

**2022-2023 Cottage Grove Hockey Association  
CGHA Board Meeting**

September 12, 2022 – West Rink Meeting Room

**Board Members (X = Present):**

President: Chris Rudh	X	Bantam Director: Josh Munger	X	Mini Mite Director: Dave O'Brien	X
Vice Pres. Ops: Matt McMorrow	X	Peewee Director: Chris Westphall	X	Girls Program Director: Dave Joslin	X
Vice Pres. Admin: Brian Buffie	X	Squirt Director: Brenton Clyne	X	Girls 8U Director: Tyson Terry	X
Registrar: Tom Wassmund		Mite Director: Al Schumacher	X	Hockey Director: Nick Harris	X
Budget Director: Diana Chance	X				

**Non-voting (X = Present):**

Communications: Kevin Bensen	X	Fundraising: Andrea Erickson	X	Tournaments: <i>OPEN</i>	
Junior Gold Director: Chad Rediske	X	Ice Manager: Matt McMorrow	X	Mite Equipment: Nicole Tvedt	X
Apparel Manager: <i>OPEN</i>		HockeyFest: <i>OPEN</i>		D8 Liason: Dan Olson	
Webmaster: Steve Frosch	X				

**Meeting Start:**

- Meeting called to order at 7:07PM

**Committee Reports:**

- Recruiting (Dave O'Brien):
  - Focus on Try Hockey for Free
  - Emailing membership asking members to bring a friend
  - Looking for help from high school to have a couple of skaters present to help
  - Dave will reach out to Mike Post for Girls
- Equipment (Nicole Tvedt):
  - Letterman has limited equipment available to purchase
  - Looking into alternatives from other suppliers to fill needs
  - May be looking to get rid of some old equipment that is no longer needed or suitable for use.
- Goalies (Brian Buffie):
  - Two girls U10 goalies will be waived in
  - Goalie clinics running. Attendance good so far.
  - Tryouts start September 22
  - No available equipment at this time.

- HockeyFest / Jamboree(s) (*OPEN*):
  - Second weekend of December (9, 10, 11) for Mite Jamboree
  - HockeyFest planned for February 25
  
- Fundraising (Andrea Erickson):
  - Jersey sponsor has been found to replace jerseys for some Mite levels
  - Looking for ideas suggestions to thank sponsors for their contributions
  - Talking to past donors for sponsorships on the calendars
  - Looking at possible sponsorships for the new dryland facility
  
- Ice Manager (Matt McMorrow):
  - Waiting on finalization of teams by level
  - Working on skills sessions
  - Tournaments need to be finalized
  
- Tournaments (*OPEN*):
  - Still looking for a tournament director
  - DIBS need to be made available for October tournament
  
- Volunteer / Dibs (Linnea Gamache):
  - N/A
  
- Communications (Kevin Bensen):
  - Approve August Meeting Minutes
    - Motion by: Brian Buffie
    - Second by: Dave Joslin
    - All Approved
  - Updated calendar on CGHA site with all board meetings for year.
  - January 2 Board Meeting -> Move to January 9
  
- Webmaster (Steve Frosch):
  - Need more news articles on the CGHA site
  - News articles can be sent to Steve and he will get them online
  
- District 8 Rep (Dan Olson):
  - Home schooled kids will follow their home address for association assignment. Online school attendance does NOT allow for hockey registration in the online school district.
  - If you become aware of any skater with a permanent address in your association area that has left the state to play, you will need to make Rak aware so that proper Interstate waivers can be in place.

- School waivers need to be done before skaters go on the ice except for CO-OP teams. Those waivers can be completed after teams are placed.
- Once a waiver has been approved, it is good for as long as the skater is still skating. v. Have registrars go through all waivers and weed out former skaters who are no longer active in your association and let Rak know so he can take those waivers out of his system too.
- Edgumbe Bantam C & two C Peewee teams approved for league play.
- Forest Lake & White Bear Bantam AA/Peewee AA approved for 22-23 league play. Reevaluated next season.
- Discussion around jamboree and scrimmage policies. If there is any confusion as to what needs to be considered sanctioned and who you can invite, see MN Hockey rules for explanation or talk to Rak.
- Coaches on the ice without a helmet – D8 will fine \$500 for first offense, \$1000 for second, \$2500 for the third. They could be suspended for 30 days by MN hockey

### **Board Member Reports:**

- Registrar/Administrator (Tom Wassmund):
  - Working on getting Team Genius set up for tryouts.
  - Spreadsheet is updated on Google Docs.
  - There is currently an issue with SafeSport, it is not working. People have to go through USA Hockey website when they get it working. DO NOT go through SafeSport website as they do not talk to each other.
    - Coaches should not be on the ice without background check or SafeSport
    - All board members need to do SafeSport and make sure they have a current background check
  
- Budget Director (Diana Chance):
  - Actual financial results as of 8/31/2022 are consistent with the draft 2022/2023 budget:
    - About \$4K ahead of budget for player registration fees
    - Costs of attending tournaments are about \$4K below budget, attributable to timing difference vs. budget as we still have some tournaments to register for
    - Registration fees collected for hosted tournaments is on budget
  - Level directors have been sent list of players with unpaid amounts from prior season that are not eligible for tryouts until paid
  - Approve the 2022/2023 budget for the season with addition of the misc equipment expense of \$35,000.
    - Motion by: Brian Buffie
    - Second by: Dave Joslin
    - All Approved
  
- Junior Gold Director (Chad Rediske):

- 2 Information sessions this week to confirm anticipated turnout.
- Trying to get in touch with Woodbury and Hastings to gain interest on developing a JGA team - probably for next season.
- Bantam Director (Josh Munger):
  - Clinics start in less than two weeks followed by tryouts
    - Pools will be out within a week
- PeeWee Director (Chris Westphall):
  - Evaluators found for tryouts
  - Working on two additional tournaments
  - Finishing preparation for tryouts/scrimmages
- Squirt Director (Brenton Clyne):
  - Numbers are looking good
  - Six teams this season, goalies are good
  - Tournaments all set
  - Tryouts one month away
    - Evaluators set
    - Working on teams and refs for scrimmages
- Mite Director (Al Schumacher):
  - Currently at 53 registered as of meeting (projecting 85-90)
  - Teams
    - 1 - T4
    - 2 - T3
    - 3 - T2
    - Discussion about whether to have 1 Tier 1 team or 4 Tier 2 teams
  - Working on jerseys with MM and Girls.
  - Signed up for a couple tournaments
    - Edina T4/T3
  - Start Week prior to Halloween
    - 1 Clinic, 2 Evals
- Mini Mite Director (Dave O'Brien):
  - Between 20-25 kids per level so far
  - Surge expected later this month
- Girls Program Director (Dave Joslin):
  - Getting ready for tryouts
  - Co-op structure in place for 12's and 15's
  - Numbers have come in close to expected at all levels

- Girls Program 8U Director (Tyson Terry):
  - 64 registered as of meeting date
  - Numbers are a little light but plenty of time yet
  - Making sure teams have tournaments
  
- Hockey Committee (Nick Harris):
  - Prepping for tryouts. Working with level directors on numbers and appropriate number of ice hours.
  - Finalizing skills that will be evaluated
  - Butch is scheduled through the end of February for Skills sessions.
  
- Vice President of Administration (Brian Buffie):
  - Finalizing an agreement for the girls co-op teams.
  - Apparel store will be run for girls co-op team merchandise.
  
- Vice President of Operation (Matt McMorrow):
  - Nothing new
  
- President (Chris Rudh):
  - Dryland area is progressing well. This week they will be working on lighting and sprinklers. Weight room equipment is ordered and hopefully can be installed soon when rubber flooring is installed.
  - DIBS hours available to help with completion of dryland area (Installing Netting, floors, etc..)

### **New Business:**

- Chad Rediske brought up question on management of social media maintenance for association.
  - Communications director will be given access to update Facebook page but all questions should be directed back to person requesting submissions.

### **General Membership Concerns / Discussion:**

- None

### **Adjournment:**

- Meeting adjourned at: 8:16PM
  - Motion by: Brian Buffie
  - Second by: Matt McMorrow
  - All Approve

