

Attendees:	Board Members: Dean Bartlett, Craig Butkus, Jerry Heath, Pat Burke, Craig Benson, Al Foice, Estelle LeClair, Lisa McGinnis, Will Gonyeau, Kib Horsford, John Laliberte, Bruce Garrapy, Jeff Cabanaw, Maurice Rosales Other Attendees: Chris Putzier, Peter Glass, Karen Jean, Kristen Romick, Jill Vespa
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Notes:

- Meeting called to order 7:01.m. – with a quorum.
- Minutes were approved from last meeting with an amendment to the total received from the Backstage to \$4900.

Open discussion from visitors

- Chris Putzier raised a concern about the fact that he had witnessed a coach grabbing a player. He advised that he thought that this was inappropriate behavior on the part of the coach and asked the board to consider disciplinary actions in proportion to the offense and in relation to actions that have been taken against other coaches historically. Al and Pat advised that the matter was being investigated and appropriate action would be taken.

Board Business:

- Jerry Heath reported on VSAHA. Regarding the proposed merger between Hartford and Lebanon, the Hartford state representation approached VSAHA and requested a nonbinding vote for four different scenarios. VSAHA president did not think this was an appropriate action to take at that point and requested that they bring the membership a formal proposal. Jerry commented that the overall tone of the membership was not positive for this change. Several questions arose with the most obvious being why would Hartford not consider a merger with Woodstock. An internal task force for the Hartford association suggested merger of the boys program not the girls. The membership voted on whether to allow the Hartford U-14 girls to participate in the state tournament and it was passed 13-9 even though there was five girls from out of state. The Squirt B tournament has been moved to Cairns. EYHA and CSB petitioned to have it moved because both the Peewee B and the Squirt B tournaments were being held in Woodstock and due to the size of the tournament and the need for a larger venue to accommodate two large events.
- Treasurers Report – Maurice presented the treasurer's reports
 - Account balances, Budget and Cash Flow reports were reviewed by the Board.
 - Al advised that he received two letters from Hannafords. As part of a community outreach program, EYHA will be receiving \$5000. The check presentation will be 02/02/08.
- Tournaments – Al reported for Jeff Cabanaw
 - Parent volunteers will be needed for the Peewee AB tournament that EYHA will be hosting.
 - EYHA proposed to VSAHA that going forward each team participating in a state tournament be required to provide the host association with two volunteers per game for penalty box coverage etc. This might assist local hosts with finding sufficient volunteers.
 - Essex is hosting the Squirt Tier II regional tournament the weekend of 03/07/08 – 03/09/08.

