

NBAHA

Board Meeting Minutes

February 24, 2010

Meeting called to order at: 7:40 p.m.

Board Members Present: Jeff Henderson, Janelle Olson, Kristi White, Tom Garin, Tim Cashill, Tim Hink, Paige Lee, Lisa Isaacson, Cherie Turek

Members Present: Lisa Henderson, Scott Hannah, Ryan Coleman

C/D Mite Teams Requesting Additional Ice Time

The D-Mite coach is asking for more indoor ice to practice for their upcoming Jamboree. He feels this will help them to be more competitive.

The C-Mite Team does not have ice scheduled before the Sauk-Rapids tournament.

It was noted that the Dry-Land facility is still available and outdoor ice may still be an option.

Tim Cashill asked the board if we should approve 2 hours of ice time (1 each week) before the Jamboree for the D-Mite team. It was noted that the association does have money to support this ice time. It was stated that if we do give ice that we give it to both C and D Mite Teams.

Tom Garin did point out that he will need to see what is available and if there is still outdoor ice available for these teams. There are currently times open at Isanti that cost \$100-\$150

A comment was made that we need to keep consistent and that the hours of ice time have already been set for these teams. This may turn out to be a problem in the future if other teams are also looking to have the association pay for these additional ice fees.

Motion to not spend money to buy more ice time for the CMite and DMite teams made by Tim Hink, seconded by Jeff Henderson. Motion carried.

Nominating Committee Update

Paige and Tim were unable to find anyone from the membership to participate in the Nominating committee.

President: Tim Cashill is willing to stay on in this position for another 2 years.

Vice President: Jeff Henderson had agreed to take this position for one year as part of a transition. This was agreed upon and he will be resigning from this position. Paige Lee will be appointed to this position after Jeff officially resigns from this position.

Treasurer: This position is not up for election. However, if Paige moves up to the VP position, there will be a vacancy in this position. Tim Hink is a potential board member that could move into this position.

Secretary: This position is currently filled by Cherie Turek who has agreed to stay on for another 2 years.

Coaching Director – Tom Garin has shown some potential interest in this position. It has been noted that we need to develop better coaches and that Tom could serve the association best in this role as this is a critical role in our association. There was full agreement that it is going to take a couple of years to build up this position. Tom has noted that he is unable to fill both this position and his current position as Ice Director. We need to get more direction from the High School coach on what he expects from his players.

Ice Director - We have another scheduler on the CI side, however, this position does require 2 people. Tom Garin has agreed to help mentor another person to fill this Ice Directory position. There are currently no recommendations for this position. The nominating committee is still seeking interested members for this position.

Publicity Director– Lisa Isaacson has agreed to stay on in this position.

Mite Director – Ray Croal has agreed to be added to the ballot for this position.

Registrar – Barb Boelk has agreed to be added to the ballot for this position.

Fundraising – Janelle Olson has agreed to stay on in this position.

Nomination Ballot

A ballot will be created with these nominations on the ballot and presented at the Annual Membership Meeting scheduled for March 30th. These are the recommendations of the Board. If someone else would like to run for any of these positions, they can still add their name to the ballot. They can only be added to the ballot through a nomination at the membership meeting made by another member. They need to be nominated and accept the nomination.

An additional Board meeting will be added on March 29th to finish going through our list of topics for discussion with the Annual Membership meeting taking place on March 30th.

Disbursements

Here is a list of organizations that we have given money to in the past as part of our annual disbursements:

Camp Sunrise
City of Stacy
Early Childhood Coalition
NB Music Booster Club
North Branch Library
North Branch Lions
Ruby's Pantry Food Shelf

Senior All Night Party
Trinity Christian School
Youth Service Bureau
Blue Line Club (Varsity Hockey Booster Club)
Pheasants Forever

Suggestions:

Trinity Christian School – This is a prime age group for mites. The Association has used this facility for pictures and mite meetings. We could use these funds to upgrade the physical education in the gym. They did ask for funds last year and were not chosen by the association.

Pheasants Forever – This group paid for 2 spots and let us use one spot for free.

Library – We regularly use there facility for meetings.

NB Booster Club - Has a goal to raise funds to give it to the school as a donation to keep their program.

A proposal was made by Jeff Henderson to give 10% of our overall disbursements to each of these groups equally. The remainder would go to the City of Stacy. This would be in the tune of \$300 with a total disbursement of \$25,000.

\$17,000 was disbursed to reduce ice fees for traveling and mite skaters.

\$5-7,000 remaining funds could be disbursed to each organization equally by giving each 10% of the total disbursement funds of \$25,000.

This will be finalized at the next board meeting before the annual meeting on March 30th.

Service Requirement:

The board needs to decide how many shifts of volunteer hours will be required for all returning families for the 10/11 season. Lisa will be at the Annual Mite/Parent Meeting to talk with parents about the online DIBS program.

It was noted that the core group of volunteers are covering many more hours of service hours than other families in the association.

Our current 3 credits of volunteer time are comparable to 6 hours.

It was discussed that we need to have more service hour requirements. We did bump this service requirement up this year. All service requirements or payments must be up-to-date before families can register their kids for next season.

Comments were made that some people showed up for events to fulfill their volunteer hours and that their time may not have been beneficial to the association.

There was full agreement that we need to identify specific tasks for people if we are to get more people to agree to these volunteer assignments.

There was concern by board members that we could turn families away by requiring too many hours of volunteer time.

It was proposed that we bump up the service credits from 3 to 4 and require new families to fulfill 1 credit. Another proposal was to require half (2) credits of the requirements be filled by a certain date or cash the \$200 check and another (2) credits by the end of the season and ask for an additional \$200 if these credits are not obtained.

Comments were made around reducing the amount of things we do as an association. Lisa noted that we have cut many things from the schedule over the last couple of years.

Paige proposed being proactive and asking people to do specific tasks. This could be done by calling and talking with members directly.

The agreement made by the majority of board members was to raise the service credits from 3 to 4. New families would not be required to fulfill these requirements.

Old Business:

- Paige – Collection status of payments received for player registration
- Lisa I – Website Advertising Progress
- Lisa I - Annual Gambling Disbursement
- Lisa I – Grant Update
- Tim C. – Arena Update
- Tim C. - Joint Co-Op Meeting with Cambridge

New Business:

- Nomination Ballot
- Look at setting the budget in April/May
- Board – Review schedule for Membership and Board Meetings

Next Months Meeting:

March 29th at 7:00pm (North Branch Library)

Motion to adjourn – 9:05pm. Motion made by Janelle Olson, Paige Lee seconded. Motion carried.