

Hastings Hockey Boosters

Monthly Meeting Minutes November 8, 2005

Meeting called to order @ 7:05pm.

Roll Call: Steven Murray, Jeff Kuhn, Jeff Bussey, Jim Koch, Jerry Baum, Marty Caneff, Tracie Karbo, Rob Williams

Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda by Rob Williams, second by Jeff Bussey. All in favor.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve meeting minutes as amended by Jeff Kuhn, second by Rob Williams. All in favor.

Financial/Registration Update: Reconciliation Summary handed out. Any player not paid in full by December 1 will not be allowed onto the ice until the registrations and past due amounts are paid in full to the Treasurer. Motion to approve financial report by Steve Murray, second by Jeff Kuhn. All in favor.

Presidents Briefing:

- President has made an executive ruling since last meeting. Once he read the bylaws, they said all players must register for the level that they qualify. The board was not following the bylaws with the motion made in the previous meeting to have kids petition to move to next level and also grandfathering in 2 players without petitioning. All players have been registered in the proper levels now. The Board will investigate bylaws further and will discuss the changing of bylaws.

- Tryouts have been completed. Small quantity of concerns regarding tryouts. Seems to be less complaints going through to the President. Possibly communication was better this year. Thanks to directors, evaluators and parents on getting through this tough process.

District 8 Update:

Meeting tomorrow night in South St. Paul VFW at 7pm. They are requesting all traveling managers to attend. Jerry Baum will be attending and collecting information for all team managers that can't attend. This is a new thing to get more direct communication with team managers. Also our traveling books are supposed to be handed in at this meeting. Almost all the team books have been completed. A big thanks to Brenda McNamara for all her help getting team books finished. Bantam C and Peewee C possibly won't have team books done by first D8 game, in this case any player without all their paperwork in will not be on the roster for that game.

District 8 Referee Update:

Gail Carstenson is requesting to have only one contact person per team to contact her for scrimmages. Directors will provide her with this information. Also, the metro league meeting will

board member on this committee should recommend one Association member for the committee and get it set up quickly.

Dryland Training Facility – With Sliv’s help the city has been agreeable with using the area above the arena office for a dryland training area. Synthetic ice materials have been investigated. Russ Welch has made a rough layout of the training area. Many things need to be worked out still, but it is looking favorable. There are building code guidelines and insurance issues to nail down. Speedling will be submitting a plan and in two weeks we will be prepared to submit the plan to the City Council for approval. Money for this facility has been approved previously. With no objections from the board, we will continue to pursue this plan.

Coach approvals – None

Ice Scheduling – The ice schedule has been put together. This was delayed because of computer problems. This is a new process with the new ice scheduling software. Next year this needs to be done sooner.

Tournaments – Jeff Kuhn – Girls Tournament is one month away, all spots are filled. Recommend to change the Jr. Gold tournament. Motion by Jeff Kuhn to change the Jr. Gold tournament to a 12-team Jr. Gold B section, 4-team Jr. Gold A section and 8-team Squirt A section. Second by Steve Murray. All in favor.

New Business:

Capital Purchase Update – Jerry Baum – budget approval to purchase additional laptops for board members because of failing computers. We have purchased 2 new computers. \$5,000 had been budgeted, but we were able to get them for \$1400.

Capital Fund – Jerry Baum – Would like to start an annual capital fund drive to drive our general capital fund to prepare for future year’s needs. Eventually we will need to add another sheet of ice and the dryland facility. Would like to collect money today to use for tomorrow. Would like board to start thinking about this and to decide on this by January/February on whether to pursue or not.

Picture Day – Picture Day is December 3. Schwan’s fundraiser also starts December 3 and will end December 17. This fundraiser can be done up to 4 times a year and it requires no delivery.

Volunteer Opportunities – Jerry Baum – We need to compile documented lists of volunteer duties. We need to communicate more and better. We need volunteering to be more user friendly. Mel Wagner has set up almost all team sponsors already. The website may have an update soon that will allow you to sign up for volunteer opportunities online and track volunteer hours. We may be able to get this update for free.

Membership Comment: Will there be a dryland facility scheduler? Reply by Jerry Baum – Yes, every team will have an opportunity to use it. We will make its use as fair as possible. We can use our ice scheduling program to keep track of this also.

Next Meeting: **December 13, 2005**

Adjournment: A motion was made to adjourn @ 9:35pm by Rob Williams, second by Jeff Kuhn. All in favor.