

# MINUTES

## **Oregon Hockey Board**

*July 20, 2011*

Chris Byrne called the meeting to order at 8:07 p.m.

### **In attendance:**

Margaret Straub  
Kristin Buskager  
Jim Killerlain  
Jim Torpy  
Sandy Vanko  
Chris Byrne  
Jeff Groenier  
Jacque Robson  
Dan Hefty  
Jeff Rohrer  
Randy Karls

### **Not in Attendance:**

Tom Ayers  
Brenda Johll

The minutes from 5/23/11 meeting were reviewed by Sandy Vanko; a typo was noted by Margaret Straub for correction. A motion was made by Kristin Buskager with a 2<sup>nd</sup> from Margaret Straub for approval. All were in favor.

### **OCSA Update:**

1. Jeff Groenier shared with the group that it has been a hard summer on the building; the clients using the facility aren't leaving it in the same order. Finding damage to the carpet, locker rooms, etc. The OCSA Board has decided that we are going to start assessing these groups' fees for the damage that is occurring when their groups are using the facility. Jeff also indicated that they are looking into the possibility of installing video cameras.
2. Storage Cages: In the process of organizing the upstairs area and would like to lock much of the equipment stored in this area. Code requires open storage. Would like to purchase 3 cage areas that would then have locks on them. Would like to ask OHI for help towards the purchase of these storage fences, looking at approximately \$200 each.

A motion was made by Jacque Robson to approve an amount not to exceed \$600 towards the purchase the storage cages. A 2<sup>nd</sup> was made by Sandy Vanko. A question was asked by Randy Karls regarding the future use of the space and will these then no longer be needed. Jeff indicated that there are no other plans for use of that space. All voted in favor of the motion.

3. Carpet Replacement: Carpet has become worn, especially this summer as noted above. OCSA has been looking into replacing the carpet with rubber similar to what was installed around the rink area. Working with Floor 360 to get it directly from the supplier, we as an organization would need to do all of the removal and installation. We would then be able to use our currently cleaning machine to clean on a regular basis. Jeff explained the differences in cost and durability. Margaret Straub asked about the longevity of the product? Jeff indicated that we were looking at a commercial brand. Kristin Buskager asked what other ice

arenas are using – Waunakee or MIA? Waunakee installed the product we are looking at and MIA is currently using carpet tiles.

Jeff indicated the cost to be approximately \$3,000. He then indicated that at present OCSA is looking for donations or any assistance that this Board may wish to provide towards the purchase. They would like to have completed prior to the season beginning. They will also be looking for volunteers to assist in the removal and installation.

Jim Killerlain then asked what were they really looking for, the full amount? Margaret Straub wanted to hear the Treasurers Report before making any comments.

Jim Torpy said he would share that with everyone, but felt that personally it needs to get done. Margaret continued to express her concern with our Board not leaving enough of a cushion as we continue to move forward with limited fund raising. Kristin asked Jeff at this point if they had any method to pay for the rubber. Jeff indicated at this point, today, no, not really. Presently have Clean Gear equipment on EBay which will generate some income, no sure exactly how much.

Chris Byrne suggested that we table this discussion for our next meeting, once we have had time to hear the Treasurers Report and hear any other additional expenses we may be anticipating. The company will need a 2 week lead time to get product.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

1. Jim Torpy shared that at present all of our obligations have been paid and we are showing approximately \$16,500 in our checking, with an additional \$22,800 in our CD/Zamboni Fund (\$10,000 of this amount is committed to the Zamboni Fund). Question as asked again for what we earned from the April fund raiser – Jim indicated approximately \$11,500.

Randy Karls made motion to approve the Treasurers Report, Margaret Straub 2<sup>nd</sup>. All were in favor.

### **High School Update:**

1. Introductions – Chris Byrne introduced the two new high school head coaches – Rick Fleming and Brad Mastenbrook. Rick and Brad shared with the group their backgrounds, as well as their goals for Oregon youth and high school hockey.
2. Wish List – Brad shared with the group their wish list to make this the best experience we can for these high school hockey players.
  - **Players Lounge** – they would like to create an area for players to congregate and hang out to create a chemistry that makes a team, which can prove to be a huge factor in their success. This would involve knocking out a wall in the currently locker room and moving some lockers.
  - **New Jersey** – they would like to purchase at least one set if not two, using the new logo. They have suggested the idea of selling the existing jerseys and use that money towards this purchase. Looking at a cost of approximately \$125 per jersey.
  - Video equipment/camera and computer – film is a big part of our coaching, breaking it down and sharing with the players.

Brad shared that he had some fund raising ideas that would be used towards offsetting some of these expenses, but would need to look to this group for help in these purchases.

The question was asked with regards to a total? At this point they did not have a total. Chris Byrne asked them to go back and come up with a cost and present at our next meeting.

### **Youth Program Update:**

1. Dan Hefty shared with the group that at their Youth Board has spent much time interacting on how they can improve the program to better support the USA Hockey goals. They have spoke with Rick and Brad about their involvement with the coaches committee, as well as educating parents about the game of hockey at registration.
2. Working on flyers that will go out the 1<sup>st</sup> week of school. Jeff and Jacque will be working to help with the distribution of them.
3. Fundraiser – discussed the need to have money coming in to one big pot and then to keep folks informed of how the money will be used, rather than each group doing their own fund raiser. Educating the youth parents on the purpose of fund raising and that the money is not just going to high school, but rather to all aspects of the organization. Dan suggested the need for a sub-committee compromised of individuals from youth and OHI to make a list of all fund raising options and coming up with a calendar for planning. The Ads for the High School program would be a great opportunity to become part of a larger subcommittee. Jacque Robson will work on setting up a meeting.
4. Registration – anticipating 2 squirts, 2 Pee Wees, 1 Bantam and the U8 program.
5. We will be hosting Bantam 3A State Tournament, plus 2 other tournaments.
6. Been having discussions with WAHA about the possibility of moving up to a level 2.
7. Heads up that we will be coming to the Board for possible help with:
  - Coaching Package – gear, manuals, etc. (\$100/coach)
  - Rec League – Marty Verhagen’s project. Targeting 3<sup>rd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> graders. Chance to let kids who are in other sports try hockey, may need help with equipment to support.
8. Looking at an Adopt a Player Program – way to keep alumni involved, supporting younger players.

### **Recruiting/Fund Raising:**

1. Jacque Robson indicated that she is not really sure what she is suppose to be doing in this role and feels that she needs some direction. She has tried to speak with the youth representative, but they have not been able to connect and never got in touch prior to the soccer tournament to do the sno-cone machine.

Dan Hefty indicated that he is trying to get a list of all dues reduction/fund raising activities. He is having Katrina from the youth group put together a binder for future reference.

### **Apparel:**

1. With regards to Old Business, Chris was in touch with Ben Cowan. Ben indicated that we only sold approximately \$1800 last year; our cut would have been 10% of that figure. Still working to get this ironed out.
2. Kristin shared information from a vendor in DeForest, Expertise. They would be willing to put together a flyer to promote, with website access. She will be speaking with him soon and share information at our next meeting. Brad Mastenbrook also shared that he has a friend that is in the business, Impact Sports and might be willing to provide apparel.

3. Chris also felt that someone should speak with Sport Products in town. The group decided that we should seek input from as many vendors as possible to get the best products at the lowest cost.

**Website:**

1. Chris shared that they have a meeting next Monday with Tony Andriacci. Jeff Rohrer is doing his best to keep the current site updated. They would like a new look.

Next Meeting 8/11/11 at 7:00 p.m. at OCSA.

Meeting adjourned at 10:07 p.m. – Motion made by Karls, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Torpy.