

NBAHA

Board Meeting Minutes

September 28, 2011

Meeting called to order at: 7:20 p.m.

Board Members Present: Tim Cashill, Lisa Isaacson, Cherie Turek, Scott Hanna, Ray Croal, Kerry Harvey, Brian Kerchner, Tom Garin, Janelle Olson

Members Present: Nick Miller, Tim Hink

Mite Evaluation Packet

The Mite Evaluation packet has been started and Brian is working to get this completed 2 weeks before the evaluations. Tim would like to see more board involvement with the Mite evaluations. The Try-out committee for traveling could also take part in the mite evaluations. We would like to have the same spreadsheet layout that we use in the traveling skater try-out process.

There will be some natural progression for mite levels. We can look at team selections for the October board meeting. The head coaches will then make the call on team selection. Brian and Ray have been talking to parents for other head coaches for the other mite levels.

The board will all be required to participate at the Mite evaluations. We need to be pro-active and look at having a mite pre-skate meeting to inform parents of how the evaluations will be conducted and what will happen during these evaluations. A one sheet flyer will be handed out before the pre-skates take place so parents understand the process of the pre-skates and evaluations. We can look at having a meeting with the parents during the beginning of the pre-skates.

Tryout Update

The evaluators will include three (3) White Bear Lake evaluators and Nick Miller will be the fourth evaluator. They are given the scale of 1 through 9. The program is built for a scoring of 1-9. Lisa will check with Linda to see if this scale can be reduced. The conference room is between rinks 6 and 7. We are planning to have a registration table in front of Rink5 for Friday night.

- The following coaches will be on the ice with the Squirts during evaluation – Cashill, Garin, and Schmitt.
- The following coaches will be on the ice with the PeeWees during evaluation – Courtright and Ferderer

Sunday is earlier and we will plan to end as late at 8pm that evening. We need to solidify teams and coaches for all the teams on Sunday. We can have a motion to approve coaches at this meeting as well. Tom would like to have an October ice sheet available for the coaches before their first practice.

A document has been sent out to all board members outlining assigned duties during the pre-skates and evaluations each day. The coaches on the ice are responsible for the locker room supervision.

NBAAA Youth Recreation Night

NBAAA would like the NBAHA to provide 2-3 people and prove the background checks to run the concessions at Youth Recreation night at the Middle School. They are asking if we can check with insurance to cover as a co-sponsor. They would like 2-3 people to run concessions for approximately 5 nights. The board has decided that we will not look into this as an association for the insurance coverage. The Friday nights that they need people to help with concessions are listed below: November 11, Dec 9, Jan 20, Jan 27, Feb 17. We have agreed that we can get enough people to volunteer for these positions and get the appropriate background checks if necessary. Those members that are employees of the school district would not need to get a background check as this is done prior to employment.

Co-op Discussion

The PeeWee numbers at Cambridge Isanti are 18-19 players. They have potentially 5-7 players that could co-op at a lower level PeeWee team. We may look at waiting to contact our PeeWee players a couple of days after try-outs to finalize decisions. Cambridge Isanti has 17 squirts and could possibly waive over a couple of players at this level as well.

Tom, Tim and Lisa will meet with several Cambridge board members on Thursday 9/29/2011 to discuss co-op options for waiving players into North Branch at the traveling levels.

Past Due Fee Collection

Scott will be contacting families with past due payments and will ask them to get payments in by Friday before try-outs or their player will not participate in the try-outs and will not skate for the association until payment has been received.

Coaching Selection

All those interested in coaching should be ranked. That way if a player does not make the top team, the next coach in rank would get the opportunity to coach that team. This selection process is still under discussion.

Web Store (Nick Miller)

The web store is functioning, but we need to make it profitable. Nick would like the members to select what items to list on this site. Do we build an inventory and have 12-24 pieces of each item? The item would then need to be picked up and delivered. This would require paying for the inventory up front. Do we want to look at possibly selling items at a specific location? The fundraising director would order and hold the product for delivery as another option.

Another option is selecting ordering windows, where you can order items up to a certain date and the ship date would all be the same. PeeWee and Squirrel teams can look at sending out forms for what players can order for try-out apparel. We could look at putting together a packet of items and

have the order forms available. Coaches can bring this up as part of the parent meeting and set an end date. We could look at traveling in October and the mites in November.

Look to provide the initial order form and then include average sizes and buy extras to look at selling later. A 1-sided print on a t-shirt is \$5-6. If we could build an inventory with warm-ups, hoodies, and hats would be readily available for those that want to purchase these items. The web store will keep track if an item is not available. Nick recommends building an inventory \$1500-\$2000 worth of inventory which can also include gift certificates.

Conner Lee Hockey Fees

Motion to waive Conner Lee's hockey fees for the 2011-2012 season made by Tom Garin, seconded by Lisa Isaacson. Motion Carried.

Motion to adjourn at 11:05pm. Motion made by Ray Croal, seconded by Kerry Harvey. Motion Carried.