NBAHA board meeting Board Meeting Minutes 2-18-09

Meeting was called to order at: 8:45 p.m.

NB Board Members present: Paige Lee, Tim Cashill, Lisa Isaacson, Kristi White, Tom Garin, Jeff Henderson, Craig Moline, Jen Fairbanks

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President:

Charitable Gambling Disbursements: Do we have to disburse in March? Only to avoid tax liability. We may not have much to disburse. Want 2 months of operating revenue in the checkbook. \$15,000 to \$20,000. We are right around \$12,000 at this point. We are not in a situation where we have to disburse this year. We need to pay back the association what was borrowed first. Also, when we presented the budget we had said we were asking for gambling proceeds to balance budget.

Nominating Committee: Potentially have 2 or 3 candidates for some positions. Their responsibility is to go out and find the most qualified candidates and recommend 1 or more candidates that are qualified to the board. They will meet soon and have recommendation at March board meeting.

Co-op: Want to have a joint meeting to discuss what went well and what didn't go well. Will get that setup for April.

Registrar: Patches are in and will get distributed to teams.

Publicity: Newsletter in progress. Send changes/additions by Thursday so the newsletter can go out by Friday.

Vice President Report:

Jeff Henderson made a motion to schedule a Mite meeting within 2 weeks of the Annual Meeting, and have at least 2 board members that have not been involved in the Mite program. Jen Fairbanks seconded. Motion carried.

Lisa Isaacson will schedule meeting and post in the newsletter/website/email blast.

High School Hockey Update: Concerns that High School hockey could be eliminated. May need some pressure put on school board. This is Jeff's personal belief. Reality is the hockey program has put a target on them selves this year. Also, the school district is facing another budget crisis this year and will be making cuts. Fear is that the school board is going to have to make significant cuts and hockey could be a target due to issues and cost of the program. We need to be aware of what is going on and put some preemptive moves in place to have a presence.

Does getting in the conference help? Probably hasn't hurt us.

Blue Line Club: School said they would keep hockey and ask for up to \$5,000 donation. They did fundraise for busing for the kids and have donated about \$6,000.

Tim needs information on what we can do to help. We'd better start developing relations with school board members. Draft letters to each board member? Introduce who we are? Jeff thinks anything that can put a positive light on the hockey community.

If hockey goes away what are the options for those kids to still play hockey? Haven't researched extensively. If we don't have High School hockey, you can't just go play at other High Schools. Youth Association could have a Junior Gold A team (High School hockey). But, there is something to be said about playing for your school. Need to research all options.

New Business:

Need to review board descriptions and assign responsibility. Need to write up recommendation on bylaw changes to be motioned at next Membership meeting. Need to do both of these at the next board meeting in March.

Old Business

Next board meeting, March 19th at 7 pm.

Motion to adjourn – 9:25 p.m.