

## **August 11, 2020 CCHA Meeting**

**Attendance:** Gary Shain, Tony Privitera, Chris McCann, Andrew Wheelock, Perry Mitchell, Greg Krauza, Justin Giles, Mike Nelson, Keith Mages, Jim Rozen, Jeff Huyck, Mike Mead.

**Greetings:** Mr. Wheelock welcomed everyone and thanked all captains and board members for gathering to help plan for our upcoming season. Mr. Wheelock also thanked all board members for their work last season and hopes we can continue working well into the future.

**Election of Officers:** After unanimous voting, all officers were reelected to another season of service. Mr. Wheelock, President. Mr. Giles, Vice President and Stats. Mr. Rozen, Scheduling. Mr. Mitchell, Treasurer. Mr. Shain, Secretary.

**New Business:** Mr. Wheelock discussed the passing of 2 of the leagues founding fathers. Mr. Phil Beiger and Mr. Ronald Pachol Sr. Both individuals were recognized for their contributions to the CCHA and as great teammates and friends.

Mr. Wheelock went on to say that last season, there were no ejections for fighting. All team payments were forwarded in a timely manner. The CCHA had its first All Star Game. Mr. Beiger will have the B League sportsmanship award named after him. Discussions will follow as to an award named for Mr. Pachol. Mr. Pachol was credited with teaching Ron Pachol Jr. everything he knows. (That should not reflect negatively upon Mr. Pachol Sr. though)

**Award Winners:** Mike Nelson, A League MVP. Justin Giles, A League Sportsmanship Award. AJ Riforgiat, A League Most Valuable Goaltender. Mike Nelligan, B League MVP. Joe Geerkin, B League Sportsmanship Award. Nate Williams, B League Most Valuable Goaltender.

**Treasures Report:** Mr. Mitchell reported that there are no outstanding checks unaccounted for and the league is paid in full to the FCU rink and the CCC rink. All trophies are paid in full as well as costs for the league banquet and trophies. Mr. Mitchell presented costs of ice times, score keepers, officials as well as misc. expenses associated with the All Star Game. The CCHA still has a balance in our account and those in attendance reviewed Mr. Mitchells information and found it to be accurate.

**Scheduling Report:** Mr. Rozen and Mr. Wheelock both confirmed that the FSU Rink will not be available to us until after January 2<sup>nd</sup>. The Leagues plan A is to play in the CCC rink until the FSU Rink is available. Plan B includes other options such as Jamestown or Hamburg. Mr. Rozen also suggested an option of a shortened season at FSU. Mr. Wheelock said we seem to be in a holding pattern for now but all captains are encouraged to move forward with rosters. "We may need to ramp up quickly should ice time become available so our league does not miss out". Captains understood.

**Referee Report:** Mr. Huyck discussed the fact that no officials had any major conflicts with players last year. He thanked captains for introducing themselves before games and credited captains for reminding players that only designated Captains and Alternate Captains discussed issues last year with officials. Mr. Huyck also informed us that the 2 major Referee associations have now merged.

**Other Discussions:** Mr. Mages reminded those in attendance to frequent our sponsors businesses after our games. This year especially with the financial burden on so many bars. Every purchase counts.

The topic of Goalie usage was discussed. The result is as follows: If a B League team needs a substitute goalie, that team may only use a goalie from the approved B League substitute list. If no goalie is available, that team will then have to use a rostered player from their team as a substitute. All captains should have this list. Mr. Wheelock and Mr. Shain will forward the list if needed.

Suspensions being served was discussed. The result is as follows. If a player receives a game suspension, that game suspension is to be served the next game. If that suspension is not served, said player will receive a 2<sup>nd</sup> game suspension and the Team Captain will serve a game suspension as well. It is the team Captains responsibility to assure the league that rules will be followed.

Adding players in mid-season was discussed. The result is as follows. The new player will again have 3 games in the B League as a tryout basis. The three team captains who played against said player will then have an opportunity to vote on whether or not that player may stay in the B League or be placed on an A League team.

Mr. Giles will update the Bylaws to include the specific language changes.

Throwing ones stick was discussed. The result is as follows. Mr. Huyck assured us that it is a USA Hockey rule. He will seek clarity on proper USA Hockey language and forward it to Mr. Wheelock. The CCHA rule states that if this penalty occurs in the 3<sup>rd</sup> period, this results in a misconduct and a game suspension.

**Next Meeting: TBA**