

# **North St. Paul Area Hockey Association**

## **September 12th Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

Call to Order:       Time: 8:04 pm September 12, 2007 at the North St. Paul American Legion  
Roll Call:           Absent: Mike Fox, Peter Koller

### **Officers Reports:**

#### **Secretary (Chris Tretsven)**

- A Motion was made/seconded (Josh Mortenson/Dennis Greeley) to approve August 2007 meeting minutes as printed. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **President (Rich Hellquist)**

- Rich was sent a sample of Hockey Armor, a one piece suit to fit Mite to Squirt age kids. It is all incorporated (socks, shoulder pads, knee pads, zips). Price starts at \$119.00. It was suggested that we use it as a silent auction item.
- Rich was approached by Jim Engen regarding Spaghetti Dinner tickets. He asked if the cost of 4 tickets (\$28.00 total) per family could be incorporated in the team fees. Rich would like to come to the Managers meeting to talk about it to the Managers of the teams.
- Will start looking for donations for prizes and silent auction items for the Spaghetti Dinner beginning the middle of December.

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

- No Report

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

- Steve has applications for B and C level coaches. Wants to meet with the Coaches Selection Committee to start going through them.

#### **Treasurer (Mike Fox)**

Given by Gary Stadler on behalf of Mike Fox

- Got the concession stand up and running with the help of Gary and Brad.
- He hasn't been at the car shows so water sales stand at \$200.00.
- He will be depositing registration and fundraising checks.

- He does not have the coaches' bags from Dick's Sporting Goods as of yet.
- A Motion was made/seconded (Josh Mortenson/Denay DeMars) to approve September 2007 Treasurer's Report. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Members' Forum**

- A member was present with concerns about tryouts conflicting with son's football games. He asked if there were any exceptions or alternate times for him to tryout.

### **Director's Reports:**

#### **Peewee/D2 PeeWee Coordinator (Dewey Berglund)**

- A motion was made/seconded (Dewey Berglund/David Epland) to let Level Directors have access to their level tryouts. Motion passed unanimously  
Discussion:  
\*Concern was brought up as what the perception would be to the members of the Association.

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

##### Bantam:

- No Report

##### Jr. Gold:

- NSPAHA will stay merged with Mahtomedi. They are sending us 9 players.
- Has coach candidates for Jr. Gold.
- Depending upon numbers; we may have enough for 2 teams.

#### **Squirt/Advance Mite (Josh Mortenson)**

##### Advanced Mite:

- Looking for Raters.
- Wondering about the possibility of having parents rate.

##### Squirt:

- Josh has some concerns about the numbers. We currently have enough kids to have 3 teams but only 2 goalies.
- Looking for suggestions on how to proceed. One suggestion was to have a player/goalie. Another was to maybe look to the outside. Rich suggested waiting until after tryouts and see where kids are placed.

### Equipment (Denay DeMars)

- Denay would like the numbers for the mites to get jerseys and socks ordered. Rick Kranz said he will work with Denay to get that done.

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

- The Player Development committee met to finalize the Coach's manual and to come up with a plan to ensure the packet is being followed.
- A motion was made/seconded (Dennis Greeley/Joan Merritt) to have, at a cost not to exceed \$4,000.00, Jeff Palmer conduct skating skills series this year on Mondays and possibly some Sundays starting in November using Polar/Harding Ice. Motion passed unanimously.

#### Background/Discussion:

- Jeff Palmer runs a fall skills clinic and approached NSPAHA and made a presentation to the Player Development Committee.
- The clinic would be for Squirts on up.
- He is being used by others around the Twin Cities area.

### Volunteer (Joan Merritt)

- Would like to get Bantam tournament dates.
- Still looking for the names of people getting exemption hours for projects they are working on or have worked on.
- Didn't get a volunteer check at registration, wondered if she could tell them they don't skate until paid. She was told she could do that.

### Registration (Kelly Starr)

- We had 287 registered; have 2 more signing up on 9/13/07.
- Level breakdown: 58 Bantams; 75 Peewees; 38 Squirts.
- We fitted 4 kids with Equipment.
- Late registration set for October 1<sup>st</sup>.

## Ways & Means (Pete Orme)

### Taco Feed:

- Coming together nicely.
- Auction items still coming in; could use more.
- Need to pay the balance of the deposit to the Legion.

### Other:

- Still working on Team Sponsorships.

## Tournaments (Chris Sindt)

- Tournaments filling up fast. Currently at:
  - A Squirts – 4 spots left
  - C Squirts – 6 spots left
  - C Peewee – full
  - C Bantam – full
- He said C Peewee and Bantams are full if North St. Paul goes with 2 C teams in each of those brackets. Needs to know soon what our intentions are.

## Girls Coordinator/HEP (Jim Krings)

- NSP/Tartan numbers are starting to come in. Short at the 12U Level. He hasn't met with Janke but will be doing so soon.
- Has the tournaments set for 12U teams. Tartan doing the 10U and 14U. He will get in touch with them and have them get their dates to the Ice Director.
- Has lined up the Goalie Raters; working on getting the rest of the raters lined up.

## Initiation (Rick Kranz)

- Dave Dochniak is running the fall clinic for the Mites and it is going very well.
- Numbers in the fall clinic are looking good.
- We have 85 Mites signed up so far.
- Late registration for Mites is October 1<sup>st</sup>. Will have a better idea of numbers after that date.

## **Committee reports:**

### **Tryout Committee** (Presented by David Epland on Behalf of Peter Koller):

- A motion was made/seconded (David Epland/Steve Koliass) on behalf of the Tryout Committee to approve the raters for the 2007/2008 tryouts. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **Note:**

- Raters will not be allowed to rate at a level in which they have a relative skating.
- This list includes goalie raters.
- A sign-up sheet was passed around for volunteers from the Board to work the tryouts. (Cannot work at their child's level).

### **Manager's Committee:**

- A sign-up sheet was at Registration for Manager candidates.
- Would like to get something on the website seeking managers.
- Once teams are picked, will get input from the coaches on manager candidates.

## **Old Business**

- Steve Koliass declared teams at August D2 meeting.
- Association will be able to add teams if the numbers are there.
- Rich would like to wait on what level teams to add until after tryouts.

October's Board meeting will be held at 8:00 pm on October 10, 2007 at the North St. Paul American Legion.

Motion was made/seconded (David Epland/Rick Kranz) to adjourn the meeting at 10:08 pm. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted by,



Chris Tretsvan  
Secretary, NSPAHA