

**North St. Paul Area Hockey Association  
January 2009 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

Call to Order: Time: 8:30 p.m., January 14, 2009 @ the North St. Paul American Legion  
Roll Call: Absent: Pat Manteuffel  
Late: Dennis Greeley, Sandy Zappa

**Officers' Reports:**

**Secretary (Chris Tretsven)**

- A Motion was made/seconded (Steve Kolias/Denise Kubiaticz) to approve December 2008 meeting minutes as printed. Motion passed unanimously.

**President (Steve Czech)**

- Steve thanked Chris and Andrea Sindt for a great job on the Squirt A Tournament.
- Steve also reported that he has heard very good things in regards to the Girl's Coop and wanted to thank Jim Krings for all his efforts on getting that together.
- Steve wanted to thank the people who came to help get the Spaghetti distribution packages together for the teams.

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

- Rule changes – please have any suggestions on rule changes to committee by next month. Some of the suggested rule changes are (1) refund to players who make the High School teams, (2) move up rule (3) waiver rules. Would like to address these before the new Board comes in for next year.
- David wanted to remind Board Members to start thinking ahead to next year. Whether or not they are coming back and possible candidates.
- Spring League – Brochures are out. Boys fees will remain the same as last year. David also reported that we created a brochure for the Girls (12 and 14 years of age) with the help of Jim Krings. Want to reach out to them to see if interested in a 3 on 3 league or something similar. Have interested teams from Tartan, Roseville and Mounds View.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President (Steve Kolias)**

- D2 Tournament Volunteer schedule will be handed out on Sunday.

**Accountant's Report (Gary Stadler)**

- Gary handed out the January Financial Statements and gave a review. Went over the following:
  - Profit/Loss
  - Net Income
  - Fundraising Numbers
  - Team Fees – some teams haven't paid their fees
- A motion was made/seconded (Mike Fox/Rich Hellquist) to approve January Treasurer's Report. Motion passed unanimously.

#### Treasurer's Report (Mike Fox)

- Concession stand is doing well. Stressed the need for the stand to be open during High School games.
- Discussed whether or not we should keep the concession stand open for the Spring League like it was for the fall clinic to generate more funds for the Association.

#### Members' Forum

- A Member was present inquiring about the Bantam/High School age kids. His concern is leaving teams short players once the High School teams are picked. He wanted to see if there was any way we could implement something at registration regarding tryouts and commitment to the NSPAHA Program. Concern is that the high school doesn't have tryouts until middle to end of November and by then the kids have put hours in practices and games for their team only to leave the team once they are picked. He felt it wasn't fair to the team and the kids that have to move up from the B & C levels to fill the spots. Wanted the Board to look at options before registration next year.

#### Directors' Reports:

##### Ice Scheduler (Colleen Como)

- No Report.

##### Peewee Coordinator (Josh Mortenson)

- No Report.
- Josh reported that the Goalie Clinic went very well and that one more session is planned for January 27<sup>th</sup>.

##### Bantam/Jr. Gold (Pat Manteuffel)

- No Report.

## Squirt/Advanced Mite (Rick Kranz)

### Squirts

- No Report.

### Advance Mites

- The all girls team 8U is doing very well. Would like to meet with parents about doing the same next year.
- Jamboree has not been set up yet for the Advance Mites but date should be set soon. Mites I & II Jamboree set for February 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>.

## Equipment (Steve Kolas/Josh Mortenson [Goalie Equipment])

- No Report.

## Player/Coach Development/ACE/HEP (Dennis Greeley)

- Dennis thanked Josh for his help with the Goalie Clinic.
- A motion was made/seconded (Dennis Greeley/David Epland) to subsidize up to \$5,000.00 total for the Summer Hockey Clinic for NSPAHA kids. Motion passed unanimously.

## Volunteer (Chris Tretsven)

- Chris reported that 5 families have not created profiles as of the Board Meeting. The consensus of the Board was to give them until January 31<sup>st</sup> and if they have not created a profile and posted it out on the system their checks will be cashed. Chris T to put something on the website regarding this decision.
- Another problem we were having was people who have not completed hours or have not done any hours. A suggestion was made and will be implemented to put a list at Polar of the members who still need hours to complete.
- Discussed the Volunteer system and how it was working for some but not for all. Discussed ways in which we could make it better for 2009-2010 season. Some of the suggestions made were:
  - going back to having the managers responsible for a week of the season again
  - putting the important slots to fill (i.e. High School Games; JV Games (boys and girls), tournaments) out on the system first and when filled then put other less important dates out as they come up.

## Registration (Denise Kubiawicz)

- Denise reported that we had 363 kids and 65 coaches Transmitted for 2008-2009.

### Ways & Means (Sandy Zappa)

- D'avita Restorante gave \$100 to the Association for a full page ad in the tournament Brochure.
- Land Title – Will give \$50 to the Association for every closing from NSPAHA members.

### Tournaments (Chris Sindt)

- Chris reported that the C Tournament is now full.
- Sold Tacos in a Bag and Brats at the A Tournament and did very well on sales. Will do it again for the C Tournament.
- Chris talked about getting the fee upfront from the teams in the tournament versus charging an entrance fee at the door. Would eliminate wrist bands and ticket takers and sellers. It would be a lot easier to manage.
- Chris brought up a suggestion about having EMTs at the Bantam Level of hockey and up. He stated that a lot of injuries have occurred this year in which treatment could have been immediate had an EMT been present.

### Girls Coordinator (Jim Krings)

- A motion was made/seconded (Jim Krings/Rick Kranz) to reimburse non-parent coaches for expenses up to \$100.00 per coach for the 14UA and 14UB. Motion passed unanimously.

### Initiation (Tim Franco [Mite I]/Jason Chiarella [Mite II])

#### Mite I (Tim Franco)

- No Report.

#### Mite II (Jason Chiarella)

- Jason reported that ratings will be in a couple weeks
- February 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> is the Mite Jamboree.

### Senior Advisor (Rich Hellquist):

- Rich reported that he has acquired two HD LCD 42' TV for the Spaghetti Dinner Raffle.
- 800 tickets have been printed for the raffle. Need everyone's help selling the tickets. The tickets are to be distributed at a Manager's meeting.

- Rich reported that we will have a Fire Arm Raffle but it will be scaled down this year.

**Committee Reports:**

- Rules Committee – see David Epland’s report in the Directors’ Report.

**Old Business:**

- No Report

**New Business**

- Spaghetti Dinner – please see report by Steve Czech in Officers’ Report.
- Spring League – please see report by David Epland in Officers’ Report.
- Elections – will be put on the agenda for the February 11<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- Coaches Appreciation Dinner – put on hold for the time being.
- Rule Changes for 2008-2009 Board – please see report by David Epland in Officers’ Report.
- Jersey’s for Next Year – not discussed.
- Team Fees – Please see Gary Stadler’s Report above.

The next meeting will be held at 8:00 p.m. on February 11, 2009 @ the North St. Paul American Legion.

A motion was made/seconded (David Epland/Colleen Como) to adjourn the meeting at 10:13 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Chris Tretsven  
Secretary