

Meeting notes/minutes from Randolph Recreation Youth Hockey Club Meeting

Meeting Date: Thursday May 7, 2015

Start Time: 6:30 PM

Location: Conference Rm @ Randolph Recreation/ Senior Center – 30 Calais Road Randolph, NJ

Organizer: Randolph Ice Hockey Committee

Subject: Randolph Recreation Youth Hockey Club Meeting – ***Pre-Season Preparation 2015-16***

The RYHC Executive Board opened the meeting with a list of agenda items they wanted to review/discuss openly with committee representatives and coaches.

- Nomination & **ELECTIONS** for Randolph Youth Hockey Executive Committee Board
- Finance / **TREASURERS** Report
- Plan for participation in **LEAGUES** – MCYHL, Twin Oaks, Aspen Ice Middle School League
- **COACHING** assignments for 2015-16
- Important **ADMINISTRATIVE** assignments requiring a leader for 2015-16 coverage
- In the interest of time, all other “*new business*” will be held for discussion at June meeting

RYHC Executive Board ELECTIONS:

Alex Krynicki was nominated for President. The Vice President, Treasurer, & Secretary opted to run again for their current seat on the board. There were no opposing candidates for any board position and a vote was taken. All board positions were voted on and the election results will put the following board members in place for the 2015-2016 hockey season:

President - Alex Krynicki
Vice President - Larry Mueller
Treasurer - Brian DesRosiers
Secretary - Shaun Cross

Finance / TREASURERS Report:

Brian DesRosiers reported that he is waiting on a report of the financial ledgers from the Randolph Recreation Department for the Town Account for Ice Hockey and Anne Standridge for the Randolph Recreation Ice Hockey Boosters Account.

Jeanne Montemarano – Associate Director of Randolph Parks & Recreation stopped by and joined the meeting. Jeanne provided the RYHC an update on the current budget = \$85,000 and a ledger report identifying YTD spending for the Ice Hockey program. According to Jeanne’s accounting records the Ice Hockey program has spent \$14,765.61 of the \$85k budget for 2015. Shaun Cross

questioned the charges and Jeanne explained that invoices were recently paid for outstanding balances associated with this past season. Next Level Training (for the Mite team) - \$1000, Aspen Ice - \$9,215.61, and Floyd Hall - \$4550..... Shaun questioned what was paid to MCYHL because there had been a Mite team fee and practice ice fee that RYHC was disputing with MCYHL. Jeanne said that she believed that the MCYHL invoice had been paid in full and she would investigate. There was additional discussion on the financials and the concern that the program was starting the season with **\$14,765.61** already spent against the current year's budget. In prior seasons/budget years the Ice Hockey program would complete an end of year review of the financials and true up the accounts with the Recreation Department prior to the new calendar/budget year. Jeanne explained that a new controller and changes in the financial systems prevented this from occurring at the end of 2014. She also mentioned that the financial disputes with MCYHL had also complicated things however she believed the MCYHL invoice had eventually been paid in full.

Jeanne said she would review the Ice Hockey program financials from May 2014 thru May 2015 in order to provide a complete picture of the program expenditures this past season. Brian DesRosiers will set up a meeting with Jeanne to review the financials and determine exactly what invoices were paid out to the rinks, leagues, and other suppliers this past season.

LEAGUES – MCYHL, Twin Oaks, Aspen Ice Middle School League:

1. **MCYHL** – The RYHC committee members/coaches discussed plans to skate a Squirt, Pee Wee, and Bantam team in this league for the 2015-16 season.
 - a. The Mite team will either skate in the MCYHL or in the Twin Oaks league if Twin Oaks has boards to run half-ice games. Shaun Cross and/or Jason McGurk will follow up with Twin Oaks and find out if they have the boards.
 - b. MCYHL fees for 2015-16 will remain at the same rate as this past season. Mite team fee = \$6,250; Squirt team fee = \$6,400; Pee Wee team fee = \$7,900; Bantam team fee = \$8,000.....practice ice will be \$430/hr and allocated based on the number of teams we submit into the league.
2. **Twin Oaks** – The RYHC committee members/coaches discussed entering a Squirt team in the league again for the 2015-16 season. The coaches believed that they would have a good number of parents interested in continuing to participate in this league and have additional games for our Squirt players.
3. **Middle School** – The RYHC committee members/coaches discussed the following items associated with plans for the 2015-16 Randolph Recreation Middle School team:
 - a. **ALL** committee members/coaches are in favor of expanding participation and identifying 2 teams for entry into the Aspen Ice Middle School League.
 - b. 2015-16 fee structure is \$5,200 for 1 team or \$4,500 each if we enter 2 teams
 - c. Tryout skates are scheduled for May 17th & 18th at Mennen. Communications will be distributed via email, school announcements, and posted on the RYHC web site.

- d. OPEN discussion and vote was taken on the “recreation participation” rule that was amended last season to a one year participation requirement for new players to the Randolph Recreation program. The rule adopted in 2014 eliminated the former requirement of “recreation participation” every year for each player on the Randolph Recreation Middle School team. Last year’s amendment was a significant change from the prior policy requiring MS players to participate “every year” on the Pee Wee and Bantam recreation teams. The policy/rule change made in 2014 adopting a one year participation requirement was in an effort to make the Middle School team more accessible to everyone as well as help families that for whatever reason it was not feasible to participate on the recreation teams every year.....***After a full discussion and review of the policy a vote was taken and the RYHC committee members/coaches and Rec Dept representative decided to keep the current rule in place.*** Further discussion continued regarding the fact that the Randolph Recreation Ice Hockey Middle School team is open to ALL students/residents of Randolph who are Middle School aged children and there is no limitation or restriction preventing any player from trying out for this team.

COACHING assignments for 2015-16:

The RYHC has identified the following Head Coaches for the teams listed:

- Middle School – Rich Fuchs & Chip Michaels
- Bantams – Mike McNamara
- Pee Wee – Shaun Cross
- Squirt – Rob Magnotta
- Mite – Jason McGurk

Assistant Coaches have been determined at various levels and will be identified for all levels and included in future communications from the RYHC.

ADMINISTRATIVE assignments for 2015-16 coverage:

- TeamSnap – Larry Mueller will handle the TeamSnap Admin/Scheduling role
- USA Hockey Registrar – *Larry G is moving on so we need to fill this seat*
- Team Managers have been determined at various levels and will be identified for all levels and included in future communications from the RYHC

NEW BUSINESS

We saved “new business” for next meeting to be scheduled in June.