

**North St. Paul Area Hockey Association
November 11, 2009 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

Call to Order: Time: 7:07 PM, November 11, 2009 @ John Glenn Middle School Cafeteria
Roll Call: Absent: Erick Larson, Dennis Greeley
 Late: Rick Kranz, Mike Zamacona

Officers Reports:

Secretary (Chris Tretsven)

- A Motion was made/seconded (Denise Kubiawicz/David Epland) to approve the October 2009 meeting minutes as submitted. Motion passed unanimously.

President (Steve Czech)

- Steve wanted to remind everyone about the Girls High School fundraiser at K & J Catering. \$11.00 per ticket.
- The Spaghetti Dinner is set for Sunday, March 14th at the NSP American Legion. Steve wanted to let all of the Board Members know that they will be required to work at the Spaghetti Dinner this year.
- Steve wanted to stress that anyone who is not rostered as a coach cannot be on the ice due to insurance issues, regardless of whether or not they are certified.

1st Vice President (David Epland)

- Dave just wanted to report that Jersey Days for the high school games have been added to the Global Calendar.

2nd Vice President (Steve Koliass)

D2

- D2 is going with a 14UB2 team this year only due to a parent in the D2 association complaining about equal ice time with the Boy Bantam teams. Because Bantam A & B teams will be at 1 ½ hour decided that if they have 14UB2 team game times can be an hour at length.
- Steve needs coach's jacket order by Friday.

Accountant's Report (Gary Stadler)

- No Report.

Treasurer's Report (Mike Fox)

- Concession stand sales have been light but the games have just started so expect it to increase.
- Managers need to get scrimmage times to Chris so we can get volunteers for the concession stand.
- The invoices have been sent to the managers for team fees. Still calculating the C team fees.

Members' Forum

- A Member was present and had a few questions:
 - He wanted to know when Mite ice times for December would be posted. See Ice Director's report for the details.
 - He wanted to say he's been working part time with the goalies on the 10 U team and was looking for goalie sticks that would better fit them and was wondering if the Association had any or a budget for them. A few of the Board Members offered to donate sticks that they have and are no longer using.

Director's Reports:

Ice Scheduler (Julie Wagner)

- Julie is currently working on the ice for Jr. Gold.
- Julie had a concern about teams burning ice. It was determined by the Board that teams will have more ice taken away if that continues to happen.
- A question was brought up during Members' Forum about ice for December for the Mites. Julie addressed the issue by saying that she's waiting for the Jr. Gold tryouts for ice decisions and stated that it may be possible to get the 1st couple weeks posted.

Peewee Coordinator (Rick Kranz)

- Rick reported that we have 3 small teams. We can still recruit to fill teams by December 31st which is the deadline to finalize rosters.

Bantam Coordinator (Josh Mortenson)

- Josh wanted to thank Julie for her help with the VFW ice schedule.

Jr. Gold Coordinator (Pat Manteuffel)

- Tryout schedule for 16U/Jr. Gold is as follows:
 - Sunday, November 22 at Polar Arena:
 - 16 & under 5:00 pm to 6:15 pm
 - Jr. Gold B 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm
 - Monday, November 23 at Harding Arena:
 - 16 & under 7:40 pm to 8:40 pm
 - Jr. Gold B 8:50 pm to 9:50 pm
 - Tuesday, November 24 at Polar Arena:
 - 16 & under 5:45 pm to 6:45 pm
 - Jr. Gold B 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm.
- Reminder that USA Hockey registration must be done by the 2nd night of tryouts.
- We are still looking for a coach for the 16U team.

Squirt Coordinator (Mike Zamacona)

- Mike had a volunteer question regarding Squirt Assistant Coaches. The issue was one team has 3 assistants and only 2 get the exemption and since one assistant already gets a family exemption does the exemption go to the other 2 assistants and the answer to that question by the Volunteer Coordinator was yes they do. His issue was resolved.

Equipment (Steve Koliass/Josh Mortenson [Goalie Equipment])

- No Report.

Player/Coach Development (Dennis Greeley)

- No Report.

Volunteer (Chris Tretsven)

- No Report.

Registration (Denise Kubiataowicz)

- Denise needs to have the books to D2 on 11/15 at 9:00 am.
- Jr. Gold/16U registration and tryouts will be 11/22 starting at 4:00 pm.
- Jr. Gold and Mite books are due to D2 on 12/4.

Ways & Means (Sandy Zappa)

- Sandy wanted to remind people about "Parents Night out"
 - Hours are 7-12 pm now.
 - We have free use of the facilities.
 - We are only paying for the Kegs.
 - We are offering Pizza deals for which we get a kickback from those sales.
 - We are having a meet raffle - meat coming from Big Steer.
 - Sandy reported that she's getting a lot of complaints from parents about the Parents night out and the fact that it's basically a "kegger". She also said that some of the complaints came from people who don't drink beer. The general consensus of the Board is it is for parents and not the kids so the reference for beer should be ok.
- Sandy reported that the first picture night is scheduled on 11/21 for most teams. The second round will be after the 24th.

Tournaments (Jeanna Hinderer)

- Jeanna brought up that we are still short teams for the A tournament. We either need 3 more teams to make 12 or 7 more teams to make 16.
- C tournament update; we are full at the Squirt and Peewee level but need 2 teams at the Bantam level.
- Jeanna noted that we are competing with other associations who have tournaments at the same time.

- Jeanna also noted that she's getting a lot of complaints about the gate fees and having a fee per family especially from families who have more than 1 child on the team. In looking at other associations, a lot of them are going with gate fees, some charge 1 overall fee and lower entry fees and there are a few that have the gate fee per family. Some do still charge door fees. Jeanna was looking for suggestions on how to handle this in the future.

Girls Coordinator (Erick Larson via e-mail)

- The tryouts are going well, we will have 2 teams of 11 and 10 skaters and 1 goalie each. We are going to alter our approach and go with about 80% shared practices to help control costs. Was able to register the girls on Saturday, and meet with Denise to get the paperwork taken care of. Waiting for final ice allocation to come up with the final cost for parents.
- I am attaching the bill for the jerseys (and socks), we stayed with silk screened to keep the cost down, and I would like to propose that our association pay for half of the cost since we will be using the jerseys for the next 4 years.
- 10's and 12's are going, so far so good..

Initiation - Mite I & II (Bill Klingbeil)

- Bill reported that Jill Reed came out to help out with the Mites. Jill stated that they already knew how to skate and they didn't need her help.
- A motion was made/seconded (Pat Manteuffel/Josh Mortenson) to approve the following Head Coaches for the Mite teams:
 - Mite I - Bill Klingbeil
 - Mite II - Brian Hartman
 Motion passed unanimously.

Initiation - Advanced Mite (Jason Chiarella)

- Jason stated that they are currently doing 4 on 4 on a ½ sheet of ice because of the numbers.

Senior Advisor (Rich Hellquist):

- Rich brought up the Spaghetti Dinner and wanted to know if we are going to have a raffle. He said we need to get a permit in December.
- A question was brought up about having a gun raffle and the fact that they'd like to see us have one. Rich said that the gun raffle is possible.
- He suggested that we scale down the drawing to maybe 1 tv and a few smaller items for the drawing.

Committee Reports:

- Merchandise Committee
 - it appears that the teams are ordering their team apparel from all over the place and not with TeamIdentity.
 - Jeanna reported that the amount of clothing ordered to date is \$1,252.00.

Old Business:

- Still looking for people to be on the Spaghetti Dinner committee.

New Business

- A Motion was made/seconded (Rich Hellquist/Sandy Zappa) to reimburse non-parent coaches for out-of-pocket expenses involved in out of town tournaments \$200.00 per coach with \$2,000.00 Cap. Motion passed unanimously. Level directors to take care of getting names to Mike and Gary.

The next meeting will be held at 8:00 p.m. on December 9th at the NSP American Legion.

A motion was made/seconded (Rich Hellquist/David Epland) to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted by,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Tretsven". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "C" and a long, sweeping underline.

Chris Tretsven
Secretary