

Tornado Youth Hockey
 Board Meeting
 Meeting Minutes
 Monday May 11, 2015



Board and Committee Members:

Jamie Dirks (Pres)	X	Jason Santos (VP)	O	Kris Borene (Trsr)	X	Jane Duren (Sec.)	X
Rob Lass	O	Jim Sysimaki	X	John Zimmerman	X	Dianne Pica	X
Josh Genz	X	Charles Weber	X	Mark Chafoulias	X	Tina Severson	
Shaun Domenget	X	Kristin Thompson-Larson		Tina Kabus	X	Andy Meyer	X
Amy Zimmerman	X						

Guests: Tony Clemment,

X = present, O = absent

Jamie reviewed the goal of TYH:

It is the goal of Tornado Youth Hockey to offer a program that will provide opportunities for boys and girls to learn skills, good sportsmanship and the importance of teamwork and motivation necessary for a young person's maturity.

All athletes are constantly before the public and their conduct not only influences future participants, but also arouses scrutiny of their moral habits and those of Tornado Youth Hockey. YOU the athlete and PARENTS determine the success of Tornado Youth Hockey, along with the help and cooperation of the coaches.

The hockey player must accept the dedication and hard work that goes into a successful program. The hockey player must be willing to follow the rules of W.A.H.A., U.S.A. Hockey, MAHA, and Tornado Youth Hockey.

Welcomed new Board Member and reviewed Committee Chairs (see THY website for names, emails, and positions)

Items Discussed:

New Jerseys

1. Amy presented three options for jersey quality, styles, and designs
2. Options for affording replacement of all TYH jerseys include
 - a. Costs split between TYH and Skater:
 - i. Discussion on starting at first year Squirt players purchasing one jersey and I as needed due to growth of player. The player would keep the purchased jersey and the association would keep the other jersey. Players would keep the same number throughout their career.
3. If jerseys are ordered at registration, jerseys would be ready in time for the first game.
4. One jersey per skater was discuss - not white (away) or dark (home) jersey, but one unique jersey):
5. Other options / suggestions:

- a. Chuck Weber noted that the association could also price a logo to sew onto the jersey. The jerseys could then be replaced as needed and the logo reused on the new jersey.

Tournament Schedule for 2015/16

1. Tournament schedule was discussed and proposed for publication in Let's Play Hockey. Although some tournaments may not have a team the money raised by tournaments is significant. Tournaments can also be cancelled if need be.
2. One minor change was made to correct the year to 2015/16. Shaun Domenget made a motion to post the tournaments as proposed in the Let's Play Hockey magazine and run the ads for three months. John Zimmerman seconded the motion.

WAHA – Annual Conference

1. WAHA Annual Conference is to be held in Stevens Point July 31 and August 1 (Thursday and Friday). WAHA encourages the Board involvement in this and the break-out sessions are very informative.
2. Jamie strongly encouraged Board Members to make an effort to attend. Jim Sysimaki noted that Fran Finko stated that the educational sessions have been good and the TYH Board would benefit by attending.

Try Hockey for Free / Learn to Skate

1. Jamie noted that we could, as a regional area, promote the Try Hockey for Free and the Learn to Skate program and increase numbers. More discussion will take place at the June 2015 meeting.

Fundraising Discussion and Committee

1. Need to increase opportunities to raise funds. TYH does not want to raise registration costs.
2. Fundraising through calendars will be done again this year.
3. Dianne Pica is asking for assistance in the fundraising process. A Fundraising Committee and a Sponsorship Committee will be formed (each of approximately 5 people). Twenty service hours per committee member will be awarded upon completion of obligation.

Roles and Responsibilities for TYH and Board Members

1. A "standard work plan" will be developed by Tina to ensure that the Board meets the expectations of what needs to happen at each monthly meeting to stay on task.

Secretary's Report

- Secretary's Report from April will be distributed in the next two weeks
- Annual Meeting minutes – Kris made a motion to approve. Shaun Domenget seconded the motion.

Treasurer's Report

1. Kris Borene presented the budget. The Board suggested upgrading the software (QuikBooks) so that the actual / budgeted and other features. The Board decided that

- similar options are available for no costs via Excel spreadsheets. Board stated that the budget needs to be reviewed as trending data, not after the year is complete. John Zimmerman makes motion to approve budget. Shaun Domenget seconded the motion.
2. Any changes on budgets need to be submitted to Kris by Wednesday, May 13.

Ice Time Scheduling:

1. Ohbe Johnson will taking this position over from Mike Gargaro. Jamie is to meet with Ohbe to discuss expectations for scheduling.
2. Ice time needs to be tracked (for budget and team time) real time, not after the fact.
3. Team managers will have an allocated number of home games and practices per year. They should be able to view on-line.
4. Ice costs are believed to be \$125 per hour for Ice Time. This will be confirmed with the City of Onalaska.

TYH Logo in the Ice on Rink 1:

1. Placement of the TYH logo was offered (free of charge). Amy Zimmerman will contact Kelly to discuss details to have the TYH logo placed on the rinks.

Bantam Team

1. La Crosse Bantam team has only 5-6 players for their Bantam Team. Discussions will take place at the June 2015 meeting to discuss if we bring the La Crosse players into our Bantam Team. Jim Sysimacki will have more information on this issue prior to the June Board meeting.

Try-outs

1. Feedback from the tryout process from the evaluators will be reviewed by the Board and the process will be refined. Jim will present information in the August meeting.

Tournaments:

1. Discussed the option of not paying for away tournaments. Currently each team is allocated a set amount of money for tournaments.
2. At this time it will remain that one tournament is covered by TYH.

Coulee Region Girls

1. Jamie is waiting for additional information on the topic. The Coulee Region Rep. has not been in touch with Jamie again regarding this.

Refereeing Costs

1. Need to evaluate what we pay for our refs per game and possibly adjust our registration costs. Action Item: Get rates other area associations pay to their refs.

Motion to adjourn:

- Jim Sysimacki - motion
- Tina Severson - seconded