

August 24, 2005

ECYH Board Meeting:

Present: Dan G., Mike F., Pat R., Joe W., Paul A., Brian K., Chuck A., Tim B., Al D.

1. Marty Hickey & Ryan Parker –
 - a. Thank you for the Summer Skate Program – Next year will go to 40 kids per group. Good positive emails. Peewees only had 10 or so show, but will allow more next year. Marty will put it together next year. He is going to ECYH first, then to the EC area and etc. until it is full. They will see if a different time will work. Maybe room for more kids. Would like to announce earlier to confirm ice time and ECYH may have the ability to make more money. In Sommerset, they charge \$145/kid, with Jersey. Should bring in over \$2,000 to the association.
 - b. Lambeau Field – Bus trip 840 dollars for a Chippewa trail bus over night – Already filled at 30 range per ride plus ticket. May be potential for more tickets/buses – total is 55 dollars a person, without hotel and food. Mike F. may put something on web site – Goes on sale after labor day – they are making 50,000 tickets. Bring Binoculars!!!
 - c. Marty said he would run the Bantam and Pee wee drills for the Rec Program player evaluations. Would like to meet with the coaches 1 hour before to get things all lined up. Will cost a couple beers at least! Thank you Marty!!!!
2. Approve Minutes – Brian K, Joe Second – all in favor approved.
3. Funding For Official's Clinic
 - a. \$300 cost, they want us to pay for it. USA Hockey will not recoup fees for rooms via fees, they say they can not do this. We are working on cost reductions on this functions behalf. They have agreed to have one class at Hobbs. We may end up over 300 dollars. We should get a break as home association and given the work on room costs.
 - b. Rooms at TECH School are roughly \$70. Mike said they need possibly another \$50 from us and is letting the board know and is recommending that we do this. This is a two day clinic and most out of town people will stay. Stay tuned, still a chance we may get the costs under \$300.
4. WAHA Region meeting in Osseo at the Super 8 – September 22 – Tim Besser said he would go – Mike wanted somebody that would be on the board next year.
5. Finance Report – Larry not here so skipped.
6. New Rink – Chuck
 - a. Met with Ayres on plans for new rink. Moving along.
 - b. Looking at leasing the 'shell' of the building, then raising money for the interior facilities. These numbers are being run. Another meeting regarding this 9/10 at WIPFLI.
 - c. Paul and Chuck are meeting local developer regarding Sports Plex complex.
 - d. Chuck addressed the frustrations conveyed regarding lack of notices via email or web. We are just not at a point to pass on more significant details, although we have some, it is premature. We are talking with many

parties and will have more details quickly. Stay tuned! It is rolling along. These actions will ultimately help the project.

- e. Need to meet with the city to discuss parking issues at the Stile Site.
 - f. Ayres is working on renderings and elevations at this point.
7. Fund Raising – Joe W.
- a. Scholarship Raffle tickets went out. Some complaints regarding doing another raffle. It was explained that this was an optional raffle.
 - b. So far no returns. We believe these will come in at registration.
8. Tournaments – Dan D.
- a. WAHA is sending tournament details.
9. Travel – Pat filled in for Scott.
- a. Two applications for Coaches and trying to talk to three more. Paul put an ad in the Spectator.
 - b. Need coaches mission statements per instructions.
 - c. Scott will be scheduling a meeting.
 - d. Tryout and registration forms are out there.
10. Rec Program – Mike/Paul.
- a. Letters out and prime time is printed later in September.
 - b. Tim has heard questions regarding squirt/peewee – so we are fielding questions.
 - c. Change ‘in house’ to Rec for Recreational for the league.
 - d. If a peewee doesn’t make travel, then the skate for peewee rec is after tryouts. We are not requiring peewees in this situation to skate again for rec evaluations, but they can. This will not work for bantams under the current schedule. So it was discussed that we should look for one additional ice time for bantams that don’t make travel, should work. Monday November 14, 8:30 to
 - e. Paul will put together an orientation letter for coaches meetings with parents.
 - f. Paul is contacting coaches with letter and will contact by phone after letter is sent out.
11. Facilities – Al/ Chuck
- a. We are looking for a dry land program spot due to problems trying to run this at Hobbs.
 - b. The committee met with Jack Kaiser from Banbury Place. We discussed the possibility of a 6 month lease with access. The committee needs to get together. We need \$1200 dollars plus the remaining 2 jersey sponsorships at 2,400 dollar value (1,200 each). Would like board action tonight. 2000 square feet. It’s a good spot.
 - c. Chuck checked out getting a kinesiology person from the University. Still looking. This is important since kids under 13 may not be ready for Plyometrics similar to Total Hockey or Acceleration Minnesota.
 - d. Al – we haven’t formalized the room set up and key arrangements and hours. We will try to set up so that Coaches go with their team for continuity if they have the skills to coach the kids on those exercises.

- e. This helps with game to practice required ratios and offers more for both Rec and travel program.
- f. We need insurance if we do anything before the kids are registered with USA hockey. This happens in early November.
- g. Small discussion on equipment that should be put in.
- h. Board would like longer deal. 5 years. But, it was pointed out that the new rink could have this space. We will talk about fees to use this facility for users. We are considering increasing registration fees by \$25 to cover the costs of this facility.
- i. Discussion on real cost relative to out of pocket cash. Comes to \$600 a month cost to the association after combining \$200 cash payment and jersey sponsorship value.
- j. Al wants to make sure the board supports this prior to spending time looking into its feasibility.
- k. Board needs better numbers. With equipment and use fees. The committee will put this together, the board supports the idea in principle. The board would like numbers next meeting.
- l. Joe W. raised concerns about pushing costs to participants.
- m. Pat believes that we sell all players parents that they are getting more value for the entire program. Let teams decide as teams. If teams don't, individuals can pay more as individuals.
- n. Al made a motion – Go with the lease on 6 months, \$200 per month cash, and 2 jersey sponsorships, and determine players fees at a later time targeting at least 50% of the total cost. Brian K second, all in favor. Motion Passed.
- o. Capital Proposal for equipment will be made later.
- p. Al wants to go forward with Garbage Glove idea from last meeting and use proceeds for equipment. Mike says use fund raising committee so all parties are on same page.

12. Scheduling – Brian/Tim

- a. Its done!~!
- b. Brian had blocks from the city. We have to work with the times given. May other organizations are on list. Brian was able to work it out. Season is done.
- c. Wednesday nights are not excluded for some groups. Tried to utilize later times after Church time.
- d. Tim: has recommended tournaments at all levels. The dates are important to hit given overall schedule, but there is some movement. Tim and Brian have contacted most coaches to get there input. Pat and Mike may help contact coaches for input where we don't have it yet.
- e. Tim will follow with tournaments for REC teams. They each get one.

13. WEB Site. Nothing to report.

14. Facilities.

- a. Motion made to buy dehumidifier – Joe W. This is ok'd with Stu already. Second Al, all in favor – motion passed. Mike is buying beer.

Motion to adjourn – Brian, Al second, all in favor, motion passed.