

BETHLEHEM BLAST® Monthly Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: September 10, 2009

Attendees: Board members: John Kerr, Amy Spease, Sandy Steidel, Kristin Buehl, Tom Ashley, Jen Duvalo, Becky Miller, Mark Gutekunst, Mark Spease, Allison Civitella, Bill Eben, Wendy LeDuc, Silvio Martel
General Membership: Keith Krem, Dan Smoker, Pat Britt, James Knapp

Meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by President Sandy Steidel

Approval of August 2009 Meeting Minutes:

Motion to approve minutes was made by Becky Miller. Jen Duvalo seconded. August minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Motion to approve report was made by John Kerr. Wendy LeDuc seconded. Report was approved.

Reimbursement for non-parent coaches was discussed. If a gift card were given to coaches, they would have to claim it on income tax form. To avoid that, coaches would need to keep receipts for purchases and submit to the Blast Treasurer. Kristin is still looking at the budget to see what amount would be possible to give to non-parent coaches.

DVHL Meeting Report:

Submitted by Tom Ashley. Monthly meeting dates are posted on DVHL website.

- Code of conduct forms are due by each organization at the October DVHL meeting. These forms are in lieu of St. Barnabas forms used in the past.
- Team roster due date is extended to 9/11 12:00 AM.
- All mites teams will receive t-shirts for players and 4 coaches per team. Sizes need to be submitted.
- The Blast will have multiple passwords so managers can enter game scores on DVHL website.

Hockey Operations:

Jamie Swartz was appointed ACE Associate Coordinator

The following were approved as assistant coaches:

- Keith Hurlbert Mite C
- Dan Millan Squirt B
- Vince Manganiello PeeWee A

Motion to approve was made by John Kerr, seconded by Becky Miller.

Besa Powerskating is being finalized. It will be once per month starting in Oct.

Motion to approve was made by Mark Gutekunst, seconded by John Kerr.

Screening for coaches and new team managers needs to be completed.

Temporary player movements- forms are on-line and need to be filled out by team managers. Registrar needs to keep track of movements. Each team is allowed 6 movements. (A player moving to another team and back to his/her own team is 2 movements).

Christmas City Tournament

- Dec. 26-29
- 3 game minimum
- Fees are in line with other tournaments, for every 3 Blast team that registers the 4th will be free
- All NJ teams and many NY and Baltimore teams received flyer, all Tier II teams, no Tier I
- Each division will have 4 teams
- A link to the tournament will be put on the website
- Volunteers needed for each shift: scoreboard (2 people), music (2), check-in table (2-first day only), 50/50 (2-4) and auction table

Registrar:

Jen Duvalo reported that rosters are due to DVHL 9/11, Girls and Midget 16A still needed to sign

Scheduler:

Allison Civitella reported that non-league games were being scheduled.

Mite matrix was to arrive Fri. 9/11

New Player Report

Becky Miller reported that players are still needed at 16A and Girls level.
Any new player inquiries must be referred to Becky Miller.

Vice President of Administration

Amy Spease reported that shelves are needed for the office to make more storage room.
Yearbooks from past years can be recycled.
Trophies not distributed to players can be reused by replacing nameplate.
A trophy case is needed at the rink for Blast trophies. Permission was given several years ago by rink management to construct one.

Vice President of External Affairs

Mark Gutekunst reported that there are several people considering the Special Events Coordinator position. Appointment is needed by the Board.
To make the Mite fees more attractive to potential parents, it is possible to find a sponsor to pay for uniforms, which would then be handed back in to the Blast at the end of the season.

Member Comments:

The Swap Shop is on the website. There is not a lot of traffic, most likely due to the fact that there are not many items for sale or swap. A "Swap Weekend" is a possibility to generate more items that members can buy/sell/swap.

DVHL Meeting attendees were reminded of dates:

- Aug. 12 Allison Civitella
- Sept. 9 Tom Ashley or Silvio Martel
- Oct. 14 Becky Miller +
- Nov. 11 John Kerr
- Dec. 9 (conference call) Wendy LeDuc +
- Jan. 13 Kristin Buehl, Sandy Steidel
- Feb. 10 Amy Spease
- March 10 Mark Gutekunst
- April 14 Sandy Steidel
- May 12 Jen Ducalo

+ change in schedule

Motion to adjourn meeting at 9:30 was made by Becky Miller and seconded by Wendy LeDuc.

Action List Generated From Meeting:

Respectively submitted

Wendy LeDuc