# NBAHA Board Meeting Minutes May 29, 2012

Meeting called to order at: 6:56 p.m.

Board Members Present: Scott Hannah, Lisa Isaacson, Tom Garin, Kim LaValle, Tim Cashill,

Cherie Turek, Janelle Olson, Keith Johnson

Members Present: Ryan Coleman

## Girls Co-Op Discussion with St. Francis:

We were looking at \$1000 per U10 player and will look at charitable gambling to offset the fees if needed. We have not received a current update from Bruce Anderson. Tim did send Bruce all of our current co-op documentation. The Co-op committee includes Bruce Anderson, Tim Hink, and Tim Cashill. Tim will follow up with Bruce on this co-op with St. Francis.

#### **Bantam Level Players Decision:**

Steve Lee, Scott Isaacson, and Chris Fairbanks met with the High School coach, Coach Deschneau, to discuss the safety concerns with these 8<sup>th</sup> grade players playing at the High School level next season. Other concerns were transportation and the captain's practices. The Blue Line Club would work to find a coach for the captain's practices and address other issues related to transportation. Coach Deschneau put together an STP program for his players. The parents seem comfortable that Coach Deschneau will make sure these kids are safe both on and off the ice.

## 2012/2013 Online Registration

Kim has met with Justin, NGIN support, both over the phone and via email. She also met with Lisa Isaacson on this process as well. She has submitted the request form and received a draft layout as displayed in the board meeting. We have set a traveling date of an August 1<sup>st</sup> deadline. There is also a separate page that will be posted for Mite level hockey. This Mite level registration site will go live following the Mite evaluations. All mite families will need to go back and complete their payment depending on the mite level they will be playing at in the coming season.

We are still waiting on the transaction payment. Kim will need to follow up with Kerry on collecting the team books as these also include birth certificates. This is needed as part of roster sign-offs. Lisa will send out an email blast and calling post to existing members once registration is complete and available online.

## 2012/2013 Updated Budget

Cherie will send out the updated budget to the board so Kim can update the registration website with the correct numbers.

#### **Coaching Selection**

There have been a number of questions brought to Tom as it relates to applying for coaching positions for the upcoming hockey season. There could potentially be 3 squirt teams and 2 peewee

teams next season and he would like to open up the opportunity for those interested in coaching to try-out for the top-level coach positions. Tom would like anyone that wants to be a head coach at any team level respond to his email or calling post. Tom will begin this process next week and will be sending out an email blast and a calling post to current members.

### **Fundraising Update**

There will be a Brat Stand in July, a Golf Tournament in July, the Oak Inn Fundraiser, and the summer raffle.

Tim would like to look at setting up some type of event next season, such as power play, as a fund raising event. We may want to look at having an event at Stars and Strikes with a live band. There has been discussion that a live band does seem to draw more people to these fund raising events. A change does need to be made from what has been done in the past.

We need to move forward with potential sponsorships and look at putting together a coordinated effort to move this forward. This would include putting together a program and going door to door. There needs to be a group of individuals that can go around town and look at setting up a relationship with these organizations. Tim would like to see us schedule another fundraising committee meeting and see if those that want to be involved with the sponsorships attend this next meeting. We need to begin focusing our efforts on fundraising that will provide a larger profit.

**Coach Deschneau** – Would like to do a summer program for youth hockey players this summer. Tom Garin will connect with Coach Deschneau on this Youth STP program.

**Grants for Players** – The associations need to look into potential grants for subsidizing some of the registration costs for traveling level skaters. We can begin by looking at having members work at different charitable gambling events that would go against their ice bills. Dome Bucks is another potential option to members as well. Keith Johnson will look into this further and provide an update at the next board meeting.

**Lisa Isaacson** – Lisa has decided to step down from the board and is willing to help us through this transition period. She has also agreed to continue working on the arena committee to push efforts forward on the arena project. Nikki Saleen has worked with Lisa over the last couple of years and has done work with Lisa that includes updates to DIBS and other online items. Nikki has expressed interest in filling this position.

**Motion to adjourn – 8:35pm**. Motion made by Tom Garin, seconded by Keith Johnson. Motion Carried.