



# Waukesha County Youth Hockey Association Minutes – February 2015

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## **Introductions**

- Jeff Glaspy, VP On Ice
- Kathleen McKnight, VP Off Ice
- Carrie Konopacki, Treasurer
- Susan Eutizzi, Secretary
- Scott Danielson, Bantam Level Director
- Dawn Duellman-Arndt, Pee Wee Level Director
- Paul Kasprowicz, Squirt Level Director
- Jesse Wilder, Mite / Mini-Mite Level Director

*Kevin Wilderman, President – Absent*

## **January Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer reviewed report for January. Anyone interested in obtaining a copy of the Profit and Loss Statement for WCYHA, should submit the request to Treasurer, Carrie Konopacki.

- Motion to Approve (Danielson)
- Second (Glaspy)

## **Old Business**

## **New Business**

## **Regional Playoff Results**

Playdown results – 9 of 12 WCYHA teams are going to state

Fees are \$750 to go, plus an additional \$100 for play downs – money has been accounted for, but it is important to recognize the costs involved for sending the team.

## **Tournament Updates**

Bantam B – March 14-15, 2015 Waukesha will be hosting. All of the volunteer duties were allocated, but there are still more volunteer options. There will larger Auction items – we need penalty box attendants for the whole tournament.

MM / Mite Update – all of the USA hockey rosters have been received, need volunteers so please look at the sign-up genius to sign up. Another email reminder will be sent out to encourage people to sign up. Skills competition will be an obstacle course and speed. Try Hockey for Free will be at Nag on the Saturday of the tournament, with a game before. If you need a flyer, send an email to Jesse (MM/M level director) to obtain more copies.

## **Future State Tournament Bids**

We need to determine what four teams for the 2017 state tournaments. Waukesha gets 4 bids.

Motion to apply for Squirt A, Pee Wee A, Bantam A, and Squirt B. It cost \$100 to bid. But the decision is based on a draw.

## **Finalize End of year Survey**

Survey questions - please submit any ideas on questions to ask for the end of the year survey.

Add information to clarify who the coaches are for the coaches' questions.

Reminder for constructive feedback on the survey – no personal attacks (those would be thrown out)

Only one respondent per family

Consider putting more emphasis that families need to complete the survey – the importance of it and why providing feedback is important. Decisions are made based on the survey – so the responses that provided by families is important. It doesn't take long to complete.

## **Coaching Applications**

CC Representatives are determined in May and coaching applications are in August.

## **Procedures for Registration**

At this time we do not plan on making any changes to the registration process, which will open in July.

## **President Update**

No update

## **VP Off Ice Update**

Region 5 Meeting Update

- Prior to play downs – proof of age on the rosters, all but 4 players were verified. All of the 4 players will need to bring their birth certifications to state, just like play downs. They were all squirts.

- Would like to get birth certificates verified during the Mite /MM Tourney but may not be possible given the demands of the tournament. Try to get the Mite 2's so it is done prior to next season. Otherwise, it should be done at the parents meeting.
- Referees – We have a 12% decline on referees in the state of Wisconsin. There is Sunday session in August (on WAHA) for certification – children just need to be age 12 by the end of November
- Growth in other Region 5 Associations
  - U6 Players – Fond Du Lac 117 U6 (348 skaters)
    - At FDL, they do not pay any fees. They also supply the equipment with the exception of sticks and skates.
  - Winter Club– 65 U6 (293 skaters)
  - Ozaukee – 65 U6 (290 skaters)
  - Waukesha – 36 U6 (265 players)
- Capture the Learn to Skate kids early within the Association by going to the Learn to Skate program. Bigger focus also on recruiting girls for expansion of girl's hockey.
- You can contact USA Hockey to determine if there is some grant money for equipment – the cost is very prohibitive. If we have 50 sets of gear, that is great way to get a kids. It benefits the rinks to grow hockey to increase membership.
- There was 7 teams that went to Eagle River to play pond hockey – the WAHA board was there and the Stanley Cup
- Peter Dale Farm Tough Team – won the 40+ group, all but one skaters were from Waukesha
- Congratulations to Waukesha Wings are the Conference Champions

## **VP On Ice Update**

No update

## **Bantam Update**

One error in the WAHA website, but it has since been fixed

## **Pee Wee Update**

No update

Congrats to the Pee Wee C Black for going to state

## **Squirt Update**

Great support at Wilson Park – all of the Squirts stayed to watch the games during Playdowns.

## **Mite / Mini-Mite Update**

No update

## **Misc. Updates**

Annual WAHA meeting in Wausau – it is a great workshop combined with the annual meeting 7/31-8/1 at the Jefferson Inn.

Discussion about having a different approach to Wild Card slots – 2<sup>nd</sup> place team would have to play against another 2<sup>nd</sup> place team from another region to get the Wild Card spot. A letter will be going out from Region 5 to WAHA – the vote will be held at the Wausau meeting. Plus another discussion about not having teams that are within the Association to play one another.

Team rules within WAHA – if you have 4 teams you have to have 1 A, 1 B, and 2 C teams. But other Associations will have 2 B teams, but then decide to make one a C team.

The verbal approval was from the County to purchase the cross-ice boards. They are discounted currently, and we need to make the decision. For both rinks – includes shipping and cart. Need to verify - \$5,550 (Eble) and \$6,200 (Nag) – expectation would the County would pay ½. The monies from the M / MM could be used to offset the costs.

Motion to vote up to 2 cross-boards, the caveat on the fire marshal approval – all were in favor.

***Meeting adjourned***

***Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 11 at 7 PM at the Wildwood Lodge.***