

## Hastings Hockey Boosters

### **Monthly Meeting Minutes March 10, 2009**

**Meeting called to order @ 7:01pm**

**Roll Call:** Jerry Baum, Jim Koch, Tracy Pavelka, Todd Wallace, Matt Klein, Mike McCoy, Kris Porrez, Rob Williams, Jeff Kuhn, Josh Duerkop, Mike Klein and Marty Caneff. Absent were Jay Stark and Jerry Claussen.

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion to approve the agenda by Todd Wallace, second by Mike McCoy. All in favor.

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion to approve the January 13 meeting minutes by Todd Wallace, second by Kris Porrez. All in favor.

**Discipline Issues** (closed part of the meeting):

Jerry Baum relayed information to the board about some player suspensions on the Bantam A team. The coach requested a disciplinary committee decide what to do, and the board needed to either confirm, reverse or modify the decision that was made by them. Jeff Kuhn made a motion to accept the disciplinary committees actions regarding the Bantam A player suspensions, second by Todd Wallace. All in favor.

The second issue was in regards to an assistant coach on the Peewee C team. The Peewee Director requested an investigation into the issue and after review, the coach was suspended for the remainder of the season. Again, the board needed to confirm, reverse or modify the decision that was made. Rob Williams made a motion to accept the action that was taken, second by Mike McCoy. All in favor.

**Financial Update by Jim Koch:**

Jim reviewed the associations finances and reiterated that coaches will not be paid until all team jerseys and the team book are turned in. All team fees have been paid now. Thanks to all the level directors and team managers! Motion to approve the financials by Jim Koch, second by Kris Porrez. All in favor.

**Presidents Briefing** (to be done at the end of the meeting)

**D8 Update by Jeff Kuhn:**

At the last district meeting they discussed how gate fees for district tournaments was working.

**D8 Referee Update by Jesse Viall:**

No update.

**Director Updates:**

**Mini-Mites:** Rob Williams – there were a few glitches this past weekend with the Mites tourney. It is a fun event for the kids at this age...can we do something mid-season like a skills competition? Maybe even sell some food, like grilling on the patio, to make some more revenue.

**Mites:** Josh Duerkop – learned a lot this past weekend about how the in-house tourney works – some of the rules got mixed up. Would like to see something like having open skate with the varsity team. Maybe consider having all full-ice games at the White level.

**Squirts:** Mike McCoy – had a good tournament this past weekend.

**Peewees:** Jay Stark – absent – no update.

**Bantams:** Jerry Claussen – absent – no update.

**Jr. Gold:** Todd Wallace – had a good season, the teams did well.

**Girls:** Marty Caneff – the only teams not done yet are the U10 teams. The High School girls teams paid for an ice hour in order to get more girls interested in playing; 53 kids skated that were not on a hockey team already. It was a great turn-out!

**Coach-in-Chief:** Matt Klein – had 6 coaches at the last coaching clinic. At the goalie clinics had 15 and 17 attending.

**Operations:** Mike Klein – end of season equipment return is going well so far.

**Volunteers:** Only about half of the team managers have submitted their teams volunteer hour spreadsheets to get checks returned.

### **Old Business:**

**Tournaments:** Jim Koch - we made a decent amount of money from the Pee wee A & B district tourneys. The HHB logo online store is progressing; requests for pricing have been sent out to local businesses.

**Elections:** Tracy Pavelka – a total of 64 votes were cast at elections on February 10<sup>th</sup>. The following positions were up for election:

President – won by Jeff Kuhn

Director of Operations – won by Mike Klein (incumbent)

Director of Volunteers – won by Jenni Johnson

Director of Bantams – won by Dustin Vogelgesang

Director of Girls – won by Marty Caneff (incumbent)

Director of Mites – won by Josh Duerkop (incumbent)

Jerry Baum noted that only HHB members were allowed to vote; the list included up to 2 parents/guardians per player, coaches, board members, coordinators and anyone else that was approved as an honorary member or lifetime member.

**Online Coaches Survey:** Jay Stark was absent, but it was noted that he did open an account with Survey Monkey and the first survey will be ready to go soon. Association member Chadd Block asked if coaches can do player evaluations at year end.

**New Business:**

**Off-Season Equipment Use:** Mike Klein brought up some issues regarding equipment being used off-season: there is more wear and tear on the equipment and some of it is not being returned. Maybe we should have families pay a rental fee in order to use equipment off-season. Also, at what level do we stop providing the goalie equipment? Association member Chadd Block asked if we could do an equipment swap day for families. The Board indicated that we have an equipment swap online already and that equipment that has been left at the arena is set out in a Free box.

**Fundraising:** Jerry Baum informed the board about a local equipment cleaning business that is willing to donate \$5.00 to the HHB for every sale he makes. Does the board want to accept this proposal knowing that other businesses may approach us with similar proposals? After some discussion amongst the board, Rob Williams made a motion to approve the proposal, second by Todd Wallace. One person opposed, all others were in favor, motion passed.

**Other Board Items/Comment:** none.

**Membership Comments:** none.

**New Board Members:** According to the bylaws, their duties take over at the end of the month, March 31<sup>st</sup>. Outgoing board members Kris Porrez, Jerry Claussen and Jerry Baum were presented with plaques and thanked for their service.

**Presidents Final Briefing by Jerry Baum:** A change of leadership is a positive thing for an organization such as this. In the past 4 years we have accomplished a lot as a board: we have recovered most of our bad debt and we have kept costs low for players. In regards to future decision-making we need to keep our by-laws in mind and remember to “make it fun for the kids”. At this time, he is turning over the Presidency to Jeff Kuhn; as such, Jeff Kuhn is resigning as Vice-President and will be looking for a replacement for that position.

**Adjournment:** Rob Williams made a motion to adjourn at approximately 8:50pm, second by Matt Klein. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Tracy Pavelka, HHB Secreatry