

## SYHA Board Meeting Agenda

Board Meeting May 16, 2016

**In Attendance:** Deb, Shannon, Dan G., Stacey, Dan M., Randy, Fred, Dave

**Non Board:** John Gauper, Erik Larkowski, Tim Dornseif

### **A. Welcome and President's Message:**

**B. Approve April Minutes:** Green Touch is taking care of lawn this year. Fence on the property line was taken down. Question from Tim Dornseif about double rink facilities for Blaze tournaments. Clarified that we would rather find a building with 2 sheets, as it is easier to manage. No further questions. Dave motioned to approve, Shannon second. Motion approved.

**C. Financial Report:** Camps start up July 12; pushed back from old start date of June (conflicted with summer school). Same amount of sessions, more consolidated. Fall Blaze Cup is at about 35 teams. Dan will work on getting more teams signed up. Financials very similar to what they were last year. Motion to approve, Dan M, Dave second. Motion approved.

**D. Building and Maintenance Report:** Front door that was rusted has been switched. Dan painted the four front doors. Next project is the player benches. New rubber and subfloor. Have to switch out the water heater in the zam room. Dan will take care of that. Always painting to be done. Dan will try to get some of it done, discussion about possibility of hiring kids who can help. Brick wall in front should be painted. Zamboni is running well. Ice is good with new lift bar put in zam.

**E. Committee Report:** D2 President's meeting. Discussion about mites and full ice. No full ice until after February 1. Looking at the number of games they can play after that date. Any rule changes need to be submitted by June 1. Evaluating setting up a B2 level at Squirts. We would be in support of that change. Dan will email to see if we need to attend, if we are in agreement. Struggling with volunteers for the board. May make it mandatory that each association has 1-2 people serve on the board. Rule that where you live/go to school is where you play. No inter-state play, regardless of the reason. D2 board does not hold voting power, only votes to approve rule changes. Fees may change this year. May be redoing the ref contract this year. Fred will check to see what ref rates are. Struggling to get refs. Only head coaches can talk to refs. MN stop signs are required on the backs of jerseys, even practice jerseys. Gentry Academy, tier I hockey charter school. Will be affiliated with Mounds View. Can't play games, will be able to play in tournaments.

D2 wants to make sure that each association has a rep there. Discussion that the girls do not need to send their own rep.

Region 6 meeting; discussion about age change. Will be voted on in August. Need to find a rep to attend the WAHA conference.

Request from mites group to expand goalie gear. Request to invest in some new goalie gear at that level. Cost would be between \$500-700 per set. Two sets will be sufficient for mites. Discussion about gear needed for mites. Discussion about going to play it again/used equipment. We should keep the goalie gear here. Dave will have Moose send Dan an email about cost.

Carpenter's sign/advertisement:

3 year deal at \$600 per year. If they take the 3 year deal, we will offer hole sponsorship at the golf tournament. Randy will prepare and get out within a week.

#### **F. Old Business:**

#### **G. New Business:**

- a. **Discussion about girl's locker room:** Erik Larkowski and John Gauper attended the meeting to discuss the WW Stars Girl's locker room situation. WW Stars HS is moving to Somerset. Athletic Director John Walsh asked about showers and bathrooms. JG acknowledged that the rink isn't obligated and that the school won't pay for it. Team has said shower isn't necessary. Discussion about short term solution for this year and looking long term as we go. Parent group is willing to fundraise/get donations to help with cost. Discussion about location of the locker room in the rink. Should decide and get estimates on cost. Association needs to keep 4 locker rooms. Very expensive to add locker rooms off the back of the building. Some of the parents on the girl's team are in construction, could help with it. Get donations from surrounding home improvement stores, possibly the Legion. If it goes in the north corner, girl's team can use an exterior door. Should have a committee with at least one board member on it and move forward with estimates/materials cost/bids. Randy volunteered to be on the committee to help plan. Needs to be framed in, put a roof on, insulated, decorated, cubbies/lockers. Have electricity run to it, can put heaters down there. Erik will touch base with parents to organize. We cannot build locker rooms out the back at a debt. We should look at getting a committee together to start that long term planning.
  - i. Erik will help Dan with the Blue Line Club planning of the golf tournament. Dan will email Jack and Erik to plan. Discussion about sponsors. This will be a good way to get the girl's blue line club started. For golf tournament, split 50/50. An account for the Girl's blue line club should be set up; Dawn Williams and Britta Hansen are willing to be involved with that. Dan G. sent Kristi a list of items

- they should plan to fundraise for. Discussion about the cost of the girl's program and how those costs are paid.
- ii. Good numbers in all levels but U14's; 10 is the lowest number to field a team. Estimated over 100 girls in the program. Discussion about levels the girls are playing at. D2 wants declarations by September 15. MN has been piloting a U15 level to give girls who aren't picked up for HS another year.
  - iii. Discussion about having 2 teams at the U10 level this coming year. Last year, the U10's had one D2 team, and the other team played a developmental schedule. Discussion about two teams in D2; must follow parity rule. Discussion about goalies at the U10 level.
  - iv. D2 will not accept any inter-state applications. Players must play where they go to school or live.
  - v. Discussion about early registration and tryouts.
  - vi. Discussion about a summer Girl's HS tournament. Clarification on coach contact over the summer. Erik will talk to Dan about that.
  - vii. Comp sheets; we will owe NR about \$100. Should get about \$700 from River Valley. Erik will double check numbers and get back to us.
- b. Board Election results:** Kristi Enger voted in as treasurer (43), Dave Wolner as equipment manager (43), Dawn Slechta as fundraising coordinator (43), Dan Mondor as Vice President, vote was 37-6. Discussion about getting more members involved on the board.
- c. River Valley meeting:** Dan, Dan, and Randy met with River Valley. Looking to start joint skill nights for Squirts and Pee Wee's. This will help families be more comfortable with the co-op at Bantam level. They were going to discuss co-oping again with their board; they are in favor, had good feedback about that at each of the levels. They are going to address issue with some players requesting releases.
- d. Voting time period:** discussed voting time period. Will leave as is in the bylaws.
- e. Pea Soup Days:** June 10-11. Deb will get freezies. Fred will drive the 4 wheeler and trailer. Dan M will provide 4 wheeler and trailer. Will not sell pork chops this year, as we cannot be down by the field. Dan will forward line up information to Stacey; she will send out email to association.
- f. 2+2 challenge:** earned equipment this year. We will sign up for that this year again.
- g. Discussion about WAHA rep voting.** Mike Connors is being challenged this year. Vote takes place at the August meeting.
- h. Pizza fundraisers:** Tim D. asked about accounts and how to access that money. Team managers keep track of accounts. Dan G. has information on what each family has earned. Dan will touch base with Dawn to confirm how much is in each account. Families can use those credits toward whatever they want. Discussion about doing that again next year. Good way for families to offset cost.

Motion to adjourn: Dave, Shannon second. Motion adjourned at 8:36 p.m.