

Verona Wildcats Youth Hockey Association Agenda

Thursday, August 25th, 2016

7:00pm VIA Mezzanine



Present: Meredith Gabler, Jamie Stebbeds, Scott Mirwald, Kari Brotzman, Mike Bakalars, Justin Temple, Jim Martin, Todd Carlson, Josh Biser, Brian Severson, Kristin Simpson, Steve Scadden, Steve Simpson, Earl Tollefson

Call to order – Jamie Stebbeds called to order at 7:14pm

Approve Minutes from the July 2016 Meeting

Motion to approve by Jim Martin, 2nd by Scott Mirwald

Approved unanimously

Josh Biser – LEAD Hockey

Talked to the board regarding working with our association (Squirt, Peewee and Bantam) during the season. He will work with the coaches throughout the season as well as be on the ice with the kids during practice. He will focus on skating skills – building the base skill set of the hockey player. Looking at having him come in and work with each group every other week (for examples, all squirts will practice together once every other week). This is a great opportunity for our skaters.

Ice Inc. Report – Justin Temple

They are working with the club to discuss attendance for the BrewDown – they are going to hand out tickets when the skaters pick up their jerseys at the beginning of the season to help raise attendance (there will be no obligation to purchase if you do not sell). Verona Fest (Sept. 24th)– they will be running the \$10 special again for 4 hours of bouncy houses, and lunch. The Badger game will be in the afternoon and we will do the tailgate during the afternoon. They will also be doing a 3 v 3 tournament during the day. The rink will be re-doing the ice over labor day weekend as well as putting up new boards that were received from the Kohl Center. Looking at putting a roof over the outside rink and moving the sheet inside right now outside. Crossovers will be open next week.

Treasurer's Report – Roxanne Brazeau

Elaine, our accountant has agreed to do the day to day things.

President's Report – Jamie Stebbeds

Attended the Region 4 meeting in early August – it was an informative meeting, major rule change that was discussed that now limits each region to only have 2 teams in the state tournament unless that seat can't be filled, we were awarded our grant check in the amount of \$1000.

Region 4 meetings begin next week, first one being September 21st.

Polar Sports and Middleton reached out and they would like to get together with our association in an informal fashion to network.

Thank you's to Sarah McCabe, Meredith Gabler and Bill and Carmen Buchanan for helping to clean the concession stand, also Matt Gabler for building a new cage in the store room.

Discussed maintaining the appropriate lines of communication.

ACTION ITEMS

- a. Verona Fest – Sept. 24th

Committee Reports and updates

- a. **Fundraising** – Craig Nelson
Kollege Town will open on Sept. 9th with a broader range of price points.
- b. **Equipment** – Tom Osting
Nothing to report
- c. **Coaches Committee** – Steve Simpson
Met on the 9th and talked to Josh Biser. Discussed evaluations during the meeting and they are working on lining up evaluators. The annual coaches meeting will be on Sept. 8th – they will discuss certifications, philosophy, Joel Marshall and Josh Biser will come in to speak and they will also have a guest speaker. Coaches applications need to be turned in by Sept. 13th.
- d. **Ice Scheduler** – Earl Tollefson
Should be able to keep most of the games on the weekends. Try Hockey For Free is Nov. 12th, LTP open House is Oct. 8th.
- e. **Website Update** – Kari Brotzman
Registration is going very well and running smoothly. Working on updating some of the pages on the website. Looking at updating our website for a cost of \$250.
Motion made to approve spending \$250 to update the website and make it more user friendly by Earl Tollefson, 2nd by Scott Mirwald.
Approved unanimously
- f. **Concessions** – Todd Carlson
Added tabs for DIBS – including the DIBS sessions available, a how-to video and a pdf with instructions.
- g. **Registrar's Report** – Mike Bakalars
19 LTP, 16 U6, 27 RWB, 30 Squirts, 39 Peewee, 11 Bantam signed up to date
- h. **Tournament Coordinator**
We will be hosting the Squirt B State Tournament this year.
- i. **Recruitment** – Kristin Simpson
Try Hockey For Free Nov. 12th
LTP Open House Oct. 8th
Homecoming is Sept. 30th
Signs are out and there are ads in the Verona Press
- j. **Goalie DoJo** – Greg Ziegelbauer
Nothing to report, update goalie page
- k. **Update from ALD's**
LTP – Nothing to report

U6 – Nothing to report

RWB – Nothing to report

Squirt – All is good

Peewee – 39 registered players

Bantam – Not pursuing players, they will have 1 Bantam team this year. 14 skaters and 1 goaltender. Have a possible transfer from Evansville?

HS – Nothing to report

Old Business

New Business

a. Transfers

Motion to release 3 Bantam level skaters by Earl Tollefson, 2nd by Scott Mirwald; approved unanimously

Motion to allow all out of district skaters to try-out for our association by Scott Mirwald, 2nd by Jim Martin; 1 abstained, 11 yes – motion approved

Motion amended to affect skaters at the Squirt and Peewee Levels

b. Motion made to close Bantam registration by Kari Brotzman, 2nd by Earl Tollefson; approved unanimously

Motion to Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Mike Bakalars, 2nd by Steve Scadden

Meeting adjourned at 9:40pm