

South Wood County Youth Hockey Association
Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes
South Wood County Rec Center
October 28, 2008 @ 7:00 PM

ATTENDANCE: Jane Overfelt, Jay Prochnow, Chris Hoffman, Candice Blakeslee, Eileen Hillila, Patty Weinfurter, Jen Derks, Dan Paulsen, Jay Capelle, Joe Berry, Mike Gulenchyn, and Brett Kastien. Also present: Jim Arnold and John Baker.

MINUTES:

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Squirt player level is dangerously low. John Hanzlik expressed real concern. As the skaters continue through the association it is likely some will leave which would put us with 1 large team. It was recommended that we try to register new skaters at this level yet this year if possible. A motion was made to offer reduced rates to brand new skaters (\$175), 20 volunteer hours and a \$50 incentive off next year's registration to a family who recruits a new skater. Skaters who played previously but have left hockey all together could return for 1/2 off registration costs as a return incentive. (M1 Paulsen, M2 Hoffman) motion passed.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Clarification of WIAA Parent volunteer hours: Parents who work penalty box, score keep or time clock receive volunteer hours and up to 1 hour can be used for cleaning up after a WIAA game.

TREASURERS REPORT:

SECRETARIES REPORT: A reminder to check into ad for WIAA brochure.

Jim Arnold's Report –

- Jim will be meeting with all teams offering a tour of where supplies are stored, jobs that can be done and how we can help the building conserve energy.
- A reminder to our association members and coaches that the locker room cleanliness needs to be a priority. Especially locker rooms 3&4. Coaches will be asked to check the locker rooms and sign out on the provided clipboard, or have a parent assigned to that job for all practices and games.
- The locker rooms are clean with a virus cleaner 2x's a week.
- No School Skate Schedule
 - 9-11 mite/squirt open hockey
 - 11-1 open skate
 - 1:15-3 pee wee/Bantam open hockey

Upstairs rec policy –

- Balcony will be kept locked with the exception of WIAA hockey games for safety reasons. A key is available for teams to use the balcony for dry land practices.
- Nov. 2 there will be a planning meeting for Toys for Tots. Anyone is welcome.

- Nov.30 will be the rink open house/skate collecting Toys for Tots.
- Nov. 11 Jim will hold a seminar on glass replacement on the rink
He would like to set up a response plan for WIAA games to ensure a quick safe clean up of the glass. The response would also be used during association games.
Jim was hoping to get some kids at the rink to clean up trash around the building on Thursday, Oct 30th. Maybe a 1/2 hour of work.
- Rink Maintenance – The plywood in the visiting team box and rubber flooring is in need of repair. And there are lockers in locker room #3 that need to be moved into the coaches' locker room so that coaches can leave equipment at the rink and do not have to transport it home with them.

John Baker – Officiating Update

We have 8 returning refs and 9 new refs that cannot ref until they receive their cards. Then they need to let John know ASAP.

Thanks to Butch Hillila for painting the refs room.

Equipment from the refs room has disappeared over the years, some new jerseys need to be ordered. Several helmets have been located.

Officials receive 1 free drink from concessions after they have referred a game.

Business:

Fundraising/marketing

- The fundraising committee is running the Halloween Open skate and collecting can goods for the food pantry.
- Questions were raised as to what type of fundraising qualifies for the matching grant? Is there any special criteria? What is the deadline for fundraising? How does it need to be documented?
Jay Capelle noted a meeting on Dec. 10th @ 6:00 with the SWC 2000 board to share our ideas and ask some questions.
- The fundraising committee has many ideas they are looking into, they have inquired with other associations to find out what their best fundraisers are. Anyone interested in being involved is welcome. It is also their goal to help get our association out into the community and recognized in other ways.
- Camp Raffle - The association will be raffling off a 1 week resident camp with Minnesota Hockey Camps in the summer of 2000. The raffle also includes a camp tee-shirt, cap and a \$100 gas card. Tickets will be sold for \$5 throughout the season and the drawing will be held on March 8th at 1:00 pm. 2nd Prize in the drawing is a Joe Pavalski signed jersey. Patty Weinfurter is ordering the tickets.
- Needed –One raffle box that can be locked.

Sponsors

Patty Olynyk has volunteered to again recruit and check in with previous team sponsors. Sponsor fees will be \$400 a team. The association will pay for the banners. If butt tags are requested, the sponsor will need to provide those.

Jerseys

Jerseys have been ordered for new skaters, squirts and re-orders. Bret ordered 33 jerseys and they are at the printer. They will not be ready for this weekend. We will use old icebreaker jerseys for now. Jersey cost was \$48 with printing fees they will be about \$68.00.

Volunteer Hours

Volunteer hours should be posted this weekend. Team weekend assignments have been made. A big thanks to Kelly Akker for her work with volunteers!

Team Liaisons

H.S Club – Jay Capelle
Bantam A – Bret Kastien
Pee Wee A – Chris Hoffman
Pee Wee B – Jen Derks
Squirt A – Patty Weinfurter
Squirt B – Eileen Hillila
Mite 4 – Jane Overfelt
Mite 3 – Jay Prochnow
Mite 2 – Joe Berry

Coaches

H.S Club – Head Coach –Marshfield - We need someone from our association to lead our once a week practice.
Bantam A – Tim Comeau
Pee Wee A – Steve Krueser
Pee Wee B – Jeff Reeves
Squirt A – John Hanzlik
Squirt B – TBD
Mite 4 – Joe Kubisiak
Mite 3 – Chad Bushman
Mite 2 – Mike Gulenchyn

Budget: Tabled until the next meeting. Mr. Paulsen was called away.

Don Kohlman – WAHA - Don passed away suddenly and our association will send a plant. A motion was made to send a plant not to exceed \$75 (M1 Blakeslee, M2 Kastien) motion passed. Don has been a tremendous help to our association over the years and will be missed.

WAHA

A letter was sent to WAHA's regarding their decision in the girls matter. We let them know our disappointment in the decision. However, we will abide with their decision. They will be coming to meet with the board at our request and information regarding all correspondence and planning

with Point for the co-op and the families of the girls has been sent to them for their review prior to our meeting. They acted on information they received from individuals within the association rather than contact with the board.

We would like to set up a new co-op for next year.

Girls Hockey Opportunity

Jeff Reeves has organized girls nights on our ice this season to try and build moral and interest in girl's hockey. They will meet twice a month. Girls registered with our association are invited to attend. He is planning to invite girls from Marshfield, and Arnott as well as invite girls to bring a friend. Girls aged 10 –14 are invited. The cost will be around \$5, perhaps we will sell them punch cards.

Summer Camp

Planet Hockey summer camp is set. It is posted on our website and a link is being set up for families to register. Camp cost is \$389. Team managers will provide association members with the code to receive \$100 off the fee. Goalies are 1/2 price. Flyers and posters are on their way. There are 30 spots at each level. The camp is open to everyone. When it is full, it is full. Register early if you plan to attend.

Mini- mite Jamboree

We are checking in to whether we need to change the date due to State tournaments.

Complaint

We have had a parent complaint that an older adult male harassed a child. This individual has been at the rink frequently. We are looking into the course of action. But families should be aware and watch their children.