

MINUTES

Tech Valley Hockey League

Date & Time: February 5, 2019 @ 8:01 PM

Meeting called to order by: Steve Welch

Minutes taken by: Cheryl McGlothlin

In Attendance

Steve Welch, Frank Suozzi, Dan Berdar, Kelli Trippany, Cheryl McGlothlin

Old Business

- At our last board meeting, on Monday 11/19/2018, Todd Nocera stepped down as TVHL president. The board voted and approved that Steve Welch become the new TVHL president.
- DJ Matthews had stepped down as the 8U director.

New Business

- The board has approved that Scott Solomon and Todd Nocera need to be removed from our bank account.
 - A motion by Frank that Steve Welch (as president) will be added as a signer on the account. Kelli Trippany will be kept on the account as well. Both Kelli & Steve need to be given permission to have online and statement access.
 - Motion was approved by Dan.
 - Kelli and Steve plan to meet at the Latham Branch later this week to take care of the transfer of names on the account.
- The schedule for coverage for TVHL Championship Weekend was sent out. Everyone was good with the times assigned. Dan to send out Script for what to do at the games. Games will be held 2/23 & 2/24 Clifton Park Ice Arena - Rink #1; Staging area will be locker Room #5. Steve & Frank to setup on the evening on 2/22.
- A motion was made by Frank that some minor changes need to be made to the playoff rules:
 - The suggested changes are as follows:
 1. If your team would like to withdraw from a potential spot in the Championship, please let Steve Welch or Frank Suozzi know before January 6, 2019. Please note that the TVHL expects each team to honor it's commitment to the league and to participate in the semi-final and Championship Games. We have made every attempt to schedule these games around the major tournaments. It is however impossible to avoid every tournament weekend. That said, we have communicated the TVHL Semi-Final and Championship weekend schedules in July 2018 to avoid conflicts.
 2. Each association/team is responsible to ensure TVHL league fees are paid in FULL, prior to the Semi-Finals weekend. Failure to pay league fees may result in your team eligibility for the Semi-Finals/Championship games.
 3. The #4 ranked team will play the #1 ranked team, and the #3 ranked team will play the #2 ranked team. These Playoff games will be scheduled prior to the start of the season.
 - The motion to make these changes was approved by Steve.
 - The changes will be posted on the website now and sent out to coaches prior to Championship weekend.
- Teams that have conflicts with Championship & Semi Final dates & times behind their control (rescheduled HS hockey games) can be looked at and moved. If a team schedules a non-

league game or signs-up for a tournament during these times; that is there problem and games must be played at the schedule time or forfeited. For Semi Final games, teams are still responsible for the ice time and the ref fees even if they chose not to play.

- A suggestion was made that billing for TVHL league fees take place in October / November next year. This way the money is in the account way in advance of TVHL payoff weekend. This will help with teams backing out at the last minute and trying not to pay.

Financial Report

- Bank account starting balance is approximately \$2,000
 - Payment has been made to Art Sasson for \$525
 - New Balance is approximately \$1475
 - Until Kelli and Steve have access we do not have an accurate account balance
 - Kelli only has 4 checks left for the account
- Upcoming costs:
 - Ref fees for championship games are \$662
 - Awards are \$4,217
 - Ice slots approximately \$3,000
- Incoming money
 - Schenectady \$1,050 – Paid
 - Northern Berkshire \$525 – Paid
 - Clifton Park \$1,575 – Paid
 - TAHA \$1,225 – Paid
 - Bethlehem \$875 – Paid – Over payment we owe them \$525 – Check will be cut after and sent out after championship weekend
- A reminder invoice to the following teams, telling them they need to pay before playoffs begin.
 - Whitestown \$175
 - Millbrook \$175
 - Berkshire \$175
 - Saugerties \$700

Motion to adjourn was made @ 9:01 PM by Steve Welch