

Present: Wade Chiodo, Scott Andersen, Tracy Pogue, Dave Larson, Tony Mannausau, Neil Huewe

Absent: Tom Kuesel

Guests: Jana Norgaard, Brian Hartje, Fred Graves

1. Fred Graves presented a package of information regarding several items of interest to the HDC. As a past HDC member and coach for many years in BYHA, Fred had a wealth of info for the HDC and provided this history to the HDC. Much appreciated Fred!
2. Jana Norgaard also visited and had questions and comments on how BYHA decides the format for our age groups. Specifically, the Squirt program this past year. Jana brought good info to the committee and was greatly appreciated. Several topics covered and discussed.
3. Dan Alto gave a quick overview of the Mite/8U program as he saw it this past year. Program for next year will be coordinated thru Craig Larson, Tony Mannausau and Dan. More communication was needed and it is our intent to make this happen next year. Informational meeting(s) will be scheduled late summer or early fall to inform all members and coaches of the program. USA Hockey has also agreed to hold a seminar for us this coming pre-season. More info forthcoming on this.
4. Coaches evaluations will be sent out to all members this week.
5. HDC meetings will be held monthly or as needed. Tentative plan is to use the second Sunday of each month as the night. Time and place tbd. Confirming this is Wade and will notify us all.
6. Goalie Clinic: Wednesday nights was hard for some goalies to attend. Wade checking with Kraig Petrowski to see if another day might work better for all goalies.
7. Dry land training...when, where, how, etc was discussed. Lack of space for this activity was discussed. HDC would love to implement...where and when is the issue. Other associations in and around Bemidji are doing this...we would like to start. More discussion needed.
8. Girls Program:
 - a. HS coaches...search is on for new head coach with resignation of Coach Menne and Huerd.
 - b. JV is the direction they HS is considering rather than 14U. New coach will determine.
 - c. Recruiting girls is CRUCIAL for our program to get stronger.
 - d. 8U time on the ice was good...shared with 10U ok...having girls only was good.
9. 2011-12 Coach plan...many will be back, some will not. Plan is to get applications from any new coach and advertise this on our website. Wrapping up coaches will be front burner all spring and summer.
10. Total number of teams will be determined this summer, however, it appears we will have 2 SQ, 3PW, 2 Bantam, 1-10U and 1-12U. No 14U as they are going to JV. Lots more discussion needed here.
11. Next meeting TBD by Wade.