

Hastings Hockey Boosters

Monthly Meeting Minutes

May 12, 2009

Meeting called to order: at 7:09pm

Roll Call: Jeff Kuhn, Jim Koch, Mike McCoy, Jay Stark, Matt Klein, Tracy Pavelka, Jenni Johnson, Marty Caneff, Josh Duerkop, Dustin Vogelgesang. Absent were Mike Klein, Todd Wallace and Rob Williams.

Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda by Mike McCoy, second by Josh Duerkop. All in favor.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the April 14 meeting minutes by Dustin Vogelgesang, second by Jenni Johnson. All in favor.

Financial Update by Jim Koch:

Still have just 1 team to cut coaches checks for. Also waiting on a couple of old checks to clear still. Motion to approve the financials by Jim Koch, second by Mike McCoy. All in favor.

President's Briefing by Jeff Kuhn:

Level directors needs to start working on budgets and team counts. Also start thinking about potential coaches. Need to send out an e-mail to the membership reminding them about the coaches survey and coaching applications. Jeff appointed Jim Boogren as the new Squirt Director, filling the remaining term left by Mike McCoy (who moved to the VP position). Motion to approve the appointment of Jim Boogren as Squirt Director by Mike McCoy, second by Jay Stark. All in favor.

D8 Update by Mike McCoy:

Many items were discussed at the last D8 meeting including residency rules and possibly creating a recreational league at a few levels. Jesse Vial was not available to give an update on referees, but Mike noted that upcoming clinics would be listed on the MN Hockey website.

Director Updates:

Mini-Mites: Rob Williams – absent – no update.

Mites: Josh Duerkop – need to advertise when the pre-K and Kindergarten skate will be.

Squirts: Jim Boogren – no update at this time.

Peewees: Jay Stark – no update at this time.

Bantams: Dustin Vogelgesang – no update at this time.

Jr. Gold: Todd Wallace – absent – no update.

Girls: Marty Caneff – would possibly like to switch to a U12B or U14A team for the tourney instead of the U12A.

Coach-in-Chief: Matt Klein – has received 3 coaching applications so far.

Operations: Mike Klein – just looking at equipment needs for next year.

Volunteers: Jenni Johnson – forming new committees – will discuss at a later point in the meeting.

Old Business:

Online Coaches Survey: Jay Stark said approximately 200 surveys have been received so far – great turn-out! We need to change the format of the coaches survey (from a pdf) posted online, so an applicant can save it to his own computer and then e-mail back. We need to add the Board Members to the mass e-mail list.

New Business:

Budget: Jeff Kuhn encouraged level directors to start working on their budgets for the next meeting.

Locker Room Software: Mike McCoy would like the association to purchase the software at a cost of approximately \$1100.00 so we can scroll locker room assignments on the lobby TV's. This cost was previously going to be covered by the City of Hastings, but was cut from their budget. Maybe we can get a few ice hours comp'd from Sliv for this. We may need to budget in for an additional laptop computer.

Tryout Procedures: We should get a set of guidelines set up for tryouts and get some input from a few coaches and the level directors. Mike McCoy had worked on this in the past, so we have a good starting point. Do we need to set up a committee?

Volunteering: Jenni Johnson has compiled a list of people interested in helping and handed out a spreadsheet with details. We should have at least one board member on each committee as a liaison. Each member present signed up for a committee and those that were absent were assigned one as well. We should all try to have our first committee meeting before our next Board meeting.

- Golf Tournament – Hidden Greens has some openings on Saturdays. Got some preliminary numbers for golfing, cart, dinner and a tent, but should look at other options too.
- Rivertown Days Parade – Jim Boogren has offered his vehicle for the parade. We also need a certificate of insurance for the parade application.
- Registrar – still looking for someone to fill this position – there is an upcoming meeting on May 28.

Board Comment: Mike McCoy said Westwood Sports has approached him to talk about equipment needs and pricing – have Mike Klein get in contact with him.

Membership Comment: Chadd Block is wondering if we could offer additional ice time (at a fee) to anyone willing to pay for it at the lower levels. Other associations have asked to scrimmage us and we need to increase player development through more ice time and better coaching practices. Could we start the in-house levels earlier in the season? The board mentioned that there are plenty of opportunities for additional ice time at open hockey skate and outdoor rinks. Josh Duerkop offered to schedule additional ice time outdoors for teams at those levels.

Adjournment: Matt Klein made a motion to adjourn at 8:55pm, second by Mike McCoy. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Tracy Pavelka, HHB Secretary