

AAHA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

9/9/08

7:00 P.M.

ANOKA HOCKEY RINK BOARD ROOM

Meeting called to order at: 7:06 pm by Mike Cunningham

Motion to adjourn meeting at: 9:45 pm Motion made by Mike McCauley, second by Greg Tirevold.

Minutes taken by: Mike McCauley

Minutes typed by: Mike McCauley

Members Present: Mike Cunningham, Rob Savini, Mike McCauley, Charles Lehn, Julie Huspek, Jeff Asfahl, Todd Mathisen, Charlie Weaver, Greg Tirevold, Tye Jensen, Troy Bergstrom, Craig Stevens

Members Absent: Bob Murphy, Michelle Petersen,

Ancillary Members Present: Jeff Zwerdling, Tammi Wiedenbach,

Guests Present: Zach Sikich, Annette Cameron, Rick Olek, Bryan Dewees

Next Board Meeting: 9/23/08

OPEN FORUM: Annette Cameron petitioned the board to allow her son, Nick, the opportunity to move up from Peewees to Bantams for the upcoming season. Zach Sikich also spoke on Nick's behalf. After much discussion, Mike McCauley made a motion to allow Nick Cameron to move up to Bantams pending the final registration numbers, second by Julie Huspek, motion carried. The board informed Annette that the final registration numbers should be tabulated by 9/18, and she would have an answer by that night.

APPROVE MINUTES: Greg Tirevold made a motion to approve the minutes from the Board Meeting held August 12th, 2008, second by Julie Huspek, motion carried.

ACTION ITEMS:

Gambling Report/Gaming Committee Report: September's report for July was distributed by Jeff Zwerdling and reviewed by all present. Mike McCauley made a motion to approve the gambling report, second by Charlie Weaver, motion carried. Mike McCauley made a motion to approve the lawful expenditures report, second by Tye Jensen, motion approved. Bar Bingo is played at both of our sites, Jackson Street on Mondays and Serum's on Wednesday. Jeff Z. invited members of the association to support our sites. The Charitable Gambling meeting is scheduled for Sunday following each board meeting at 8:00pm in the Board Room. Julie Huspek made a motion to pay the ice down payment of \$23,250 from Charitable Gambling pending the finalization of the contract with the arena, second by Troy Bergstrom, motion carried.

Rob Savini, Chris Hedlund, Tye Jensen attended a work session of the Ramsey City Council to attempt to get the City to change their ordinance relating to Charitable Gambling. The City Councilmember's all agreed that it would be beneficial for the children of Ramsey & Anoka to allow AAHA's Charitable Gambling to operate in the City of Ramsey. They will work to add language in time to have the ordinance's first reading by the September 23rd City Council meeting.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report was distributed by Charlie Lehn and reviewed by all present. Todd Mathisen made a motion to approve the treasurer's report, second by Rob Savini, motion carried.

D10 & President's Report: Charlie Lehn attended the District 10 meeting to communicate AAHA's initial team declarations. AAHA has declared that we will host teams at the following levels: Jr. Gold; Bantam A, B1, B2; U-14 A; PeeWee A, B1, & (2) B2's; U-12 A & B; Squirt A, B1, & (2) B2's; and U-10 A & B. District 10 announced that all of the coaching clinics are posted on the USA Hockey website. MN Hockey is now requiring all associations to name an ACE coordinator to be a point of contact for communication between the district & state and each association. MN Hockey has changed the 4-12 rule to become the 3-10 rule. Construction has started on the AAIA locker rooms & lobby which is being paid for from funds from the Anoka-Hennepin school district.

Old Business: none

New Business:

Mike McCauley reported that we will not have enough ice hours to host a Whitecaps game during our girls tournaments like we did last year. The Whitecaps do have one open date left on January 30th, 2009. The board agreed to look into hosting the game that night if it is still available.

Committee Reports:

Tryouts: Report given by Jeff Asfahl, The tentative tryout schedule has been posted on the website. Jeff A. is currently looking for tryout scrimmages for all levels. Jeff Asfahl made a motion to add a few judges to the Tryout Judges list that were mistakenly left off of the list last month, second by Julie Huspek, motion carried. The tryout information meeting will be scheduled for Sunday, September 28th, at 7pm in Rink #1.

Player Development: Report given by Tye Jensen, Zach Sikich gave his proposal regarding goalie training for the upcoming year. Bryan Dewees from FHIT presented his proposal for running dryland & goalie training for the upcoming year. Tye has scheduled a committee meeting on Sunday, September 14th at 7:00pm to discuss the proposals.

Volunteer: Report given by Julie Huspek for Michelle Petersen, Julie will help Michelle with whatever needs to be done for tryouts.

Tournaments: Report given by Craig Stevens, Craig reported that most of the tournaments are full with teams on the waiting lists with the exception of A-Bantams where there is only one team other than Anoka signed up. Craig will contact teams who have traditionally signed up for the A-Bantam tournament to see if he can find other teams who would like to register. If there is not more interest by the end of the week, he will cancel the A-Bantam tournament and expand the Bantam B1 & B2 tournaments to 12 or 16 teams depending on ice availability.

Mites/House: N/A

Traveling – Youth: Report given by Greg Tirevold, Greg is beginning to get confirmations on tournaments that have been applied to. Greg asked Craig to let him know if the A-Bantam tournament is cancelled so he can work with the A-Bantam coaches on finding another tournament for that team if they want.

Traveling – Girls: Report given by Julie Huspek, Julie handed is beginning to get confirmations on tournaments that have been applied to. Still discussing co-op options with Champlin for the U-14's; a decision will be based upon what we have for numbers at that level after registration.

Communications: Report given by Todd Mathisen, Todd will start looking at pin designs for this year. Todd felt that we had too many left over pins from last season and will cut down to 750 this season.

Fundraising: Report given by Charlie Weaver, Charlie W. reported that another pallet of candy bars will be delivered on Thursday for registration. The checks received for candy bars at registration will be held until October 1st, 2008 before they are cashed. Charlie will talk to the candy distributor about the number of almond bars that are in the boxes this year. Charlie W. gave a quick recap on banner sales that have been finalized and those that are being worked on. If you know of someone who is interested in purchasing banner advertising, please contact Charlie Weaver for a copy of the contract.

Equipment: Report given by Troy Bergstrom, Troy is going to start looking at new jersey designs. Troy hopes to have 5-6 design options to review at the next board meeting.

Ice: Chris Hedlund is working with AAIA to get the ice block finalized & hopes to have the contract soon.

Registration: Final registration will be held on September 13th from 9:00 to noon.