**Michigan Senior Women’s Hockey League**

**Board Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, July 10, 2012**

1. Review and approval of 6/12/12 minutes
   1. 7:04, B Ball called to order
   2. Last months minutes approved by all
   3. Present are: Birdie Ball-Pres, Kerri Kelly-VP, Renee, LeBlanc\*-TOT, Michelle Reeve\*-TOT, Ann McMananam\*-Swarm, Sarah Jacobsen-Treasurer, Beth Silvis-Secretary, April Yager-Webmaster, Sherry Henderson-Ice Pack, Val Murray-Ice Pack, & Lisa Dusseau-Cyclones. (\*board members)
2. Sport NGIN online registration update
   1. S Jacobsen contacted NGIN and agreed to pay $400 in order to have NGIN handle our registration. Interested in having a WHAM template for registration. She has forwarded templates to the board for approval.
   2. Players need to register whether they are with a team or not.
   3. 7/31 is the deadline for teams to register. There was discussion on whether we should be flexible on the deadline. B Ball reiterated that the 7/31 deadline is for managers to make a written commitment to field a team. Then they have 2-week leeway to get their players committed.
   4. To register on the league website you only have to pay for the USA hockey registration.
   5. Requirements for the league membership is official registration, team payment to league, and USA registration before their first game, which cannot be played until October
      1. Regarding this S Jacobsen discusses possibility of stating in the “About us” section of the web site:
         1. The time frame the league runs (Oct-March), and cost of team membership ($100, see pg.7, 2012 league rules). Some members think the league membership cost could lead to confusion since it would not include ice time, which varies from team to team.

3. Treasurer’s Report

* 1. Balance $2365.59
     1. 6/21/12 Payment of $17.95 to filesanywhere.com
     2. 6/29/12 Payment of $150 to TST Media
     3. 7/10/12 Payment of $68 to Yager Evolution

1. Division/league updates:
   1. Lisa Dusseau, team manager for the Cyclones. The Cyclones were unhappy getting so badly beaten last season in division 5 and want to drop back down to level 6. They have skill disparity, and the more skilled players are likely to drop out. She states they will have trouble fielding a team if they stay in D5.
      1. B Ball explains that we will have to wait till we see the teams, see who is on them, and then we can take it into consideration.
      2. S Jacobsen says there are teams coming in, teams will be moving up, teams will be moving down.
   2. Discussion about when we are meeting to discuss team placement by division. This will be in September.
   3. The possibility of pushing back individual player registration to august 10 is discussed.

1. How do players put there info on the website if they are looking for a team?
   1. Yager says this is possible under the NEWS tab.
      1. Under NEWS/player team ads.
      2. Hockey personals. Players looking for teams, as well as teams looking for players.
         1. In line with this, S Jacobsen wants Yager to remove old news off to keep the site contemporary.

1. Follow up to E-mails
   1. B Ball has a coach/friend (through Tri-sport) with a Canadian team looking for Division 1 play. Ball thinks this is a good idea, giving the D1 players the option to play non-league scrimmages, but emphasizes that they need to get their USA travel permits in order to get the USA insurance.
   2. There is an email from a player moving to Ludington asking if we know of any women’s teams in that area. League members throw out many options, including calling local rinks and checking via the USA Hockey web site.

1. Round Table
   1. Ruicci was great, great referees, fewer injuries.
   2. USA hockey penalty handouts are passed around
   3. Score sheet changes
   4. Beth has to contact Laurie to book the rest of the year for meetings. Then S Jacobsen will pay L.
   5. It is agreed to continue meeting at Eddie Edgar and to keep the meetings on Tuesday nights. Shall we keep it at Tuesdays?
   6. The meeting to place these seasons’ teams in their division will be Monday, August 31. The location is yet TBD, possible at Pam’s uncle’s restaurant.
   7. Tuesday, September 11, is the league meeting for managers. They need their team registration money, and roster. The mangers from each division will work out the game schedule at this meeting.
   8. The fee this year is $100
   9. Ice Pack representatives have come to see what goes on at the board. Their only question regarding college players-Is there a consideration of the difference between girls that played Division I and girls that played on club teams? B Ball says yes, that is taken into consideration.
2. Ball declares the meeting adjourned at 8:17