

Tryout Committee Meeting 5/13/08 6:00 PM

Responses (in red) to comments received at Post Tryout Meeting.

Board Members Present: Tim Molitor, Keri Olufson, Stephanie Balynas, Bob Ruzynski
Tryout Committee Members Present: Dave Will, Mark Cory, Eric Aus, Dan Zarembinski, Todd Madland, David Haugen, Janet McGough, Linda Kuntz, Dave Lovick & Craig Gromek

- Schedules were posted and read left to right and it was suggested that was confusing. **This will not occur this year. It was an error that was just not caught in time to be corrected last year. Even though it was a problem, most felt that it did not cause any major problems.**
- Comments that not all paid evaluators seemed to be paying attention. **Unfortunately this is a comment that is heard every year because someone notices an evaluator looking away or talking. Overall felt evaluators from last season were paying attention and focused.**
- More time at B2 & C levels to make sure that players placed at correct skill level. **This is one of the areas we hope to improve upon by adding additional ice time to Phase I and possibly Phase II and organize possible cross ice & full ice scrimmages so kids can have more exposure.**
- Suggestion for more ice time prior to tryouts (preseason skates). **This has not proved feasible the past few years because there is too much competition with other coaches running programs and SR programs.**
- Feedback needed at end of season to evaluate where your player's skill level is at. **Not discussed at this time.**
- Questions regarding injury or missing tryouts policy – clarification if it is the same or different. **Injury is not the same as missing tryouts. Injury requires doctors note for injury or serious illness verses missing tryouts to try and stay on same level as last year. .**
- Comments on different amounts of C & B teams at Initiation level. **This just changes with talent pool and number depending on what we have register for.**
- B2 Level tryouts needed more time for evaluation and more focus on getting skater at proper level. **Addressed previously – will be a focus of this year's tryout committee.**
- Same jersey numbers on B1 pools caused confusion – wasted drill time. **Plan is to arrange for more tryout jerseys to be available for Phase II. Pinneys suggested but noted they are not as easy as jerseys. Check into buying jerseys or looking to see what we do have stashed away.**
- Goalie evaluation did not measure skills and needs to be revised. **We will be looking at different ways to approach goalie evaluations. Contacting a Goalie training program to see what they an offer to run our goalie portion of tryouts.**
- Questions on how teams are chosen for the A pool. **Just a comment requesting how A pool is chosen – usually addressed at pre-Tryout Meeting.**
- Girls 14U should declare positions. **Do not have the numbers in the girls program to justify this.**
- Positive feedback on overall tryout process. **General thought is we are doing most of the tryouts right – just need to fine tune it a bit more.**
- Feedback from evaluators so that players know what to try and improve on. **Not addressed at this time.**