

CLINTON YOUTH HOCKEY  
MEETING MINUTES  
JULY 05,2005

Present: Bill Owens ,Jeff Wooldridge, Bob Shorey, Ken Grabeldinger ,Mark Hobaica,,  
Mike Yutzler, John Waters,Todd Jury,

Excused: Mark Harjung

Absent: John Lauchert, Tony Gurdo, Ian Anderson and Dave Barrett

Guest: Mike Perry

Meeting was called to order at 8:15 PM by President Shorey

Minutes from the June 2005 meeting as taken by Mike Yutzler were read by Jeff Wooldridge. Bob Shorey requested the minutes be amended to reflect the new registration and fundraising fees for the MIDGET WRAP team.

New Business:

To accommodate the various guests who came to speak to the issue of the Discipline Committees action concerning Ken Grabeldinger, the discussion was moved up in the Agenda by President Shorey.

After the distribution of a letter addressed to the Board members by member Ken Grabeldinger appealing the recent decision of the Discipline Committee concerning a 2004 incident in which Ken was coaching, Virginia Sherman ( a parent of a child who played on Ken's team) addressed the Board and gave a copy of her prepared remarks to the Secretary.

A lengthy discussion followed among various Board members – not all of whom were aware of the specifics of the incident or the decision made by the Discipline Committee- and a number of other concerned parents of children on the team , some team members and other supporters of Ken's position. A singular issue of whether or not the proper process was followed by the Committee in rendering their decision was addressed by many guests and a few Board members.

As a result of the discussion it was moved by John Waters and seconded by Ken Grabeldinger that the decision made by the Discipline Committee be suspended pending a hearing by the full Board on another date at which time the parent(s) who filed the original complaint would be invited to attend and discuss the complaint. The Board will

at that time render a judgement as to the validity of the Discipline Committee's decision. The Board unanimously approved the motion and the guests were thanked by President Shorey for their time in coming to the meeting.

#### Treasurer's Report:

A brief verbal report was given by John Waters that predicted the organization will finish it's fiscal year with a small operational surplus and that a detailed spreadsheet will be provided at the next meeting.. It was reported that the 501(c)3 status request has been filed. A brief discussion was held on the status of the lotto fundraising program used in the past and it was agreed to table the implementation of the program until final acceptance of our status is received. It was pointed out that the 2004-05 Midget Full team has now fully paid for it's Tournament obligations. Motion to accept the report was made by Bill Owens and seconded by Mike Yutzler. Motion voted upon and carried.

#### Travel Report:

The Snowbelt report was given simultaneously here by Mike Perry as well. A detailed listing of 2005-06 JAM locations for the March 10-12 2006 event was distributed by Mike. Also, the NYS AHA Sites were distributed. It was pointed out that the Thanksgiving weekend tournament games will be considered Q games Motion to accept the report was made by John Waters and seconded by Jeff Wooldridge. Motion voted upon and carried.

#### SnowBelt Report

See above..

#### Committee Reports:

##### Registration:

Bob Shorey reported that the letters announcing registration for Girls 19U and Midget programs are ready for distribution.

##### Fundraising:

A discussion was held concerning the \$25. increase agreed to in the June meeting and reclassifying it as a fundraising increase rather than a registration increase. Mike Yutzler made a formal motion to effect this change which was seconded by Todd Jury. Motion

voted upon and carried. It was also mentioned by Mike Yutzler that the date for the bottle and can drive has been changed to October 15 from 9AM-3PM to remove the conflict with Homecoming Weekend. Mike also wanted to formally thank the Calidonna family and Todd Jury for contributing equipment for and driving in the Fourth of July parade respectively.

#### Scheduling:

Discussions were held on the subject of moving the Learn to Skate program and the D Mite program to a Sunday 1:30-3 PM slot leaving a full Saturday schedule for other games. The Thanksgiving weekend tournament was discussed with Mike Perry pointing out that the Mites will have a 3 on 3 cross ice event and there will be games for House Squirts and up and Travel Squirts and up. Programs participating will be Whitestown, Rome, New Hartford and Clinton.

#### Coaching:

All coaches letters are now due to be submitted for consideration by August 1 for the 2005-06 season. It was decided to release the ad in the OD immediately that solicits applications. Applications can be found on the website as well.

#### Old Business:

Discussion was held on the need to begin the process of scheduling for the Skills Development sessions.

A motion was made by Mike Yutzler after some discussion to accept the rate increase for refs according to Rick Kunze's schedule. Motion was seconded by John Waters voted upon and carried.

#### New Business:

Mike Perry distributed a well thought and detailed proposal on changing the Travel Team rule that would permit children from outside communities to participate on Travel teams subject to certain restrictions in their first year of trying out. The issue was discussed and tabled until the next meeting pending better attendance.

President Shorey brought up the issue of poorly attended meetings and began a discussion on stricter enforcement of attendance guidelines. After a lengthy discussion, Mike Yutzler introduced and Mark Hobaica seconded the motion that Board members be subject to an allowance of 3 calendar year permitted absences after which a Board member is asked to leave the Board for lack of interest. That is, upon the fourth absence the Board member will be asked to leave. Motion was voted upon and carried.

A motion to adjourn the July meeting was made by John Waters and seconded by Jeff Wooldridge. The meeting was adjourned at 10:00PM.

The next meeting will be held on August 2 at 8PM - Altieri's Restaurant.

Anyone wishing to submit an item to be placed on the agenda for the June meeting should contact new President Bob Shorey.

Recording Secretary,  
Jeff Wooldridge

