

Hastings Hockey Boosters

Monthly Meeting Minutes
December 13, 2011

Meeting called to order at 7:07 pm.

Roll Call: Board members present include Brian Jones, Brian Dooley, Jim Boogren, Rick Erredge, Brooks Savage, Matt Larson, Lisa Foster, Paul Huettl and Mike Lavin. Absent were Dustin Vogelgesang, Marc Chorney, Char Star, Jay Stark and Ryan Stoffel.

Approval of Agenda: Matt Larson made a motion to approve the agenda, second by Brooks Savage. Motion passed.

Approval of Minutes: Lisa Foster made a motion to approve the minutes, second by Matt Larson. Motion passed.

Financial Update (Char Stark):

The Board went over the Treasurer's Report emailed out by Char on 12/12/2011. She attached the following three reports: bank reconciliation summary, bank reconciliation detail and budget to actual for November. Cash balance on 12/10/11 is \$230,117.29. Registration has on more credit card pull on January 3, 2012.

On Monday, December 12th Char will be contacting the 17 registrations that had problems on November 30th. She will email each director the number of players she is working with. She has given them one week to contact her or fix the transactions. Only two have responded.

She has made progress on the budget to actual report. The report now reflects a net loss of \$460.00. Char has gone through the ice hours, ref's expenses, tourney expenses, district expense and registration is near completion and projected for the pulls to be recorded in December and January. The district tournament revenues were missed in earlier calculations and were projected at zero, it should be \$17,000. This explains most of the change. Reaching the revenue projection of \$3,500 for the Hockey Night Dinner will definitely help. More would be even better. Char hopes to have the coaches paid soon.

Motion by Paul Huettl to approve the financial statement as presented, seconded by Brooks Savage. Motion passed.

Presidents Briefing (Brian Jones):

- December 2011 Update to the Membership - emailed update to the membership covering a variety of topics such as the coaching certification deadline, registrar update, invitational tournament information, save the dates, etc.
- Hockey Night and Day 2012 - volunteers are working on these events, which will be held on February 3-4, 2012. More information to be posted on the HHB website as soon as it's available.
- Team Manager Meetings - Brian Jones and Marc Chorney attended virtually all traveling team meetings at the start of the season. Brian thanked the coaches and parents, as well

as welcomed the players. Marc gave an overview of the training facility proposal and highlighted the timeline that will involve asking parents for their pledges.

- Rules Webpage - considering creating a webpage where we can put links to the rules for USA Hockey, Minnesota Hockey, District 8, as well as the HHB Handbook.
- Will be asking the Board Members and Coordinators for a list of their accomplishments in 2011. There were a lot of new and positive things done this year, on top of all the existing responsibilities. Would like to highlight them in some fashion after the information is collected. An email will be forthcoming on this topic.
- Arena Improvements/Changes -
 - Trophies - Sliv has agreed to put trophies that are won this year in the trophy case in the front lobby as a way to highlight the success of our teams to the extent that space is available. However, teams should also consider giving the trophies to their sponsors if they would be interested in showcasing them.
 - Murals - will be approaching the city with an idea to create a mural in the west arena before the space is covered with ads. May be other places to do murals as well. May propose some other minor changes in the lobby.
 - Coach Lockers - will be approaching the city to consider providing space for metal or wood coach lockers if some can be purchased or acquired.

D8 Update (Brian Dooley):

Meeting on January 11, 2012 in St. Paul Park.

D8 Referee Coordinator Update (Jesse Viall)

No update provided

Director Updates:

Blue Mites: Ryan Stoffel – Brooks reported in Ryan’s absence that things are going well at the Blue Mites level.

Gold and White Mites: Brooks Savage – G&W is pretty much running itself. Parents are running scoreboard and team managers are keeping track of DIBS points.

Squirts: Jim Boogren – Squirts is going well. During the last three days of practice Jim would like to hold an in-house tournament and invite 5 teams from the SE League. Teams would be charged \$200 to participate. Tournament days would be March 2nd – 4th.

PeeWees: Rick Erredge – No issues, it is running fine.

Bantams: Marc Chorney – Things are going well at all levels. There have been no complaints. Rob Alleman has stepped down as head coach of the Bantam C team due to a knee injury. Head coach approval will happen in New Business.

Jr. Gold: Matt Larson – Nothing to report.

Girls: Mike Lavin – Girls is going well. The Sugar & Spice tournament had 28 teams. There were a lot of compliments on how the tournament was run. The fastest skater contest was a huge hit. Jim Foster, the committee members; Jaci Eichen, Lisa Otto and Kris Ries and volunteers did an excellent job. Mike also passed around a thank you note from Edina.

Coaching: Dustin Vogelgesang – Nothing to report

Operations: Paul Huettl – Paul thanked Mike Lavin, Brian Dooley and Brian Jones for their works cleaning out the upstairs. The dry land room is ready for use. Brian Dooley mentioned the idea of putting up a sign-up sheet for scheduling the dry land area. Dry land practices are noisy and should not be scheduled during games.

Volunteers: Lisa Foster – Lisa mentioned that the current system for collecting deposits checks is not working. She will be working with team managers to revise the system. All volunteer positions for the girls and boys tournaments have been filled. Lisa has not received any complaints. Lisa will be keeping an eye out for district tournament postings and will immediately get the word out about volunteer positions.

Technology Update: Jay Stark – Nothing to report.

Registrar Update: Kari Gruden – Kari is waiting on the book for Jr. Gold. All other books are done. Brian Jones thanked Kari for her hard work. Kari also mentioned that all coached must be certified by 12/31/11. She will send out a list of certified and uncertified coaches to all level directors.

Tournament Update: As mentioned in the Girls report the Sugar & Spice tournament was a huge success. Prizes were given for each division winner. Gift bags were handed out. There were lots of comments on the great quality of the bags. In the future any outside food sold during the tournaments will be sold before 10:00 a.m. Only the concession stand will be available after 10:00. Brian will talk to Jim Foster and Sliv about opening up the 2nd window for sales.

Secretary Update: Kellie Sundheim – Nothing to report.

Old Business:

Training Facility: Marc Chorney –

Pledge cards started going out to the membership last week and we are starting to collect completed cards. The goal was to hand deliver and pick up cards to all HHB members. There is a shortage of volunteers so they are hoping to hand deliver 75%.

New Business:

Hockey Night and Day: Brian and Char

Schedule is done. Char is working on festivities for the day with Sliv. More information will be available at the January meeting.

Ice Scheduling Update: Marc Chorney

All schedules are complete as well as the schedule for Hockey Day.

Sponsorship Update: Brian Jones

Sponsorship revenue is at \$14,115. Last minute work by the committee produced added commitments. Members Jodi Buck, Erick Goettl, Randy West and Brian Dooley were an immense help. Water bottles were distributed on picture day. Unfortunately there were a few edits on the bigger bottles. The smaller ones were okay. Getting sponsorships wrapped up before September would be ideal.

Final Coach Approvals: All

Motion by Matt Larson to approve Pat McQuade and Charlie Ratgen as U16 assistant coaches, seconded by Jim Boogren. Motion carried.

Motion by Matt Larson to approve Mike Biskupsky as Jr. Gold assistant coach, seconded by Jim Boogren. Motion carried.

Motion by Rick Erredge to approve Tony Denzer and Jeremy Navarro as assistant PeeWee C coaches, seconded by Brian Dooley. Motion carried.

Motion by Matt Larson to approve Matt Hamann as Bantam C head coach and Lane Cyseiski as assistant coach, seconded by Paul Huettl. Motion carried.

Motion by Jim Boogren to approve Mike Klimek as A Squirt assistant coach, seconded by Brian Dooley. Motion carried.

Motion by Jim Boogren to approve Paul LaCroix as Squirt Gophers assistant coach, seconded by Paul Huettl. Motion carried.

Board Elections: Brian Jones

Elections for open Board positions will be held on Thursday, February 16, 2012 at the Hastings Civic Arena from 6:00-8:00pm. Election information will be posted at the arena, put on the website, and emailed to the membership in early January.

Board Comment:

Membership Comment: None

Adjournment: Jim Boogren made a motion to adjourn at 9:53 pm, second by Brooks Savage. Motion passed.

Next Meeting: January 10, 2011 at 7:00pm

Respectfully submitted by Kellie Sundheim.