

# **NBAHA**

## **Board Meeting Minutes**

### **October 26, 2011**

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**Meeting called to order at: 6:55 p.m.**

**Board Members Present:** Tim Cashill, Lisa Isaacson, Cherie Turek, Scott Hanna, Ray Croal, Kerry Harvey, Janelle Olson

**Members Present:** Tim Hink

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**Hockey Picture (We Got Game) -** A Mites, U8 Girls, B1 Peewees and both Squirt teams will be on November 14th, B2 Peewees and the rest of the mites will be on Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>

#### **NBAAA Youth Recreation Night**

Volunteers participating in Youth Recreation Night will need to be at the Middle School on November 11<sup>th</sup> starting at 6:30pm to run the concession stand. We do need background checks for those that are volunteering for this position. Kerry will check into the background checks through the association and will see if the school will accept this for all of our members.

On November 19<sup>th</sup> at the Schwann's Center will be a youth sports activity. The Athletic association has agreed to pay for 2 people from our association to attend this and bring information back to them. It will be from 8AM to Noon. This would be a good event to attend from our association. The information gathered from this event could then be brought back to the NBAAA group. The cost is around \$25 per person.

#### **Past Due Fee Collection**

We have been receiving payment for past due fees over the last couple of weeks. Scott will be scheduling a meeting with our collection agency and will follow up with them on outstanding balances that they have not been able to collect and determine what our next steps will be.

#### **Team Sponsors**

The owners of Dairy Queen approached us about team sponsorship. Lisa talked to Cambridge Isanti to see how they handle team sponsorship. They had a fee of \$500 for traveling teams and \$300 for mites. They included their advertising on the jerseys for the teams with the players names included. We have not done team sponsorships in the past as we have been looking for additional funds to help fund the arena project. Do we want to take their offer and look at putting the money toward the arena? We should look at including team sponsorships with the website advertising package. We should also offer this to other local businesses if this is being made available to Dairy Queen. Lisa has an existing form that would need to be changed slightly and then could bring it to Dairy Queen to get a better feeling about what he was thinking as it relates to team sponsorship. Lisa will send out an email to Paul who will bring this information to this potential sponsor. The board will initially start with looking for sponsorships that have fees that fall between \$500 to \$700. This package would also include a sponsorship plaque that would be hung in the arena facility.

### **Webstore**

Mike Whiting has looked on the engine webstore for other options for building our own webstore. If we want to try and do a webstore we need to make sure there are no upfront costs and the provider would carry the inventory until purchased. The Association would automatically receive 5% of the profit. The provider would warehouse and ship the entire inventory. Lisa has not looked into this closely, but can look into it more if we want to pursue a webstore for selling North Branch apparel with funds from these profits going back into the association. Nick Miller has been supportive in helping the association build an online webstore, however, his business has grown and no longer supports our model of a smaller organization. We need to look at another organization to supply items on a webstore. We can also look at other association websites and see if they have something available online in the lines of a webstore.

### **Apparel Order**

Lisa and Janelle met with Nick Miller on the warm-up apparel options for our traveling and mite players. We are going to look at getting the warm-up products from Lee's PRO Shop and printing will be done by Nick Miller's company in bulk. Nick is going to work with Lee's on keeping the price down for our association members. This will include \$115 for the warm-up jacket, pants and more and then you could order individual items if you wanted. We will need to let parents know that there is a warranty period for warm-ups that did last and that this apparel can be replaced if needed.

### **Traveling Coaching Selections**

#### CSquirt Coaches

Head Coach: Mike Fabini

Assistant Coaches: Steve Lee, Joe Wyenberg, Jeff McCarty, Rich Ohmann, Paul Edoff

Motion to approve the head and assistant coaches for the C Squirt team made by Brian Kerchner, seconded by Kerry Harvey. Motion Carried.

#### B1 Squirt Coaches

The B1 Squirt Head coach, Chris Courtright, would like the board to approve Jess Richards, Chris Ferderer, and Jim Axberg as his assistant coaches for this team

#### B1 PeeWee Coaches

The B1 PeeWee Head coach, Tim Cashill, would like the board to approve Don Schmidt, Craig Moline, Bill Rice, and Steve Lee as his assistant coaches for this team.

#### B2 PeeWee Coaches

The B2 PeeWee Head coach, Tom Garin, would like the board to approve Tim Hink, Dan Linkert, Steve Borer, and Brooks Rajala as his assistant coaches for this team.

Motion to approve the assistant coaches (as listed above) made by Janelle Olson, seconded by Brian Kerchner and Kerry Harvey. Motion carried.

**Mite Coaches Selection**

## Amite (Black and White)

HC – Brian Kerchner  
AC – Todd Harvey  
AC – Ray Croal  
AC – Danny Lesman  
Manager – Angie Iverson/Lea Kerchner

## U8 Girls

HC – Bruce Anderson  
AC – Chris Boese  
AC – Chuck Saleen  
AC – Joe Weyenberg  
Manager – TBD

## CMite White

HC – Todd Iverson  
AC – Brandon Thyen  
AC – Ray Croal  
AC – Todd Harvey  
AC – Sean Flynn

## CMite Red

HC – Chris Ferderer  
AC – Mike Jinks  
AC – Tim Langevin  
Manager – TBD

Motion to approve the head coaches for the upper Mite level team made by Lisa Isaacson, seconded by Tom Grain. Motion carried.

**DMite Coaches Selection**

## DMite Black

HC – Keith Johnson  
AC – TBD  
Manager - TBD

## DMite White

HC – Jacob Blank  
AC – Tom Hock  
Manager - TBD

## DMite Red

HC – Derek Green  
AC – Kyle Nelson  
Manager – TBD

Motion to approve the head coaches for the DMite level teams made by Kerry Harvey, seconded by Ray Croal. Motion Carried.

### **D10 Calendar**

The District10 Activity Calendar includes all the coaching information for D10 coaches. This website reviews when district play starts, when scheduling starts, district play-offs by level, and many other items related to D10 hockey. Tim will check to see who will be hosing the district level play offs this season.

### **Gambling Manager Salary**

There seems to be a base amount of work no matter how many sites are supported by the association gambling manager. Tim and Janelle discussed the fee and came up with a salary that consisted of a \$500 flat salary and \$200 per site. This would increase her salary to \$900 total. We needed to look at what is the manager salary versus just a paid employee who is paid an hourly rate. Motion to increase Janelle's or any gambling manager's salary to include a \$500 flat salary and an additional \$200 per site for a total of \$900 with two current sites made by Ray Croal, seconded by Kerry Harvey. Motion Carried

### **Ice Schedules**

There have been some questions about how we have gone about scheduling ice this year. If we have two (2) unshared sheets of ice back to back, should we be skating 2 hour practices so both teams share the ice for 2 hours? Do we look at overlapping shared ice with some full sheet practices? We need to look at more shared and back to back ice and less full ice practices. The Ice Director, Tom Garin, will look into changing some of the full ice practices to shared ice with multiple teams.

### **Mite Equipment Deposits**

We need to put together an inventory list of what we have and where things are currently especially for items that are not in the storage locker. Kerry will keep track of the forms and checks of equipment that has been checked out. Goalie equipment should be checked out to the coaches of each team. Joe and Tim currently have keys to hand out and fit equipment from the storage locker. We do need to figure out where all the goalie gear is stored. We need to have the equipment manager get families to fill out the form for equipment they are handing out with a deposit check included if we are going to keep track of our equipment from year to year.

### **Champlin Park – Taste of Hockey**

This included 5 (1 hour) sessions of ice to teach people about hockey. At the end there was a pizza party and a screen or slide show from the previous ice sessions. We may want to look at doing something like this next season and then provide the learn to skate sessions as a benefit to our community. We could also look at skate and cycle for leasing skates for the event as well. Lisa will email them and ask some more questions. This is another idea to bring hockey to more potential hockey skaters in the community.

**Motion to adjourn at 8:50pm.** Motion made by Ray Croal, seconded by Kerry Harvey. Motion Carried.