

Eugene Jr. Generals

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JULY MINUTES

Board of Directors Meeting

The Rink Exchange

Tuesday, July 2nd, 2019

1. PRESENT: Joy, Jenn, Sarah, Dan, Joel, Toshia, Mike, Kara, Lanae
ABSENT: Mara, Flint
2. CALL TO ORDER: 6:30pm
3. MEETING MINUTES: Approval of June minutes and May financials -- Motion to approve by Sarah, seconded by Jenn. All in favour.
4. REPORTS:
 - a. President: (Joy) Jerseys and socks have been pre-ordered for the season. Home and away socks and jerseys for 10U and up (assuming costs stay within budget), and navy jerseys and socks only for 8U. All of the new coaching and off-ice training equipment has arrived. LAHA office has been cleaned out and is actually a functional space again. Old player and registration records have been properly disposed of (shredded). Updates from the other associations: Bend — New president, Jim Boss, No Tier II program. Holding tryouts for select teams at 12U, 14U, 18U. They will have A and B teams for these three age divisions. Portland — New governance, under Winterhawks organization now. Offering travel/tiered hockey at 12U and up. 12U and 14U Tier II, 18U Tier I and Tier II. House teams at all ages. Medford — Appointed president was elected into office, Matt Dybala. Offering house teams at all age levels. Holding tryouts for who makes the rec travel teams at each age level. Klamath — Offering house teams at 12U, 14U and 18U. 14U team may collapse if they lose more players at that age division.
 - b. Treasurer: (Dan) See Dan's emailed reports. \$900 ice credit going into 2019/2020 season from February, 2019. Dan change shredding into another category besides postage (misc., office).
 - c. Registrar: (Sarah) Who receives the emailed requests from our website? Joy to check who registration questions go to. Jenn received two inquiries about registration. Jenn to forward inquiries to Joy. Registration tentatively scheduled to open Friday, July 12th pending successful final testing of new system. Payments will begin in August for those on the payment plan. Coaches and volunteers will also need to register in the new system so they can be assigned roles for teams and other volunteer positions.
 - d. Committees:
 - i. Coaches Committee: Preseason coaches meeting August 26th @ 6:30pm.

Possible training event in October when USAH people are in town (see Flint for details). Monthly coaching meetings to include peer-to-peer mentoring, mindshare topics on common issues, etc. Looking to schedule meetings offsite away from the rink.

- ii. Discipline Committee: nothing to report
- iii. SafeSport: New SafeSport policies: *All adults with regular contact with or authority over minor participants must complete SafeSport Training prior to the volunteer's having regular access to minors.
 - *All players 17 years of age or older on or before December 31 of that playing season, and who play on a team in a classification that allows minor-age players, must complete SafeSport Training before being added to such team and prior to participation (on-ice or off-ice)
 - *All staff are mandatory reporters.
 - *Minor Athlete Abuse Protection Policies (MAAPP)- prohibits one-on-one interaction between adult members of USA Hockey or those authorized by a USA Hockey program to have regular contact with or authority over minors, unless they occur at an observable and interruptible distance by another adult.
 - *Proper supervision of locker rooms is one of the most important means of preventing misconduct.
 - *All electronic communication from an adult member of USA Hockey to a minor participant must be professional in nature. Absent emergency circumstances, if an adult member needs to communicate directly with a minor via electronic communications (including social media), the minor's parent must be copied.
 - *Coaches may not ride in a vehicle alone, travel alone with or share a hotel or sleeping arrangement with an unrelated minor participant.
- Sarah to make list of participants who need to renew safesport for the 2019/2020.
Kara check if participants need to be renewed by July 12th?
- iv. Marketing/Website Committee: Preseason advertising to include a mix of lawn signs, Facebook ads, radio ads, print ads, dasher boards (we get 6 to work with), fliers for schools, electronic flier. Sarah to gather info about Eugene parade Sept. 22nd. Need to register by August 16th to participate. Cost is \$35. New brochures are in print. New building sign approved to order for outside the rink.
- v. Fundraising: New items added to Squadlocker -- lots of new styles, colors, price points.
- vi. Communications: (Lanae) Newsletter went out in June. Next newsletter to feature goalies. Joy suggests profiles of coaches who went to WRHPC. Acknowledge the academic accomplishments of players.
- vii. Ice Cup: Welcome Mara McManus as new Committee Chair of Ice Cup. Mike to officially register Ice Cup through USA Hockey.
- viii. CIC Report: no report. Flint is absent.
- e. Team Reports: (will start in October)

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. 18U Next Steps - (Joy) Saturday, August 17th 7:45am-6:30pm (est). \$65 non-refundable. Evaluators will not have kids trying out so there is no bias. Try to get one evaluator from outside of the area. On-ice coaches should be non-18U coaches, again for impartiality.

Suggestion from Sarah on parent/player contract to include language regarding payment, expectations etc. Can we borrow numbered jerseys from The Rink Exchange? We would need roughly 30 jerseys, 2 sets. Wednesday, August 21st to let players know if they made team, deadline to accept August 28th. Players who cannot attend tryout to register and show up to first practice where they will participate in an alternate practice/tryout. They will be eligible for any remaining openings on the team. If there are openings and if offers are made, the deadline for commitment is September 8th. Find out when players who will miss tryouts come back from prior commitments. Which Oregon teams have 18U?

- b. LAHA Guidebook - (Jenn/Joy) Edits have been made. Board members to review and vote to approve final document by Tuesday, July 9th.
- c. Skills Clinics - (Joy) 5 sessions (1x/month) October through February. 12U and older. 90-minute sessions with focused instruction for the different skill levels. Series to include these topics: Skating, Puck Control/Passing, Shooting/Scoring, Body Contact/Angling, Agility/Speed. Bonus session on offseason workouts and nutrition. \$200 per player for registration of the whole series. \$50/player drop-in fee per session.
- d. Girls Ice - (Joy) budgeted for two ice sessions, will look to add a third session with funds from a Bobby Freeland grant (pending approval of application). Happening in November, January, March. Promotions- partner with Girl Scouts, and advertise on Facebook, community calendars, etc.
- e. Team Lockers - (Joy) Finalization date August 13th for putting materials into assigned lockers and labeling contents.
- f. Spring Hockey Planning - (Jenn) Still in process.
- g. KidSports - (Dan) Approached Kidsports but could not contact Bev Smith. Dan to go back and see if any interest is there.
- h. Charitable Activities filing from 2018 - (Jenn) Completed
- i. Ref Costs - Upcoming season fees. Still in process.
- j. Coaching assignment review (discuss in executive session)

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. WRHP Camp Reports/Feedback - (Joy) Girls camp went well, could have used more off-ice training. Oregon girls understood gameplay but lacked speed in game situations. Boys camp much more familiar with small-area games and dryland training than previous year.
- b. Preseason Family Meeting - (Joy) Wednesday, Aug 28th at 6:30pm at The Rink Exchange for all ages. Offer second meeting later in September for 8U families.
- c. Gear Swap/Registration Day/BBQ - (Joy) Saturday, August 24th from 12-2pm @ The Rink Exchange (Planet Hockey on the ice that day). Run the same as last year.
- d. Photo Night - (Joy) Monday, Oct. 21st. Joy to reach out to Lifetouch for scheduling.
- e. Comment Box - (Joy) LAHA has a comment box in the office but it is locked. Kevin to pick lock. Place in Lobby for during the season.
- f. Player Safety - (Dan) See handout from WRHPC.

The Officers met in Executive Session.

Meeting adjourned: 9:36pm

Next OSHA Meeting:

Next LAHA Meeting:

July 7 Teleconference
August 10 (schedulers only) in Portland

August 6th, 6:30 pm at The Rink Exchange