



River Falls Youth Hockey Association

December 12th, 2010 Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Sunday December 12th, 2010

Place: Riverview Hotel and Suites

Board Members Present: Mike Kealy, Tom Magill, Dan Briese, Marc Harer, Paul Wilson, Troy Kusilek, Lisa Woiwode, Jody Christensen, and Brian Sylla

Board Members Not Present: Jesse Getzie, Kent Manglitz, Dave Buck

Guests:

Notes taken by: Marc Harer

Meeting called to order @ 5:00pm by Tom Magil

Approval of meeting minutes from November 14th, 2010 Board meeting

Jody motioned to approve minutes from November 14th, 2010 Board meeting Lisa 2nd motion. Board voted in favor – approved.

FINANCE OPERATIONS

Financial Report (Treasurer)

- Dan provided summary of financials. Outstanding debt (short term) has been reduced to \$83, 562.43.

USDA Walk-through

- Dan had the annual walk-through with Dan Davidson and the USDA. Everything went well and the USDA representative commented on how well kept the rink was.

Raffle Ticket hardship (Mike)

- Mike had a request from a family with respect to Raffle tickets that was discussed. Being as the tickets are a sellable item no hardship will be provided.

HOCKEY OPERATIONS

Double Rostering

- Double rostering is often required in our association due to the limited numbers of skaters we encounter at some levels. This limitation may require the Board of Directors and coaches to decide that an additional player or players are required to field a team at a specific age classification.
- The policy for double rostering was reviewed in order to provide a detailed process for the association and coaches to follow in the upcoming years.

- This resulted in the following policy and motion to approve. It is likely additional motions will be needed in order to complete the double rostering policy.
- **The Board of Directors will allow for coaches to extend a team roster to 14 players via double rostering. Double rostering players will only be utilized when less than 11 players (including goalie) are expected to be available for a game. The number of double rostered players called up for a game should only bring the total skaters for that game to 11. The double rostered skaters should be rotated equally throughout the season. This will be managed by the teams head coach and manager.**

Jody motioned to approve the above double rostering policy, Lisa 2nd motion. Board voted in favor – approved.

WAHA Division of Play

- Jody discussed the thought of a potential request to WAHA for the change in the level of play for the upcoming years. Based on the associations size and competitiveness it may make sense to request play as a Division 3 association.
- RFYHA is currently a Division 2 association.
- RFYHA does not currently participate in a WAHA league.
- This will be further reviewed at an upcoming Board meeting.

Mite Program

- A 4 level (Atom/Mite) program is being considered based primarily on the USA Hockey American Development Model.
- The ADM provides a U8 plan which is comprised of two main levels; the (LTP) Learn to Play Mite level and the Advanced Mite level. You can find more information at the following website http://www.usahockey.com/amateur_hockey_as38/default.aspx?NAV=AF_28&ID=265750
- This will be further reviewed at an upcoming Board meeting.

Ice Schedule

- Ice time availability and current scheduled times were discussed.
 - It was determined that if an earlier ice time was available on a given day the coach could elect to move a practice to that earlier ice time.
 - This can be done if ice has not been sold and is available 1 week in advance.
 - Lisa will communicate this to the team managers.
- Atoms/Mites ice time and schedules were discussed
 - It was determined that additional ice time could be provided for the remainder of the season.

Lisa motioned to approved the combining of Atoms and Mites practices as of January 1st through the remainder of the 2010/2011 season, Troy 2nd motion. Board voted in favor – approved.

Misc.

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BUILDING OPERATIONS

Action Items

- ***Jody will be putting together a schedule for coverage of High School games, Fusion games, and Tournaments by an assigned Board member.***
- ***Marc will coordinate with Twin States to get the games picked up/removed.***

Open Skate coverage

- Volunteer coverage needed to ensure safety of skaters and that payment is being received by all skaters.

Skybox

- Brian continues to work with Ross & Associates on plans and schedule.

Karyn Bye Display Case

- Brian has everything completed and is ready to hand the case in the lobby once the games are removed.

COMMUNICATION OPERATIONS

Action Items

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Weekly Communication

- Lisa will be providing weekly communications to the team managers with respect to what is going on at the arena (games, tournaments, etc..). She will also provide details to Jeanne for posting on the website.

Annual Meeting Prep

- Discussion of annual meeting preparation and identification of agenda items.
- *[Examples for agenda]* Atoms/Mites program, registration fees/late fee's , amounts of ice time, Total Hockey, WAHA division of play,

OTHER ITEMS

Looking Forward –

- **January**
 - Raffle drawing (1st Month)
 - Tournament items
 - Regional playoff preparation
 - Review financial
- **February**
 - Raffle drawing (2nd Month)
 - Annual meeting preparation
 - Request state tournament (Due April 1st)
 - Regional playoffs
 - Fat Boys tournament preparation
 - Golf tournament preparation (May 31st)
 - Twin States pool tournament preparation

Next board meeting will be 5:30p January 16th at the Riverview Hotel & Suites

Marc motioned to end meeting at 8:00pm, Tom 2nd motion. Board voted in favor – approved.