

Bismarck Hockey Boosters Board Agenda
Monday, June 11th, 2018
5:30pm VFW Arena

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Hether Welle
Savanah Cantleberry
Adam Frykman
Kurt Chaffee
Ryan Johnson
Brad Feldman
Kristi Anderson-Schmidt
Tim Sass
Nicole Hafner
Chris Gable
Dave Lewis

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Michael Gilbertson

OTHER MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mike Wald
Mikayla Jablonski Jahner
Kaine Martell

Old Business

- Heather Welle called meeting to order at 5:30pm
- Nicole Hafner moves to approval May minutes; Dave Lewis seconds motion; no further discussion; motion carries
 - Summer ice registration is open; Goalies are free, please contact Mikayla Jablonski-Jahner to get registered
 - Summer program starts July 2nd and run through August 6th Monday – Thursday
- Bylaws and Handbook Updates are still being worked on
 - Plan is to have more discussion on handbook updates, so updated handbook will be available after regular season registration but done before regular season starts
 - It was proposed to have all names taken out of the handbook and just put position in place of names so it won't have to be updated unless a change is needed and voted on
 - All documents that are signed by hand during regular season registration is planned to be included with online registration this year
- Volunteer Program/DIBS discussion
 - Hours are still being discussed will depend on membership numbers and home tournaments game count and will be based on how it was ran last year.
 - Idea is:
 - Box workers must be 18 years of age
 - Concession volunteers should be accompanied by a parent
 - Squirt age or older in the concessions and no cooking or working the money box
 - Concession contract is in place for 2 years

- Refund Policy has a few verbiage changes; Kristi Anderson-Schmidt motions for approval of verbiage changes and Brad Feldman seconds motion; motion carries
 - All changes will be reflected in new handbook and will be updated by Mikayla Jablonski-Jahner
- Upcoming Tournaments – times and dates are still being finalized to suite all teams and levels but the following are the statues:
 - Fargo International Tournaments
 - 15U in Fargo International Tournament
 - 12UB in Fargo International Tournament
 - 10UB and 12UA are on a waitlist for Fargo International Tournament
 - 2 Squirt A teams in Fargo Squirt International Tournament
 - 2 Squirt B1 teams in Fargo Squirt International Tournament
 - 4 Squirt B teams in Fargo Squirt International Tournament
 - Other tournament updates
 - Kaine would like to have 2 home tournaments before the Fargo International Torunment
 - 6 other associations have been contacted to come to our tournaments we are hosting
 - 12UB and 10UB tournament dates have been switched to deconflict Squirt International (so these teams can go to Fargo International Tournaments)
 - Squirt B home tournaments have a possible date of 4-6 January – tryouts from beginning of year will determine rosters for those teams

Off-Ice

- Summer Registration is open
 - Goalies are needed and FREE
 - Please contact Mikayla Jablonski-Jahner to be manually registered for summer camps
 - Players don't need consent forms or code of conduct forms (their forms from previous season are still valid)

Parks and Rec Update

- August 3rd ice will be installed in Watcher rink
- Early to Mid-August VFW1 will have ice installed

Program Director Update

- Squirt in-house teams
 - Kaine Martell (program director) had proposed restructuring our Squirt teams
 - He thinks we can play more games at home with less kids on each team by restructuring teams to intermix Squirt B and Squirt B1 teams for in house games and tournaments
 - Mikayla said this would be no issue to re-roster teams for the weekend for inhouse tournaments
 - It was also mentioned to have no more team practices; all teams practice together

- He has read and referenced studies indicating this may be more beneficial to sustain interest in kids to continue with hockey all the way through High School Try-outs
 - More information is needed and numbers from our own association is need to be gathered to see if we are losing players and at what rate and level
 - It was mentioned by parents there was too much travel last year for Squirt level so playing more teams in house would alleviate all excessive travel
 - Heather Welle has hesitation about taking away all travel but would feel more comfortable about doing in house only for the first half of season and travel more during the second half of the season
 - It was also proposed to re-roster teams to equal them out for the Squirt International Tournament but ONLY for Squirt International Tournament
- Hockey Committee Proposal
 - Putting a committee together of 5-7 people (4 would be set personnel and 1-3 would be volunteers involved with Bismarck Hockey)
 - The 4 set personnel would be each High School Hockey Coaches, the Girls Program Coach and Kaine
 - The volunteers involved would change every 2 years opposite from the board changes
 - This committee would help oversee coaches, help alleviate pressure off the Board to focus on more Hockey Decisions so the board can focus on policy and procedure decisions
 - This committee would also help the Intro to Hockey, give equipment suggestions, help with the try-out process, monitor practices and help with player development
 - Ryan would like 7 members on this committee
 - Dave Lewis motioned to start forming the Hockey Committee; Nicole Hafner second that motion; motion carries

Gaming Update

- Lucky 13th will have a new Blackjack table starting July 1st
- Out Place Tavern will have pull tab machines starting July 1st
- The Pier will continue to have Blackjack table
- Contracts go from July 1st this year until July 1st next year

Advertising Update

- Lexon System will be put in the new Rink and will be equally paid for by Bismarck Hockey Boosters and Bismarck Figure Skaitng (4K-6K total)
- Contracts and Invoices have been sent out to all businesses and advertisements will be installed in Watcher around August 2018

Treasurer Update

- Budget Approval will not be approved this month Kautzman didn't get everything back to us (March and April finances haven't been given to the club yet concerning gun and raffle earnings and costs)

Fund Raising

- Universal Athletics still owes us a \$1,500-\$2,200 check for the last season sale we did
- Apparel for 2018-2019 season – no vendor yet
 - Dakota Promotions did it for us last season, however they were not reliable to be at all the inhouse tournaments
 - Looking for a vendor that will keep apparel in a store, or have a virtual store all season long with a faster turn-around
- Discussion was had to have the club print the logo and keep some product on hand to sell, the only issue is start up cost of printing, however it would be a profit to the club
 - More to discuss on this
- Brad was going to follow-up again with Applebee's to see if they would donate pucks again

Miscellaneous

- End of Season Survey – results will be on the website and in the newsletter
 - Evaluation – 158 completed (22% of membership)
 - On a 5-point scale, season was rated at a 4.08 – way above past surveys dating back to 2011
 - 77% of survey participants stated season length is just right
 - Priorities from Survey
 - Building the program
 - Coaching and Player development -Skate, Shoot and Pass
- Refereeing Clinics
 - Clinics will start in the fall – more info to come out about dates and locations

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