

Ely Blue Line Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, October 2, 2024, 5pm- Arena

MEETING CALL TO ORDER: 5:02pm

ROLL CALL: Joseph, Nicole, Anna, Scott, April, Kevin, Jake, Jackie, Tim, Allie, Jeremy, Sandy

AGENDA ADDITIONS & DELETIONS: no

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Change 20 hours to 20 weeks in Sept meeting minutes- Motion by Scott, second by Kevin

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT: Scott supplied report- Motion by Jeremy, second by Kevin

TREASURER'S REPORT: Scott- spoke w/ tax person, they'll get them completed.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Joseph attended the district mtg. Fees- mite \$100, Squirts up \$175. Ref evaluator \$25.00 per team- random throughout the season (5 teams). Tournament draw- ME passed on hosting, Hibbing hosting the B1, Greenway B2. Ely took the 12U B- weekend of 2/14-2/16- still only has 3 teams, will play 3 or 4 games per team.

Game sheet codes were sent out, keep scheduling like last year, Ipad code is the same, Squirts & PeeWees entered from last year, will add Bantams. Joseph will update rosters as we get them with jersey numbers. Going from 4 down to 3 regions for Bantam and PeeWee levels. Big change will be district level tournaments for Squirt teams- same weekend of regions A & B teams. I'Falls A, GR taking Squirt B- 2/28-3/2. Association with AA HS will now have AA youth teams. Might start reducing teams going to regions- now big push for redistricting Districts 11 & 12, combining the two. Unsure of when this change will take effect.

If Peewee does the B2 tournament, or if they compete for district, need to know by the end of Dec.

Mite summit coming- 10/27 open to first 80 mites that register, unknown of what it pertains to- clinic, on ice, etc. at MEC.

Squirts in districts- try and play the games to enter into districts- play each team twice if possible.

COACHES REPORT: No changes, have had a couple bites with college kids to help with Squirts, nothing in stone yet. Possibility to ask Clint Gregory to help, possibly Andy Vogl too.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

ARTICLE 5 POLICY MANUAL: table

ARENA SCHEDULE FOR BABBITT: April- posted schedule for Babbitt for time being through Dec 1. M & MM will start two weeks after camp/captains practice. Possible to try THFF on 11/2 with MM practice to try and get a couple more kids to register.

ARENA CLEAN-UP DAY- 10/6/24 @ 8AM-4PM; LAST MINUTE UPDATES/SUPPLIES: Kevin will talk to Tim Leeson tomorrow, check with FB coaches to clean up gear before Sunday.

OPEN FORUM:

NEW BUSINESS:

NON-ELY PLAYERS ATTEND GOALIE PRACTICE: Allie- while at the goalie academy in Chisholm with Derek, had another parent ask about having a child come from another area to goalie camp (ME 1st year squirt). Referencing Charlie coming previous years while skating at ME, Charlie paid \$25. No objection to declining having kids from outside organizations at this time, our current goalie camp program is full.

2024-25 CONTRACT WITH SCHOOL: Contract needs to be updated to list Jackie as secretary vs Jen. Ask school for an updated copy of bond

payments and final payments- need the end date of payment needed. Contract states arena manager and integrated schedule- change to arena scheduler in contract, with arena manager having final say in schedule.

JERSEY ORDER SUBMITTED- SECOND ORDER DATE IF NEEDED: Janine not present. Asked Janine to order 2 extra for each level

REGISTRATION/JERSEY/OTHER UNPAID FEES: if hours are not completed, check will get cashed. All jerseys but one is paid. If registration from last year is still owed, they are not eligible until that is paid.

LEARN TO SKATE/THFF: Sam is coordinating LTS, with Rachel helping. Allie will ask a new mom- Nicole Roy with a skater in mini-mites. THFF Nov 2nd. Joseph will contact Sam to start planning for 11/2- time TBD, will need more hands on deck, advertise for it, Jackie can inform schools. PeeWee & Bantams maybe HS kids to help too. Danielle & Jen will send messages in TR to have kids help as well.

COACHES JACKETS: Tim will ask Range Sports in Hibbing, will put a message out for the need of a new jacket. Aaron possibly needs one as well.

HOST 12U B TOURNAMENT: Allie met a female hockey player from Boston, talking about the arena, she knows MN women playing PWHL Frost and will see if can get something for the tournament. 3 people approached to help with Howler, and will see about having them help with this tournament as well.

UPDATE CONTACT ON SPORTS ENGINE SITE/EMAIL: update to Scott's info as the treasurer. Also the main email is elyyouthhockey@gmail.com. Sports Engine, no news if the new contract is out or updated pricing.

SQUIRTS DISTRICTS RULES/CLARIFICATION: Try to play teams within the district. Usually play each team twice, once home and once

away. Can find other teams to play as well, but play teams in our district if possible.

ANNUAL TASK CALENDAR- OCT:

ARENA STAFF TRAINING: Terry & Dave, no new training needed at this time. Terry will start in the arena tomorrow- 10/3.

MANDATORY PARENT MEETING/TRAINING FOR VOLUNTEER SHIFTS: MTG HELD 9/26/24- went well with splitting Bantams & PeeWee first and then lower levels. Parent Reps check with parents who want to start helping when practice starts, sign up for concessions and such.

SET PAY FOR OFFICIALS: table for Nov meeting, has not seen any new pricing as of yet. Usually we pay \$5 over what the set pay is. Pushing for Bantams and higher for 3 refs on ice for games. Brianna may potentially ref this year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Nothing from Nicole for fundraising.

Allie with tournaments- checking to see if HS game has been moved as it is 2pm Saturday game the weekend of the Howler. April confirmed it has been moved to 6pm- will check to see if that game can be in Babbitt. 6 Mite teams, might cap at 6 teams. 6 Mini's so far, maybe get 2 more teams for Minis so we would like 8 teams for half-sheet of ice.

Friday is red & white day to post to get kids to wear hockey jerseys for homecoming- April to post on all TR pages, might prompt more kids to join.

CORRESPONDENCE:

NEXT MEETING: Nov 6th @ GEL

ADJOURN: 6:42 motion by Scott, second by Jeremy