

Valley Youth Hockey Association

Board Meeting September 2010

Place: Roanoke Civic Center Board Room

Members Present: Rodney Ferguson; Greg Staples; Sharon Mouglin; Dick Sher; Richard Cornett; Steve Esworthy; Ken Jensen; Becky Caldwell; Missy Roberts; Tom Gallagher; Robyn Goodman; Terri Skelton; Rick Kelley

President Rodney F. called the meeting to order at 6:35pm.

Minutes:

Motion made by Missy R. to accept minutes, 2nd by Richard C. to approve August minutes. Minutes approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Motion made by Steve E. to accept Treasurer report, 2nd by Missy R. Report approved.

Richard made mention of a check card for the organization. He went to the bank and obtained information. This came about due to a dollar limit to be pulled off our PayPal account and deposited into the bank account.

Greg S. made a motion to apply for the check card for the Go Daddy (website) and PayPal accounts with the statement being brought before the Board for approval. 2nd by Richard. Unanimous approval.

General Business:

Committee Reports:

Finance:

See attached

Long Range:

Nothing to report at this time

Marketing:

On-line payments are being adjusted. Only choices were \$450 for players, LTP and LTP with equipment. Option to do monthly payments at \$100 increments will be set up on the registration page. Store is separate from registration so two emails will be sent – one when player registers and one when a purchase is made.

Yard signs have been up and around Roanoke. There are five (5) billboards. Suggestion was made to have a table during the public skating and VA Tech home hockey games.

Dick S. made a request for coaches' roster to update the website. Rodney will provide by Thursday 9/9/10.

Hockey Operations:

As of 9/7/10 there are 33 players and 4 coaches registered. Practice schedule for two months (September/October) is out.

Hockey Development:

Nothing to report at this time.

Old Business:

Roanoke Civic Center:

There may be additional ice time available.

CHL:

Rodney F. reported there are 96 teams fielded in the CHL. Lynchburg came in but with not enough players. It was suggested Lynchburg and Roanoke team up. As of this meeting Lynchburg has not responded to Rodney.

Roanoke Valley Ice Advocates:

Rick K. presented that David Shinault has been working diligently to get ice skates donated to the Roanoke Civic Center for use during public skating session. He has collected about 65 pairs of skates in a variety of sizes. The Civic Center will need to manage the storage of these (shelving/cabinet
Stick and Puck will be on Friday evenings, cost is \$10 per skater, and goalies are free. The first session is 9/17. This information is on the VYHA website.

Learn To Play:

Steve E. and Dick S. presented the program is on track. They have 32 sets of equipment. They will have an off ice meeting 9/20 at 6 pm at the RCC.

High School Hockey:

Tom G. presented that there will tryouts on 9/25. The plan is to accommodate the U18 players who are capable of playing at this level.

New Business:

Parent Meeting:

Rodney F. presented that these will be done on 9/20 and 9/23 during the first week of regular practice sessions at the RCC.

Other:

Becky C. presented that Becky Freemal from Fox Network will be at the RCC 9/27 at 5:00 pm to do off- ice interviews and then the show on the ice with players/coaches.

Coaches Committee:

Tom G. presented that there have been 4 meetings and the coaches have worked very hard to come up with a plan for this year to accommodate the most player's possible. There will be tryouts for travel and high school hockey as well as players who are interested in "playing up". Dick reports that some of the Rusty Blades can help with this process as they did last year.

Registration:

Rodney F. requested names of those who would be available for the sessions 9/9 and 9/11. Less people available for Saturday 9/11 session.

Meeting Schedule:

Rodney F. presented the next board meetings will be 10/12; 11/2 and 12/7.

Organization Representation:

Rodney F. clarified that as President of VYHA he is a member of each committee and needs to be notified of any meeting dates/times planned so that he can try to attend.

Other:

Rodney F. opened the floor for discussion about Bantam level issues as well as lack of players and loss of players to other organizations. There was much discussion about this and was suggested that this be a priority issue for the Long Term Planning Committee.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 pm was made by Steve E., 2nd by Dick S, unanimous approval.

Next Meeting: October 12, 2010 at 6:30 pm at the Roanoke Civic Center