

The Rockford Hockey Association (RHA) Board of Directors met Thursday, March 2, 2017 at 8:00PM at Cedar Rock Sports Plex. The meeting was called to order at **8:08 pm** by Craig McPhee.

Roll Call:

PRESENT: Craig McPhee, Erin Weber, Dave Ezell, Donielle Austin, Casey LaMore, Jason Hodel

ABSENT: Chuck Veen, Ryan Seauvageau, Tom Marchlewski, Ken Sergott, Dennis Santos

GUESTS: Teresa Boyer

Meeting Minutes: Erin will send out this weekend.

Open Membership Forum:

Committee Reports:

MAHA – Jason Hodel – Registrar was supposed to send out an email for playmaker, hat trick and shutouts. Coaching: Will have early clinics next season for level #2 and #3 on August 13, 2017 at Davenport. Level#1 will be September 17, 2017 at Davenport. One goal grant ready for next season. Deadline is June 1, 2017.

ADRAY – Dennis Santos – Kevin Wood praised the ADRAY tournament.

Marketing/Growth – Casey LaMore – Biggest THFF event to date with 76 participants! The next day, had 11 walk-ups for LTS/LTP and registered for the program. One PW and one Bantam who came out. Bantam player might be a good fit for next season's Rec League. Several registrations from outside of Rockford at this THFF. Working on spring league registrations.

Policies/Compliance – no report.

Director Reports.

General Manager/Ice – Chuck Veen – Calendar is updated based on what we know at this point. Evaluations are scheduled. Working with Ric on spring ice rates. Once games are set, need to discuss ref scheduling.

Coaching Commissioner – Dave Ezell – Confirmed that Jason Hodel will schedule the spring league, and D. Ezell will support as needed/requested. Jason Hodel, Ken Sergott, Josh Boyer, and Mike Meachum will coach Squirts. Brant Morgan will coach PeeWee B. Tim Goheen will coach PeeWee A; Dave Ezell will coach PeeWee AA. Jimmy Keiling and Tim Kelley will coach Bantam.

Need a better way to recruit and confirm LTS/LTP. LTS 38 last week (plus a few others). LTP numbers are under 15. We need from Mark Izzard what he needs for help on the ice. Need a better process for bringing players up from LTS to LTP and LTP to Mites.

Travel tryouts for fall teams will be the first week of May. Dave will talk with coaches about scheduling preferences.

Treasurer – Ryan Seauvageau – no report.

Registrar – Tom Marchlewski – no report.

Secretary – Erin Weber – Current nominations: General Manager: Chuck Veen; Secretary: no nominations; Registrar: Tom Marchlewski; Member at Large: Josh Boyer, Paul Laverell, Jim Raguckas, Jerry Smith. Current annual meeting volunteers: 3 for set-up and 3 for clean-up.

President – C. McPhee – Contacted by Jean Bina about the Rockford Sports Booster's hanging flower basket fundraiser.

Members at Large –

Donielle Austin – **Hat Trick Raffle**: sold 740 raffle tickets (597 sold last year); Mites won the pizza party. Oliver Anes sold 46 tickets. PWB came in 2nd. Caden Obetts sold over 30 raffle tickets. **Golf Outing**: Asked about dates for next year. Suggested the weekend after Labor Day at North Kent. Donielle will head up the golf outing. Paul Laverell suggested an adults-only wine tasting.

Casey LaMore – Linda from Cedar Rock Skating Academy did a Groupon for Cedar Rock SportsPlex (\$28 for 6 sessions). Had one family attend LTS/LTP using aforementioned Groupon.

Ken Sergott – No report.

Old Business.

- Spring League –From Jason: Blades, GRAHA, Fox, Walker, RAMS, and Holland. Will host either Squirt or PeeWee tourney at the Plex. Need to negotiate ice fees and block off weekend. Birthday party was on the CRSP calendar on Saturday. Will get team counts later in March. Two weekends of games and then tournament. Currently 27 players registered for spring.

New Business.

- Safety Coordinator – Craig McPhee – asked Teresa Boyer to join us to share with us what has been done regarding safety/return to play protocol. Coaches and managers will be trained at the beginning of the season. See attached draft (handout from T. Boyer). Board members discussed past experiences and suggested revisions to the draft. Board unanimously approved appointment of Teresa Boyer as the association's safety coordinator.

Communication.

Upcoming Board Meetings:

Conference call – Monday, March 13, 2017 at 8:30pm

Annual meeting – Monday, March 27, 2017 at 6:00pm at Rockford Sportman's Club

Conference call – Monday, April 10, 2017 at 8:30pm

Board meeting – Monday, April 25, 2017 at 8:00pm at CRSP

Conference call – Monday, May 8, 2017 at 8:30pm

Board meeting – Monday, May 22, 2017 at 8:00pm at CRSP

Conference call – Monday, June 12, 2017 at 8:30pm

Board meeting – Monday, June 26, 2017 at 8:00pm at CRSP

Meeting adjourned at 10:37pm by Craig McPhee.