

October 12, 2005
Hockey Board Meeting.

Present: Paul A. Chuck A., Jeff M., Brian K., Dan D., Joe W., Tim B., Mike F., Al D.,
Larry L, Dan G.

Guests:
Bryan Flynn , Magan Oswald;

1. Approval of Last Meetings Minutes: Dan Motion to approved Brian K, second, all in favor, motion passed.
2. Place for the Girls to get Dressed. Mike brought this up. Conversation from Stu and Stu agrees that we need to do this and it has come up last year more than once. What is the feedback and thoughts of the board on this issue? Mike, thought of buying a pre-built yard barn and put it in the corner of Akervik. This is a hassle at many other rinks, and makes us more accommodating. Current solutions at other rinks include closets, referee's locker room, bathrooms. Not a crisis, but we may want to consider doing something. The city is receptive to build or buy some kind of structure/partition. Stu will see if there are any issues from the building inspector. Range could be from 500 bucks for used to 2000 for something nice and new. We would like the city and maybe schools to help fund this. The city does not have a specific requirement to provide this according to Stu. Mike proposed he will call the athletic directors and Stu and see if they will pitch in. Mike will bring it back to the board.
3. Next meeting will be the 26th of October at 6:30. Will be the last bi monthly meeting.
4. Scholarship applications. Have 5 recreational scholarship applications. Mike makes motion to approve 2 in full, approve 2 with partial, but we will ask them to sell 30 calendars and the last subject to Mike's call and subject to selling 30 calendars depending on issues identified in call. Al Second. All in Favor, motion passed.
5. Financial Reports – Larry Lester
 - a. Numbers are 'close' to end of year. Need to decide where to put 2,000 dollars for the dry land – this year or next year. Mike Says put in this year.
 - b. Cash is good, due to gifts for building the rink. Even without this we are just fine.
 - c. Larry will follow up on some minor questions from Joe, Chuck and Al.
 - d. Summer Hockey made money.
 - e. Motion to approve, Paul. Second Chuck, all in favor, motion passed.
6. New Rink – Chuck Anger
 - a. Last meeting there was request to run design past High School Coaches. This was completed by Chuck. Thanks Chuck! They asked us to look at an Olympic size rink. Logic is for shared ice, it gives more square footage. Committee met and discussed, and due to financial challenges that are ahead of us. Its not the chillers, it's the larger span of the roof that

is the real expensive issue. So the committee is not going to pursue this further at this time.

- b. We will be getting elevations from Ayres Assoc soon.
 - c. Chuck had the plans and showed the board the updated plans.
 - i. First update is the parking change with a more favorable ratio that saves stalls and therefore money in parking lots and land. We will be submitting a 'study' to handle overflow parking with adjacent properties.
 - ii. We have addressed set back issues for a future second indoor sheet from the highway so this is not removed as an option in the future.
 - iii. Looks like 840 seats at this time. We squared off storage and other areas, simplifying the structure.
 - iv. There is additional room for future seating on the ends of the rink. Aluminum bleachers are 70 bucks a seat – with more permanent seats we can get more seating and have risers coming off of the aisle ways.
 - d. Hudson is spending 2,038k without land. Other costs associated with freezing the ice did not include labor. Best case right now for chillers to handle two sheets of ice, indoor and/or outdoor is about 600k. There is a contact that could do this for 475. Vs a single system best price with this guy in the 320k range. Boards are roughly 90K. These are all approximate/budget numbers and NOT quotes.
 - e. We have divided the structure into many different spaces to 'sell' to contributors.
 - f. Discussions continue assessing other opportunities and organizations to help fund the rink. There is nothing substantive to report.
 - g. Meeting next week 12:30 at Paul's office.
 - h. Chuck, Awesome Job!!!!~!! thanks for the hard work ☺.
7. Fundraising – Joe W.
- a. Shirts are done. When are we handing these for Recreational? At parents meeting. They get them for free. There are 510 total, and this is about 100 over what we need – and cost is roughly 2.50 each. We recommend 5.00 sales price to all others to help raise money for the association.
 - b. Joe would like a print out so he can check off the kids as they get theirs.
 - c. We will sell left over shirts after evaluations are completed, including the Mites, squirts. Calendars will be handed out at the parent meeting.
 - d. Bryan Flynn – Squirts not use to web site and they miss practices – can we do something to help avoid this
 - e. ***The shirts will be handed out at the parents meeting!!!!***
 - f. Discussions on Vegas Raffle – we made money – do we want to do this again? Or a different raffle? Candy bars? Have to go at the right time, in past have been very successful. Also the 'ugly hockey player' lawn ornament as ideas to raise money. Four Wheeler drawing, and includes a requirement to sell 5 tickets – and they get a lot of walk in contributions. Also big screen TV's. The association looked at ATV and TV, last year. Also Garbage Gloves, haven't got samples yet. Candy Bar sales can be

set up so that the parents pay a discounted price on pick up then sell at suggested price, and that is the additional break they get. Problem is you need to sell 10 boxes to get 100 bucks off, its too many candy bars? Margin's for the association are better on the raffles for the effort on the kids and association. We also could raise it to more than 30 calendars, rather than 20.

- g. Fee review: 850 bucks. They write checks for 200 for calendars, and 750 for the fee. Then they sell calendars and keep the calendar money, resulting in 100 to the association and 100 to them. Calendars reduce the risk to the association.
 - h. Proposal – Mike, motion, Joe W Second, all in favor, motion passed. Write a check for 650 and 300, for 30 calendars required for Travel. Results in 200 dollar discount. And you keep the revenue from the calendars. For Rec Pee wee/Bantam sell 20 calendars. Write checks for 175 and for 200, and they sell 20 for 10 bucks and save 100 bucks. Make this optional for Recreational. This offers everybody the discount.
 - i. Squirts and Mites as usual. Coaches will get calendars, and if team sells them all, the team gets 300 back.
 - j. Multiple Players in a family. This is strictly for travel. Have been required to sell for 'one' player and they get discount for all players. First player this year they get 200, and every one after that its 100 dollars. Motion by Larry L. Ex: If two kids, have to sell 30 calendars, and get 200 discount on first kid, and 100 on second. So checks would be 300 for calendars, 650 for first kid and 750 for second kid. Joe W. second, all in favor, passed.
8. Tournaments – Dan D.
- a. Meeting last week and getting people covered.
 - b. We can not use room for food for tournaments – it is a city council decision and it competes with the concessions. It will be a 100 dollar fee. We should be ok with tournaments teams.
9. ACE
10. Recreational Program.
11. Travel
- a. Child requested release of pee wee kid from ECYH for this year. This has nothing to do with ECYH, its personal. Chuck, motion released, Larry L second, all in favor, motion passed.
 - b. Team Sizes.
 - i. We have 30 squirts registered now.
 - ii. There is a travel team guide line in place. Squirts and Pee wee, we have had as many as 35 and as low as 28. Based on quality of players, a recommendation for size is made. All not making it can go to rec. This can be changed, and this is a starting point. This is the minimum at 28 and where that number came from the last meeting.

- iii. Travel committee needs to revise this a bit. As long as the ability distribution warrants it, more players should be kept so that ice time is maximized and more players have a chance to develop.
- iv. Numbers more than 15 skaters would require communication so that the additional kids and all skaters, would share available ice time, but not necessarily have equal playing time.
- v. We need to look at this Year to year to determine what is best based on that group of kids. Some years more kids should be kept, and some times less. Edina Hockey District 6 was contacted. They have a rule that every team will have minimum 15 skaters and two goalies. Also bantams have 16 bantams and 2 goalies to cover injured kids. Occasionally alternates are kept as well for injured or sick kids.
- vi. Our goal has to be get more kids involved and with a new rink, it will come up. As association gets bigger we will run into this more.
- vii. We need Less emphasis on games, only 7 hours games vs 44 hours of practice times. We need to communicate with parents better that players are developed in the practices. It's the practice that develops the player, and provides the most opportunity to develop the player.
- viii. Rec leagues do not offer the ice time to move development along as is needed. So the practice becomes primary in developing players.
- ix. Bryan Flynn – Done by age level too. Small kids have short attention spans. Squirt level is the age where kids typically get hooked. Says 15 kids and one coach can be ineffective practice.
- x. Have to have good communication with the kids and parents. It is possible on AAA teams that certain kids may not play on a long trip. This can happen in the association. But to be part of the team they will develop their skills. Time keeping parents will not be satisfied. Equal time is encouraged, but not required. Generally it equals out over the season
- xi. Going from 13 to 15 skaters is not generally a big deal for coaches and generates a 12 more skaters on 6 travel teams. This is consistent with the associations mission to develop more players.
- xii. There can be safety issues at peewee and above if kids don't have a basic skill level.
- xiii. 15 skaters is agreed at the board level is not an issue because it works with three lines. Issues may start at the 16th skater. In this situation, the parents and kids need to be pulled aside and have a discussion regarding a lesser role say at 7th defenseman. These types of discussions have been had in the past.
- xiv. Currently we have needs for more goalies, and even if we discuss a 'practice' goalie, then we have a chance to develop a goalie.

- xv. 30 at squirt, 36 peewees, 43 skaters. At the time of the board meeting.
 - xvi. There is a general desire on the board to have 30 skaters at each level as long as the skill level is reasonable.
 - c. Parent Meetings
 - i. Dan is in charge of these.
 - ii. These are typically first practice and this is scheduled already – this is a mandatory meeting and this has to be on the team sheets after tryouts.
 - iii. There will be a written copy of what is covered will be available to the coaches and board members at that meeting so everything is covered.
 - iv. Board members need to make an effort to get to the tryouts – we will have one board member at a minimum at every tryout session.
 - v. Contact will be made to Mark Paulson by Jeff Munger for the OCT 24th goalie tryouts.
 - d. Need to sent a letter for the group A and B for Bantam level for tryouts.
- 12. Recreational – Paul
 - a. Letters with interview times went out to coach applicants.
 - b. The meeting is set for pre evaluation meeting to be run by Marty and pat.
 - c. Need a high school c coach.
- 13. Player Development – Al
 - a. Bring your buddy is set up. Prizes are set up. This Sunday.
 - b. Motion by Al, second by Brian K. to give each kid a pop and hotdog and then the ECYH will pay the bill. All in favor, motion passed.
 - c. Dry Land Training. Some equipment and materials are procured and already in process. Want to make sure that Russian boxes fit in elevators to move into Banbury.
 - d. Naming the facility contest – would like to do a 30 buck certificate for the winner.
 - e. Have donation to get conveyor belts from Mathy Construction so will not have to buy mats. Thanks to Mathy and Jerry Pintok for the contact.
 - f. Work session will be scheduled soon.
 - g. Early September, get out into the schools and get a floor hockey tournament going.
 - h. It's a chance we might have 4 goalies on shared ice. Is it possible to get goalies only practice? Then the coaches can get others to go work with those kids. And would get the goalies more time. It will have to be a weekend time. Maybe a chance to let other kids try goalie too.
 - i. Larry has a tape from the Badger Coaches for the coaches to watch.
- 14. Scheduling – Brian K.
 - a. Had west Wisconsin league scheduling meeting. There may be an opportunity to add some games for bantams.
 - b. All scheduled – Nice Job Brian!!
- 15. Web Site – Tim nothing to report
- 16. Facilities – Dan Grasskampb

- a. Recap of equipment –
- b. Banners are underway
- c. Mini Mite Equipment – Al D. Motion to purchase mini – mite equipment we would get rental fees for it. We are getting bids for the equipment. Second Joe W. All in favor, motion passed.
- d. Goalie Equipment – Joe W. Motion to buy hockey equipment one set of bantam and one set of peewee from riverside bike and skate Jeff was Second, all in favor, motion passed.

17. Conduct – Nothing to report

18. Five Minute Topics

- a. Brian K. – Squirt age wants to try out for squirt travel, and also signed up to peewee recreational league. We will send check back.
- b. Brian K. - Person Signed up late but paid original fees not late fees. What should we do. Go collect the money.
- c. Al D motion to give some shirts at buddy skate, second by jeff m. all in favor, motion passed.

19. Motion to Adjourn, by chuck,

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