report

Marketing/Outreach

- No report

IV. Old Business - None

V. New Business

Board Vacancy

- B. Caldwell resigned her seat on the VYHA Board of Directors at the August Meeting.
- Neil Devlin was nominated to fill the unexpired term vacated by B. Caldwell. Term expires in April 2015.

Coach Certification

- An on-going concern has been brought to the Board regarding a coach at the bantam/midget level who continues to be on the ice and behind the bench at Upper House League games with an expired USA Hockey CEP status.
- The VYHA Board reiterated its long-standing position that this coach should not be allowed to participate in VYHA activities until his certification is current.
- VYHA President Jason Pollard will communicate this to this coach through the bantam and midget age group coordinators or through direct means.



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Learn to Skate

- Crerar Grant request has been received and proposal accepted. Grant will be for \$2440 to cover ice time and equipment purchase necessary to conduct program.
- R. Grant & J. Pollard have met with RCC staff to ice times, ice fees, and use of rental skates.
- Program will serve approximately 20 children. Participants will be bussed from Fairview Elementary School.
- Rich Grant has a few details to work out with the RCC staff and the program will likely begin the first week of December.

Skate-a-thon / Raffle

- The VYHA Board heard a report on the status of the proposed Skate-a-thon / Raffle fundraiser planned for this fall / winter.
- The overall sense of the Board was that additional detail was needed for the Board to be able to support this fundraiser. Primary concern was related to the amount of money that potentially could need to be accounted for and concerns regarding the chain of custody of the money and the raffle tickets.
- VYHA Board asked the Finance & Fundraising Committee to study more closely the details of a raffle recognizing that a raffle may not be feasible for this year.
- VYHA Board asked the Finance & Fundraising to consider a Skate-a-thon only model for this year.
- Report on the progress of the committee will be expected at the next VYHA Board of Directors Meeting.

City of Roanoke Christmas Parade

- Significant discussion regarding VYHA's participation in the City of Roanoke Christmas Parade was heard. Safety of the youth participants in the time leading up to the start of the parade was a primary area of concern given the disorganized nature of the parade staging area.
- The sense of the Board was to discontinue participation in this event given our inability to guarantee the safety of our participants.

Motion to adjourn by P. Haskins; Second – J. Fuller. Motion passed unanimously in the affirmative.
Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm by J. Pollard.

*The December **Board of Directors Planning Meeting** will be held at the
Berglund Center; Staff Conference Room
Next Meeting Date: **December 9, 2014 @ 7:00pm***