



Chaska Chanhassen Hockey Association (CCHA)  
 Board Meeting Minutes – November 17th 2018  
 VRC – Blue Line Room  
 7:00 – 9:00 pm (Planned)

1.) **Call to Order:** Cordell Mack @ 7:00pm

2.) **Roll Call/Introductions:**

\*= present; ^= by phone for closed session only

Board Members	
*Cordell Mack	<i>President</i>
	<i>VP– Administration</i>
*Brad Smeed	<i>VP– Hockey Operations</i>
Josh Schmeig	<i>Treasurer</i>
*Lindsay Yates	<i>Secretary</i>
Jesse Parker	<i>Jr. Gold</i>
*Dan Diminnie	<i>Bantam</i>
*Nick Bigelbach	<i>Peewee</i>
*Ryan Herrmann	<i>Squirts</i>
*Jeff Campbell	<i>Upper Mites</i>
*Jon Johnson	<i>Lower Mites</i>
*Mike Colleran	<i>U10, U12, U14</i>
*Tony Sommerfeld	<i>U6, U8</i>

Key Volunteers and Committees	
Julie Eklund	<i>Ice Coord/Accounting</i>
*Lori Hill	<i>Accounting</i>
*Jessica Kutz	<i>Registrar</i>
*Ty Uhlencamp	<i>Safesport</i>
*Michelle TaBrake	<i>Photo/Meeting Room</i>
*Beth Johnson	<i>Brick City</i>

List of Members at Large in Attendance:

- none

3.) **September Minutes Approval:** Approved unanimously. (Motion; Secretary Yates, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Herrmann) Minutes will be posted to the web site.



#### 4.) **Standard Agenda:**

##### A. Executive Updates

##### i. President – Cordell Mack

- Tryout process administrative recap
  - Pat Wise and Lori Hill were thanked for their positive upbeat influence during tryouts and for a job very well done as tryout administrators.
- Social Media Policy
  - Concerns have been raised by members regarding the content and tone of CCHA and other D6 teams' social media accounts. Discussion was held regarding the CCHA's stance on team social media with President Mack introducing a proposed policy to address potential issues and to serve as a guideline for team social media accounts.
  - A motion to approve the CCHA Social Media Policy as presented by Commissioner Campbell, 2<sup>nd</sup> by VP Smeed. Vote to approve the motion – Unanimously approved.
- Live Barn
  - Chaska Community Center will be implementing Live Barn in the coming months.
  - Privacy concerns brought by members were discussed; the Board has asked for guidance and clarity from MN Hockey, D6, and other associations and will keep members updated on their findings.
- Player Development Program
  - VP Smeed, Commissioner Bigelbach, and President Mack have been working with the HDC on the implementation of additional ice time and resources for Upper Level B2 and C level teams' player development. Sessions are beginning to be scheduled with more information regarding program specifics to follow.
- Dryland / Shooting space – Victoria Rec
  - VP Smeed, Commissioner Colleran, and President Mack updated the Board on the progress of dryland/shooting space (1 long and 2 short shooting bays) at Victoria Rec Center located near the West rink. Work is progressing with tiles being ordered, measurements taken, and tarps soon being made.
- Sponsorship
  - President Mack shared an update from Commissioner Parker that all Lower Level teams are fully sponsored. 3 Upper Level teams are still looking for sponsorship.
- High School Alignment
  - Co-chairs will be named and asked to form a committee to research potential alignment. Information on this process will be forthcoming.



- ii. Vice President- Administration – position vacant
  - No Report.
- iii. Vice President –Operations – Brad Smeed
  - District 6 Update
    - Playoff schedules and locations have been posted on the D6 website.
    - All rinks must have a digital clock for referees to see during games at every rink. To comply, a clock will need to be ordered for CCC rink 2.
- iv. Treasurer – Josh Schmeig
  - No report – absent
- v. Secretary – Lindsay Yates
  - No report.

#### B. Updates to the Board

- Jessica Kutz - Registrar
  - There are a few outstanding waivers which need to be signed. This will be taken care of during the closed session at the conclusion of this evening's meeting.
  - To date, 4 coaches are unable to be rostered as their certifications have not been completed.
  - Roster deadline for JGold is 11/26, Mites and Lower Mites is 12/5. All final rosters are due to D6 by 12/28.
- Lori Hill – Accounting
  - To date 749 players have been registered.
- Molly Diethelm – Recruitment (as reported by President Mack)
  - There have been 69 unique (First time participants) for the Try Hockey for Free programs to date.
- Mike Colleran – Equipment
  - Information will be presented at the January 2019 meeting regarding uniform purchase process for the 19-20 season. Discussion will begin at that time regarding jersey design, color, and whether they will be 1- or 2-year jerseys.
- Ty Uhlenkamp – Safesport
  - The presence of locker room monitors is a major focus of D6 and MN Hockey this season.



- Mr. Uhrencamp has reached out to other associations to see how they are implementing this directive.
- Discussion was held regarding the CCHA's current locker room monitor policy and the updates that are needed to be made which would include a set time for monitors to be present, the implementation and enforcement of compliance checks, and the penalties/consequences for teams found not in compliance.
- A motion to recommunicate and enforce the CCHA locker room monitor policy with noted updates by President Mack, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Johnson. Vote to approve the motion – Unanimously approved.
  
- Michelle TeBrake– Photo/Meeting Room Coordinator
  - Team pictures went well overall. Member concerns regarding the early timing of the picture dates and with the smaller size of certain picture options were presented and noted.
  
- Michelle Fontaine – Webmaster (as reported by President Mack)
  - Registration closes for Mites and JGold 11/18.
  - There is currently a DIBS reporting/recording issue occurring with Sports Engine. This has been reported and should be fixed by December.
  - All Upper level team manager and treasurer positions have been filled.
  - Open key volunteer roles (Webmaster, Team Volunteer Coordinator, StormHawk Award Coordinator) need to be posted as soon as possible.
  
- Beth Johnson – Brick City
  - Everything is on track for a successful Brick City tournament. Apparel is in, programs are being worked on, and to date 20 volunteer spots are left to fill.
  
- Jon Johnson – Lower Mite Commissioner
  - Registration numbers for Mini-Mites, Mites, and Rookies are looking good.
  - Termite registration to date is down by 9 players from last season.
  - Try First Half of Hockey for Free program was discussed; a 2-week notice will be required from players who decide not to continue playing the second half of the season.
  - Commissioner Jeff Campbell was thanked for his great work on the Lower and Upper level Mites jerseys.
  
- Jeff Campbell– Upper Mite Commissioner
  - 124 Mites have registered to date with a 3:1 player/coach ratio at the Mite level.
  - The change to 3 levels in the Mites program has gone really well so far. There has been a noticeable improvement in player development already. The Board and HDC was thanked for supporting this change.



- Commissioner Campbell noted that the Mites jersey vendor, John Lee at Nicholson Athletic Group, has been fantastic to work with and that there has been great feedback regarding the Mites jerseys so far this season.
- Tony Sommerfeld – Lower U Commissioner
  - 50 players at this level comprising 3 teams.
  - Evaluations went well.
  - 8U game draw is next week.
- Mike Colleran – Upper U Commissioner
  - Discussion was held at the Girls HDC meeting about adjusting 15U registration for the 19-20 season to an earlier window to better align with the high school program.
  - There has been negative feedback regarding the unbalanced player number on the 12U teams.
  - 10U tryouts went smoothly. There will be a discussion going forward regarding the position of skater goalie at this level.
- Ryan Herrmann – Squirt Commissioner
  - Commissioner Herrmann thanked Lori Hill for all her hard work during the Squirt tryouts.
  - There have been some issues and concerns brought by members regarding goalie placement.
- Nick Bigelbach – Peewee Commissioner
  - Member feedback regarding tryouts seeming “long” was mentioned. Overall tryouts went well with no major issues to report.
- Dan Diminnie – Bantam Commissioner
  - There have been complaints on the look and quality of the last name lettering on the cream jerseys.
  - The discrepancy in the size between the players on each of the 2 teams at the B2 and C levels has been raised as a concern.
- Jesse Parker – Jr. Gold Commissioner
  - No report – Absent

Motion to close: President Mack, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Campbell. Vote, Unanimous. – 9:08 pm

**5.) Closed Session Discussion (required for individual player/member discussion, family financial discussion, disciplinary action, etc...)**

From 9:09 pm to 9:36 pm



6.) **Next Meeting – Monday, December 17<sup>th</sup> @ 7 pm, VRC Blue Line Room**

Motion to Adjourn: By: Commissioner Herrmann; 2nd by Johnson- Vote, unanimous.

End Time: 9:36 pm