

YAIA Board of Directors
August 11, 2011 Monthly Meeting

Present: Rob Barger, Bruce Pokorny, Bryan Schoenfelder, Laura Baumeister, Dave Spencer and Jamie Van Winkle

Absent: Barb Hanson

Guests: Rhonda Schenkel, Kyle Rhode, Sue Stewart, Nancy Wenande, Sherri Koletzky, Tom Curran and Jim Lehl

Treasurer's Report:

Registrar's Report:

We have new registration forms for Hockey, Figure Skating and Learn to Skate.
Registration Dates: Sunday, Sept. 11th and Sunday, Sept. 25th from 5:00pm to 7:00pm.

Mini Mites on up need to register with USA Hockey by that date.

Saturday, Oct. 29th will be the start of Learn to Skate.

Coaching Report:

During the application process for coaches, it had been noted that at least one applicant had failed to disclose an arrest. The coaching committee chair asked the board to consult on how these instances should be handled. The Board of Directors recommended to follow the process laid out in the bylaws and wait for recommendations by the coaching committee.

Bylaws:

Bryan and Nancy both reported on some minor corrections still needed for the document.

Motion by Bruce: To amend the wording in Article IX to "At-will advisors will be appointed by YAIA Board of Directors as needed."

2nd: Dave

Motion passed.

Motion by Dave: To amend Section V, Directors, composition to "maximum of 17."

2nd: Bruce

Motion passed.

Motion by Dave: To approve the bylaws with formatting and grammatical changes forthcoming.

2nd: Rob

Motion passed.

The completed bylaws will be voted on by membership at fall registration.

Fundraising:

Calendars: Committee has received 2 estimates and awaits one more price quote.

Motion by Dave: To have committee get a commitment and have calendars

Printed and ready by Sept. 9th.

2nd: Bruce

Motion passed.

Roller Dames: Scheduling may not allow a fall exhibition.

Cottonwood/Modern Woodmen

Have communicated with Pat/Penny Backman. Do not have a date set.

Motion by Dave: to continue discussion with Cottonwood Corral on fundraising opportunity.

2nd: Bruce

Motion passed.

Rummage Sale: Discussed having it on a Saturday in Oct. No date yet.

Spring Opportunities: Working on other ideas. Possibly having a Pizza Ranch fundraiser and another matching fundraising opportunity with Modern Woodmen.

It was discussed that the organization needs to end the year with a positive balance of approximately \$26,000 to meet next fall's financial obligations.

State Association Meeting:

Sept. 17th in Mitchell. More details to come.

Sioux Falls Geo Split:

Discussed the affect this will have on Yankton Hockey (more teams to play).

Scheduling:

Sept. 21st is Startup date. Ice will be up in 10 days.

Oct. 9th, 16th and 23rd Discover Girl's Hockey (time 1 to 4).

Oct. 29th...1st Open Skate.

Jan. 14th and 15th...Yankton will host Squirt Tournament.

Dave reported on amount of time on ice for different hockey teams.

Marketing/Publicity/Website

Laura shared a hard copy of YAIA website. The goal is to have the site up and running by Sept. 1st.

www.yanktonice.org – is the new address

Registration Notices to be distributed at schools:

1. Registration Days

2. Girl's Hockey Days
3. USD Hockey Camp...3 on 3 at all age levels
4. Discover Hockey...Nov. 5th
5. Open Skate...Oct. 29th

Discussion on distribution of notices to local schools and communities.

The Yankton County Observer is planning to do a feature on YAIA programs.

Equipment:

- New Purchases:
- 1) new skates coming
 - 2) 2 sets of new girls' jerseys (approximately 26)
 - 3) For Squirts...a set of 6 player sticks and 2 goalie sticks
(donated by Yankton 40-8 group)
 - 4) 7 sets of 1 goal equipment

Equipment manager: Randy Eichacker has agreed to this position.

Squirts Committee Report: (Dave)

No State Proposal. So local committee met and has come up with recommendations.

Recommendations:

October: offer opportunity to play 3-3 games consisting of 4 players, 3 – 12 minute periods on ½ ice. USD would possibly run.

November-March: in-house games with 4 teams. Teams to be divided up equally. Games to be played on Saturdays. Games – 3 -12 minute periods with refs on ice, running time and scoreboard.

This schedule offers 7 in-house games, 3 tournaments and 2 other travel games. All out of town travel will be optional.

Discussion and comments from guests.

Motion by Jamie to continue discussion on Squirt Proposal by YAIA board of directors.

2nd: Bruce

Motion passed.

Discussion.

Motion by Jamie to accept and utilize Squirt Proposal for the 2011-2012 season.

2nd: Dave

Motion passed.

Varsity Team Name (Dave)

Discussion to possibly change the Varsity/jr. varsity boys' team name to Yankton Bucks.

Motion by Jamie to change Varsity/Jr. Varsity Boy's Hockey Team name to Yankton Bucks starting the 2011-2012 season.

2nd: Bryan

Motion passed.

New Business:

Girl's Hockey Days – Tom Curran

Discussed dates and will plan to target 1st time girl players.

The dates will be Oct. 9th, 16th and 23rd.

Registration will be on Sept. 25th.

Motion by Dave: Recognize 3 Saturdays in Oct. for Girl's Hockey days for free and we will provide a jersey.

2nd: Rob

Motion passed.

Membership/Player Handbook

Motion by Bruce: Each family with a Youth YAIA registration will have 1 voting membership. If a family would like a 2nd voting membership a separate form will need to be completed with fee paid.

2nd: Dave

Motion passed

Motion by Dave: \$5 fee per voting membership.

2nd: Rob

Motion passed.

Volunteers

We will have sign-ups at registrations.

It will be recommended that each coach hold a team meeting to discuss parents volunteering. A YAIA Board Director will be present.

Concessions

We are still looking for a volunteer to manage the concession stand. Some possible names were mentioned. Board will work on filling position.

Lights/Heating and Exhaust System Guidelines

Discussed handout with states light recommendations, warming house temperatures when not in use, rink seating heat guidelines and locker room heaters. Discussed that these guidelines need to be posted in several locations.

Motion by Bruce: Adopt Lights/Heating and Exhaust System Guidelines as a policy and will be added to the Handbook.

2nd: Rob

Motion passed

Motion by Dave: To approve the funding to fix the inside gates and hinges by Richard List.

2nd: Bruce

Motion passes.

Motion by Dave: To adjourn meeting

2nd: Bruce

Motion passed.

Next Meeting: Sept. 8th at rink.

Respectfully submitted,

Jamie Van Winkle