

NBAHA

Board Meeting Minutes

March 29, 2010

Meeting called to order at: 7:05 p.m.

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

Members Present: None

Ballot Discussion

The 2010 ballot has been decided for the upcoming Annual Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, March 30th. Kerry Harvey has been added to the ballot for the registrar position. Barb Boelke was willing to take this position when there were no other potential candidates, but the time commitment was a concern. Barb will be available to the board to help out with other activities as needed. Brian Kerchner was also added to the ballot for the Ice Director position.

Motion to approve the 2010 annual ballot made by Kristi White, Tim Hink seconded. Motion carried.

Presentation Material at Membership Meeting

It was decided that all candidates will give a brief introduction of themselves that includes their involvement in the association.

A communication will be sent out to let members know that the traveling skaters' patches will be available for pick-up at the annual meeting on Tuesday, March 30th. The S.K.A.T.E. awards will also be available for pick-up at the annual meeting.

There was discussion about promoting parents to turn in the S.K.A.T.E. paperwork by recognizing the skaters at the Ground Breaking ceremony.

Joint Board Meeting with CI

The Joint Board meeting with Cambridge Isanti is scheduled for Wednesday, April 14th at 7pm at the North Branch Library

Discussion Items

- Do away with Coaches try outs
- Get through the try outs and then pick out teams
- Talk through what we can do better next year with the final decks
- Final Roster Sign-Ups may be moving up for next season which will give us only one week to complete everything. Talk about moving try outs to 1st week in October.
 - 1st Monday of October 4th – Final Decks

- October 9th and 10th – Final Sign-Ups
- Look at setting up the budget earlier in the year. This would allow us to budget in other activities such as dryland training, goalie clinics, skating clinics, etc...
- Send all agenda items for this meeting to Cherie Turek. Cherie will send out periodic updates of the agenda prior to the scheduled meeting date.

It was decided that both old and new Board Members should attend this Joint Board Meeting. We would also like to schedule a time to go through the handbook with the new members.

An agenda item will be added to the April Board meeting to go through the handbook with current and new board members. Copies of the handbook will be distributed to the new members at the Annual Membership meeting.

Lisa did note that existing board members clean out their email before it is handed over to the new board members by the end of April.

Review Schedule for Membership and Board Meetings

There was discussion around separating out the Membership and Board meetings to different nights. There was concern that it may be difficult to get together more than one time per month. Thursday nights are not good when scheduling summer meetings.

A suggestion was made to start the Board meetings at 6pm, followed by the Membership Meeting at 7pm. Additional Board agenda items would be covered following the Membership Meeting.

We will look at scheduling the monthly meetings during the summer months to Wednesday nights and changing this schedule in September.

Schedule Board Meeting for Sunday 4/11 at 6pm. The Joint Board meeting with CI will take place on Wednesday at 7pm. The April Membership Meeting will be held on 4/28 at 7pm.

May meeting will take place on May 26th with the Board meeting starting at 6pm followed by the Membership Meeting at 7pm and finishing up with the final Board agenda.

Collecting Past Due Payments:

Current outstanding amounts are outlined below.

Paige sent a letter out today to families still holding outstanding balances.

\$14000 outstanding

\$8000 still owed by 6 families.

The 2010/2011 season will require online registration. We will need to discuss set fees to make the online registration work. Look at seeing how other associations handle this process. There may be a need to have 2 separate registrations.

Everything is paid in full with a current checkbook balance of \$3,300

Look at setting budget in April/May

Paige believes that we need to look at setting the budget earlier in the year for transitioning purposes. This includes the skating clinic, checking clinic, dryland center, goalie clinics, etc...We may need to order more jerseys. The budget has to be done and approved by August. This will be added to the Joint Board Meeting agenda.

Selecting Date for PP Event

The Power Play event has been scheduled for October 9th at the Lent Town Hall. Need to try and get as many Mite families to attend this event. This event should be announced at Mite Night.

Restrictions on Sharing Hockey Opportunities:

There is a section on the website where members can request to post online the sale of their equipment.

Arena Update:**Ground Breaking Ceremony – May 22nd from 3-6pm**

Craig Moline has talked with the Mayor of Stacy and said it was okay to move forward with this ceremony.

LIONS will open concession for food and beer and will split profits with us.

Fundraising – We will use this ceremony to create a carnival effect and have hockey shooting games, carnival activities, booth sponsors, etc...

Barb Boelke will be working with Lisa to publicize this event through TV, newspaper, website, and calling posts.

We will be requesting Nordy. However, if something does come up with his schedule, he may or may not be able to attend this event. We can receive 1 hour free for the hockey association with each additional hour costing \$150/hour and \$70/milage.

Paige also knows a defenseman of the Gophers that may also be willing to attend.

Have a competition to get an ambassador for each team level by having them write an essay on “I love North Branch Hockey because.....”

Look to local businesses to sponsor some of the prizes.

- Boxes of cereal from General Mills
- Dairy Queen may look to donate tokens for dilly bars

Grants (Amateur Sports Commission – Mighty Ducks Funding)

Char Croal is working on an Anderson Windows grant.

Lisa will go through the arena proposal and get it up-to-date.

There was an agreement by the Board to call the new arena “Stacy Sports Complex”.

USA Hockey/Degree Hockey Jersey Giveaway

There was a posting about USA Hockey having a jersey giveaway. They have jerseys for ages 7-12 that have 6 colors numbered 1-17 in a set. We can order what sets we want for these age levels. There is room on the jersey to add our logo. There are mixed sized. Lisa will submit a request for the smaller jerseys to supply our mite level players and see what happens.

Website Advertising

Lisa has put together a completed form. This will be added to the next Board meeting agenda. Look to Abby as she is looking to create the CINB logo.

List a contact plan on what corporations we did hit up for donations and when that was done. We do not want to hit up the same organizations for getting donations for several different events.

Rotating Schedule for taking care of Outdoor Ice

Need to put someone in charge of the outdoor rink. There was no coordinated effort last season. This will be put on agenda for the May Board meeting.

We need to make a decision on if we need to continue taking care of the shack as it is in need of roof repair. We would need to work with the school or community to get someone else to maintain the rink when the new Stacy Sports Complex is being built.

Short term we would like to get the light fixed that is over the shack and then look at fixing the roof.

Co-Op:

We will wait until the new board members are elected and discuss this topic at joint board meeting. We will need to look at level of play and filling the arena. There were only a select few that were against the Co-op. Need to look at numbers before we start allowing kids to try out at higher levels of play. There will not be a DMite team as there are no CMites that will move up.

Old Business:

- Paige – Collection status of payments received for player registration
- Lisa I – Website Advertising Progress
- Lisa I – Handbook Review with new Board members
- Lisa I – Grant Update
- Tim C. – Arena Update

New Business:

- Nominating Committee – Ballot of potential candidates
- Joint Co-Op Meeting with Cambridge Isanti

Annual Meeting: Scheduled for March 30th at 7:00pm

Motion to adjourn – 9:35pm. Motion made by Paige Lee, Tom Garin seconded. Motion carried.