

**North St Paul Area Hockey**  
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September 2006

**North St. Paul Area Hockey Association  
August 9, 2006 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

Call to Order: 8:20 p.m., Wednesday August, 9, 2006 @ the North St. Paul American Legion

Roll Call: Absent: Peter Donovan, Leisa Jefferson

**Officers' Reports:**

Secretary (Tony Giunta)

- A motion was made/seconded (Jim Krings/Dewey Berglund) to approve the July meeting minutes as printed. Motion passed unanimously.

President (Peter Koller)

- No report.

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President (David Epland)

- No report.

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President/D2 Representative (Tim Cole)

- No report.

Treasurer (Gary Stadler)

- A motion was made/seconded (Steve Czech/Dennis Greeley) to approve the August treasurer's report. Motion passed unanimously.

**Membership Forum:**

- There was a question by the 10U girls coach to see if he could sign up for tournaments. He was told to go ahead and register for the tournaments.

- There was a question about D2 having a Squirt end of year tournament. As we know it today, there will be an end of year tournament. Tim Cole also said he will be declaring teams to D2 after our registration is completed on September 9<sup>th</sup>.

### **Directors' reports:**

#### Ice Scheduler (Leisa Jefferson)

- Tony Giunta reported that the ice contract with District 622, and Ramsey County Parks and Recreation have been completed and signed by both parties.

#### Registration (Kelly Starr)

- Kelly handed out Minnesota hockey Confidential Screening & Contact forms to all board members present to be filled out and turned in after the meeting. All new coaches need to fill out these forms and be approved before they can be on the ice with any kids. Registration dates were confirmed for Wednesday August 31, Wednesday September 6, and Saturday September 9<sup>th</sup>. All at the North St Paul Community Center. There was discussion on the basic registration fees for this year.
- A motion was made/seconded (Kelly Starr/Jim Krings) to keep the mite fees the same as last year, and reduce all other levels by \$20, to \$575. Motion passed unanimously.

#### Initiation/Boys Coordinator (Pete Donovan)

- Absent, no report.

#### Equipment (Steve Kolas)

- There was discussion a bout jersey purchases. In question were how many sets of jerseys to purchase, and from whom to purchase the jerseys. Steve Kolas distributed sheets showing jersey prices from different vendors. Strauss had the lowest price for the same jerseys.
- A motion was made/seconded (Rich Hellquist/Josh Mortenson) to purchase team game jerseys from Strauss. Motion passed unanimously.
- A motion was made/seconded (Rich Hellquist/Tim Cole) to purchase four sets of team game jerseys. Motion passed unanimously.
- Steve reported that the merchandise committee had met that day and were proposing to have Heritage Embroidery & Design out of Stillwater MN. run our merchandise sales this year. Heritage would do everything from staffing the sales, and taking and filling the orders. We would not have any people from our association involved with any of these activities. A percentage of all the sales would be credited to NSPAHA to be redeemed for merchandise at a later date.
- A motion was made/seconded (Steve Kolas/Jim Krings) to use Heritage Embroidery & Design of Stillwater for our merchandise sales this season. Motion passed unanimously.

#### Pee Wee/12U (Dewey Berglund)

- No report.

#### Player/Coach Development (Steve Czech)

- Fall Clinic information will be sent out next week. The fee will remain the same as last year at \$125. The 14U's and 12U's will skate together. The 10U's will skate with the squirts.

#### Tournaments (Chris Tretsven)

- All tournaments and levels are filling fast.

#### Publicity/Spring League (Tom Kline)

- No report.

#### Squirt/10U/Jr. Gold (Josh Mortenson)

- Josh reported that he is getting raters lined up for squirt tryouts. He also reported that Tartan is interested in forming a 16U junior gold team with us. Josh is looking into this, along with a possible junior gold merger with another association. We have done this in the past to fill two teams.

#### Volunteer (Denay DeMars)

- There was discussion about changing the volunteer hour requirements. Denay felt that the same hours as last year would meet all needs.
- A motion was made/seconded (Rich Hellquist/Tim Cole) to keep the volunteer hour requirements per family the same as last year. Motion passed unanimously.

#### Ways & Means (Pete Orme)

- Pete is working on getting a solid date for the Taco Feed, and a place to have it. There is a tentative date of November 3.
- Steve Czech asked Ways & Means if the Bantam A team could try and do an equipment cleaning signup at registration time. There was no objection from Ways & Means, but there was discussion about the proposal.
- A motion was made/seconded (Steve Czech/Josh Mortenson) to allow the Bantam A team to provide an equipment cleaning service for \$30. per set, with a \$5. profit going to the Bantam A team fund. Motion passed with a 7 – 5 vote.

#### Bantam/14U/Girls Coordinator (Jim Krings)

- Jim reported that he has been meeting with the North High girl's hockey coach to help determine the number of potential girls at the 14U level.

#### Advanced Mites/HEP (Dennis Greeley)

- Dennis reported that he plans to staff the mite fall clinic with parent coach volunteers. He is looking to follow USA Hockey suggestions for the mite level this season.
- Dennis attended a D2 meeting where they talked about having a Level 3 League. This would be something different from what the Pony Leagues were of past years.

### Old Business

- Tim Cole reported that the NSPAHA girls task force attended a meeting with the Tartan task force. Both task forces agreed that something needs to be done at the 12U and 10U levels. There was discussion about co-op arrangement possibilities.
- A motion was made/seconded (Tim Cole/Steve Czech) to have the co-op task force move forward with Tartan to operate teams on a cooperative basis at the 12U level for the 2006-07 season, predicated upon approval by the Tartan board of directors, and District 2. The motion passed unanimously.
- A motion was made/seconded (Tim Cole/Chris Tretsven) to have the co-op task force move forward with Tartan to operate teams on a cooperative basis at the 10U level for the 2006-07 season, predicated upon approval by the Tartan board of directors, and District 2. The motion passed unanimously.
- Discussion took place about purchasing new popcorn and hot dog machines. Frank Helseth has been researching these purchases and presented some handouts with costs from different vendors.
- A motion was made/seconded (Jim Krings/Dennis Greeley) to approve up to \$1,500 to replace the hot dog machine. The motion passed unanimously.

### New Business

- David Epland distributed a packet with revised rules recommended by the Rules Committee. There was discussion about some of the rules.
- A motion was made/seconded (David Epland/Tim Cole) to accept the rules as amended on pages 2, 9, 10, & 11, and the deletion of H in section 4 of page 10. Motion passed unanimously.
- A motion was made/seconded (David Epland/Dennis Greeley) to change the rule on page 12 pertaining to refunds to registered players following successful high school tryouts. Under the proposed change, a bantam boy who makes the H.S. team can receive a refund of all but \$400 of his registration fee, and a girl who makes the H.S. team can receive a refund of all but \$300. Motion passed with a 9 – 7 vote.
- Tim Cole has a list of 40 volunteers to help with the Stanley Cup celebration set for August 12<sup>th</sup> in North St Paul for Bret Hedican.

September's Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 p.m., at the loft in Polar Arena.

A motion was made/seconded (Tim Cole/Dennis Greeley) to adjourn the meeting at 11:55 pm. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by,

Tony Giunta  
Secretary, NSPAHA

## USA Hockey Mandates Helmets for Coaches

The Board of USA Hockey has followed the lead of Minnesota Hockey and has voted to require all ice hockey coaches and instructors of registered USA Hockey youth/high school, disabled, girls'/women's 19 & under and below programs to properly wear an ice hockey helmet during all on-ice sessions, including practices, controlled scrimmages and coach and referee clinics (seminars).



The vote by USA Hockey effectively moots the efforts by Minnesota coaches to rescind the helmet rule adopted earlier this year by Minnesota Hockey.

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