



# RIVER FALLS YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

## *November 2018 Agenda*

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DATE: Wednesday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018

LOCATION: Wildcat Centre, River Falls

ATTENDANCE: Frank Linn, Jody Christensen, Chris Larsen, Kevin Hare, John Linehan, Neil Accola, Jana Walker, Shelly Thompson, Steve Oakins and Nicole Ralston

ABSENT: Paul Bloodhart and Paul Wilson

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm

### **AGENDA**

1. **Welcome, Intro, Agenda Review** **Linn**
  
2. **Consent Items** (All can be approved in one motion, unless an item is removed by a board member for further discussion) **Linn**
  - A. Agenda Approval  
**Action Item:**  
Approve Agenda and any supplementary
  - B. Approval of Materials  
**Action Item:** Approve meeting minutes from past month.
  
- Motion made to approve all Consent items by Kevin, seconded by Jody. All in favor.
  
3. **Guest Comments** **Guests**
  - No guests
  
4. **Hockey Operations – On Ice** **Hare**
  - The winner for the 10,000-shot drawing will be drawn after tonight’s Board meeting
  
5. **Building Events** **Linn**
  
6. **Building Operations** **Wilson/Linn**
  - Outlet in the concessions stand has been fixed.
  - Light in the lobby is fixed
  - Leaky pipe in the locker room #4 has been completed

- Derek will continue to work on fix up items as time permits.
- Discussion regarding the compressor, Paul is talking with the Vendor regarding our questions. Advises that the volunteers (Chris, Neil, Frank, Paul W and Paul B) for the capital fundraising group start meeting and define the group, goals and strategy. Frank will secure a meeting with Paul W for next week.
- The building fund (collected at registration) is used to support the maintenance of the building.
- The crack on the south side of the building will be fixed on Friday.

## **7. Financial Operations**

**Accola**

- Reviewed financial packet. Reduced income results from donations and Tournament registration. Reduced expenses for the decrease of Hunt ice rental. Other reductions in expenses are due to the actual expenses coming in lowered then forecasted.
- 1099's has been mailed and filed
- 9/30 Financials were provided to the bank, along with commentary that was shared with USDA (our loan guarantor)
- The Comcast (voice, data and phone) was reviewed. Higher speed and discounted pricing was achieved, this results in savings.

## **8. Fundraising Operations**

**Thompson**

- Pizza card fundraiser had more buy outs than expected. Last year we had 6 buyouts, this year 39. We have roughly 500 cards that need to be sold. The Board discussed options.
  - They will be sold in the concession stands
  - Skaters will sell them at the high school/JV games
  - Fundraising team will see if we are able to sell them at the grocery stores
  - Incentive will be given to teams to sell extra tickets. Each team (excluding the Mites) will be asked to sell 50 additional tickets, if the goal is reached, RFHYA will provide ice time for a game Hunt and include the Officials. Mites will have TBD amount, if the goal is reached they will have one hour of free time ice time at hung with a pizza party. Deadline to sell cards will be December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Shelly will be reaching out to Managers to explain the incentive.
- Pizza Card fundraiser money is due on November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018. If pizza card money is not turned in by deadline, there will be an email sent Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup> reminding Coaches that skaters that have not turned in their fundraisers will not be allowed to take the ice until the fundraiser obligation is filled.

## **9. External Relations/Recruitment/Advertising**

**Linn**

- Stacey Wagner will be taking over the External Relations/Recruitment and Advertising bucket. She will be meeting with all the committee chairs and will put together a list of her ideas.
- Chris spoke about naming our Tournaments and creating tiering.

## **10. Hockey Operations – Off Ice**

**Christensen**

- Jody asked the Board to review the Policy Handbook prior to the meeting and bring their recommended updates. The Board reviewed and discussed the revisions. Once changes are completed the updated policy handbook will be uploaded to the website.
- Discussion regarding MAHA 2D and Coaches being held responsible for the behavior of the spectators during games. If Escalation occurs, penalties will result in the following; bench minor, coach ejection and suspension for next game and forfeit of current game. Board recommends that head coaches go back to their team and make sure this policy is reinforced.
- Squirt Tournament has openings, currently 12 teams and possible one more interested, this tournament will close Friday. Jody has asked that if you know of any teams that may be interested to have them contact here. U14 Tournament has few spots open. All other levels are full.
- Jody asked the Board to sign up for High School games on DIBS.
- Conversation regarding Ice scheduling. Ice scheduling has proven to have its challenges this year, late release on schedules, new scheduling system (month to month), teams making changes with D2 (each change is a cost). Board discussed options to find a better way to utilize ice team for each level.

- Reviewed the rented ice schedule at Hunt, Jody will ask the schedules to complete December and January, this will give a better view of what ice at Hunt needs to be canceled.
- 26 new skaters have been registered; 22 LTS and 4 Winter Mites. We anticipate a few more registrations.
- Trophy case was donated by the Link family, we are looking into stands.
- Bantams requested to have RF reserve ice to host a game at Hunt, they stated they would like to have the experience of having a game at Hunt. This would be an extra game. Both River Falls and Baldwin have Tournaments the weekend they would like to host this game. After discussing equal opportunities, Officials and costs; the Board denied the request.
- Jody is meeting with a new Mite parent that has suggests on how to make a new family fee welcome and not so overwhelmed, she will report back.

**11. Other Business**

**Linn**

Motion to adjourn by Johnny; Chris seconded. All in favor.

| <u>2018-2019 Calendar - Key Dates</u>                    |                                |
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| <b>November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018</b>                    | <b>RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm</b> |
| <b>Nov 30<sup>th</sup>-December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018</b> | <b>Squirt A/B/C</b>            |
| <b>December 8-9<sup>th</sup></b>                         | <b>Mite Jamboree</b>           |
| <b>December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018</b>                    | <b>RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm</b> |
| <b>December 28<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> 2018</b>     | <b>High School Tournament</b>  |
| <b>January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019</b>                      | <b>RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm</b> |
| <b>January 11<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> 2019</b>      | <b>U10/U12</b>                 |
| <b>January 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup></b>           | <b>PeeWee A/B &amp; B/C</b>    |
| <b>January 25<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> 2019</b>      | <b>U14</b>                     |
| <b>February 8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> 2019</b>      | <b>Bantam B/C</b>              |
| <b>February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019</b>                    | <b>RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm</b> |
| <b>March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019</b>                       | <b>RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm</b> |
| <b>February 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> 2019</b>     | <b>Bantam A/B</b>              |
| <b>March 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> 2019</b>        | <b>Mite ½ Ice</b>              |
| <b>March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019</b>                       | <b>Gala</b>                    |
| <b>March 22<sup>nd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> 2019</b>        | <b>Fat Boys</b>                |
| <b>April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019</b>                       | <b>RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm</b> |
| <b>May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019</b>                          | <b>RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm</b> |
| <b>June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019</b>                        | <b>RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm</b> |
| <b>July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019</b>                        | <b>RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm</b> |
| <b>August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019</b>                      | <b>RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm</b> |