



OSSEO-MAPLE GROVE HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

June Board Meeting Minutes

Date: June 11, 2012
 Location: Maple Grove Community Center

Executive Members		Present	Absent	Non-Voting Members		Present	Absent
President	Dennis Smith	x		Ace Coordinator	vacant		
Vice President Traveling	Jay Faber	x		Asst. Secretary	Amy Lee Olson	x	
Vice President Traveling	Mike Hoben		x	Asst. Treasurer	Open		x
Vice President Girls	Brad Dahl	x		Volunteer Coordinator	Dana Johnson		x
Vice President House	Curtis Janicke	x		Volunteer Coordinator	Jill Wentz		x
Treasurer	Tim Jacobs	x		Ice Coordinator	Greg Herdine		x
Secretary	Jesse Braasch	x		Equipment Manager	Open		
Direct Elect Board Members		Present	Absent	Equipment Manager	Open		
Charitable Gambling	Denise Hinton	x		Concession Stand Mgr	Ray Shepard	x	
Marketing Director	Avery Appelman			Concession Stand Mgr	Joy Kunz		x
Directors		Present	Absent	Registrar Traveling	Kristy Gouley	x	
Mite Director	Victor Nelson	x		Registrar House	Deann Hill	x	
SuperMite Director	Erik Kukkonen		x	Registrar House	Open		
District 3 Representative	Steve Knop		x	Web Master	Todd Frisvold		x
U10 Girls Director	Ken Helvey	x		Asst. Web Master	Chris Savoie	x	
U12 Girls Director	Mark Johnson	x		Asst Web Master – House	Don Johnson		x
U14 Girls Director	Greg Dachmeir	x		Community Development	Open		x
Jr. Gold Director	Roger Higbee		x	Scholastic Achievement	Larysa Karkoc		x
Bantam Director	Kent Gerloff	x		Tournament Chair	Open		x
Bantam Director	Kurt Halstrom	x		Tournament Chair	Open		x
PEEWEE Director	Luke Johnson		x	Mini- Mite Director	Matt Margenau		x
PEEWEE Director	Eric Hanson	x					
SQUIRT Director	Rob Borsch	x					
SQUIRT Director	Jeff Brandt		x				

The meeting was officially called to order by Dennis Smith at 8:00 pm.

1. **Meeting Called to order 8:00 pm**
 - a. Announcements by the president

- i. Appointments—Mike Hoben retires and we thank him for his time with the board, Dennis, as the President, appoints Rob Borsch to replace him as Vice President of Traveling
 - 1. Brad Leonard appointed to the position of Squirt Director to replace Rob Borsch
 - 2. Aric Stienessen appointed to House Goalie Development
- ii. Dryland access from EuroAmerican—5pm-8pm on Tuesday nights until the end of July (except for 4th of July week) for OMGHA players...5-6:30pm for House, Squirts & U10, 6:30-8pm—U12, U14, Bantam & PeeWee's. Players need to have a helmet or they will not be allowed in the dryland room. Euro America will have a rep there giving some instruction.
- iii. Skill Development – FHIT—the decision has been made not to renew the FHIT contract
- iv. Coaching Advertisement—Looking for PeeWee AA, A and C coaches and also coaches for Squirts, PeeWee & Bantams. Positions are being advertised on the OMGHA website and USA Hockey

2. Treasurer's Report—submitted by Tim Jacobs

- a. \$450,000 cash currently on hand, which is down about \$100,000 compared to last year due to jersey purchase in fall of 2011.

3. Consent Business

- a. Minutes from April 2012 – May Meeting Canceled
- b. Charitable Gaming Report: Approval of May Expenses: Attached are the charitable gambling reports for May 2012. Our sales were \$429,100, prizes paid were \$365,855, deposits were \$58,005 and expenses were \$26,901. Our sales decreased by \$63,644, we paid out \$62,497 less in prizes, our deposits decreased by \$2,467 and our expenses increased by \$269.
- c. Annual Meeting Election Results, read by Jesse Braasch
 - i. Confirmation for Traveling Directors—
 - 1. Girls—Greg Bachmeir
 - 2. U10 – Ken Helvey
 - 3. U12 – Mark Johnson
 - 4. U14 - Greg Bachmeir
 - 5. Bantam – Kurt Halstrom
 - 6. Bantam – Kent Gerloff
 - 7. Peewee – Luke Johnson
 - 8. Peewee – Eric Hanson
 - 9. Squirt – Jeff Brandt
 - 10. Squirt – Rob Borsch
- d. OMGHA Board Non-voting Members Appointments—will be voted on at the July meeting
- e. House Goalie Development Director, as state above, is Aric Stienessen
- f. Motion to approve by Denise Hinton second by...Jesse Braasch, motion carried unopposed and passes.

4. Committee Reports (submitted written reports are attached) — It is requested by the secretary, Jesse Braasch, that agenda items must be submitted at least 10 days prior to President or Secretary. Committee Reports to Asstant Secretary, Amy Lee Olson, by the Saturday before the meeting by 8pm.

a. Registrar Traveling/House—submitted by Kristy Gourley

- i. 2012 Roster Verification Dates:
 - 1. October 29 - Bantam, Peewee, 12U A&B
 - 2. November 8 - C, 10U, 14U, Squirt A&B
 - 3. November 19 - 14U
 - 4. December 3 - Mites, 8U, Jr Gold
 - 5. December 19 - Final
- ii. Registration start August 1?—Avery will circle back with the Registrars, Dennis approved August first, and Avery also approved
- iii. Walk in Registration - Sept 15?
- iii. Need 2012 fees to be able to update website—looking at leaving flat for 2012.
- iv. Background checks - need to be done for all board members--
<http://www.minnesotahockey.org/page/show/96281>

b. House Leagues—submitted by Curtis Janicke

- i. House VP – Curtis Janicke
- ii. SM/U8 Director – Erik Kukkonen

- iii. Mite Director – Vic Nelson
 - iv. Mini Mite Director – Matt Margenau
 - v. Looking for U8 Director to help coordinate U8 Program
 - vi. House Goalie Director – Aric Stienessen
 - 1. New Assistant Director has been name to the House Program – Aric Stienessen
 - vii. Spring 3 on 3 nearly completed. Jersey approach didn't get high marks. Currently looking at best way to balance/coordinate team structures for Fall 3 on 3 session.
 - 1. Looking for coordinator to run Fall 3 on 3 session
 - viii. House recommendation is to not use FHIT this coming season. Group felt the value was not worth the expense. Now considering the following option –
 - 1. Run skill development internally
 - a. Focus on training the coaches
 - b. Partner with High School programs to get their involvement
 - ix. Stick Handling and Shooting skill clinics were a big hit. Will look to continue those this coming season
 - x. Working with the Marketing Director and new Recruiting Coordinator to organize and support the following activities
 - 1. Equipment Drive
 - 2. Grants to obtain gear
 - 3. Intro To Hockey and Try Hockey For Free Events
 - 4. Parades
 - 5. Maple Grove Days Booth
 - 6. Goal For 100 Mini Mites this season
 - xi. Need to coordinate out communication to association members regarding what options exist for off season hockey development
 - xii. Considering Offering a Girls Rec League for girls 10 and under. Skate 1 hour per week starting in January.
- c. **District 3: report not submitted**
- d. **Ice Usage: report not submitted**
- e. **Boys Traveling: submitted by Rob Borsch**
- i. May-June Boys Traveling Program Update
 - ii. Level Director Assignments for year:
 - 1. Squirts – Rob Borsch, Jeff Brandt
 - 2. Pee Wees – Luke Johnson, Eric Hanson
 - 3. Bantams – Kent Gerloff, Kurt Halstrom
 - 4. Junior Gold – Roger Higbee
 - iii. Conducted exit interview at Squirt, Pee Wee and Bantam levels
 - iv. Formulating recommendations for coaching positions for next year
 - 1. Recommending Bantam AA coach – Tom Adolph
 - 2. Recommending Bantam A coach – Ross Carlson
 - 3. Recruiting candidates for Pee Wee AA and A teams for upcoming season
 - 4. Recommending Squirt A coach – Curtis Janicke
 - v. Gathered feedback from coaches to improve program for next year
 - 1. Received input and feedback on tryout and team selection process
 - 2. Received feedback on how association can create a better environment for coaches and players
 - vi. Held year-end coaches recognition dinner
 - vii. Reviewed Minnesota Hockey's AA/A changes for 2012-2013 season
 - 1. Will be recommended AA and A teams for both Pee Wee and Bantam levels
 - 2. Currently evaluating 2 Squirt A teams
 - viii. Planning 2012-2013 Tournaments with Level Director's, and returning coaches
 - 1. Are involving Director's and coaches to recruit teams for tournaments by reaching out to coaches and other associations directors
 - 2. Working with new Tournament Chair's to recommend tournaments by July 1
 - ix. Discussing creation of Player Development Committee
 - 1. Would oversee skill development program
 - 2. Determining committee members
 - 3. Would suggest tryout drills
 - x. Partnering with Maple Grove and Osseo High School coaches to determine involvement for upcoming season

- xi. June-July priorities:
 1. Pee Wee AA and Pee Wee A coaches
 2. Estimate # of teams at each level
 3. Select tournaments for each team
 4. Finalize OMGHA tournament plans
 5. Create and launch skill development committee

- f. **Girls Traveling submitted by Bradley Dahl:**
 - i. **U10-**
 1. Coaching application being collected for 2012-2013 season
 2. Teams being rostered (1) A, (2) B
 3. EAH will run development camp (tryouts)
 4. 10-15 coaches will pick teams based on development camp results
 5. Tournaments being signed up for all teams
 - ii. **U12**
 1. Coaching apps being collected
 2. Teams being rostered (3). Breakdown not yet determined
 3. Traditional tryout being used for 2012-2013 season
 4. Tournament sign up for (1) A and (1) B will start in July.
 - iii. **U14**
 1. Coaching apps being collected
 2. Teams being rostered (1) A-upper (1) A-lower (1) B
 3. Traditional tryout for 2012-2013 season
 4. Starting to look for tournaments for all teams
 - iv. **Girls program**
 1. The 2012-2013 OMGHA girls program will have (9) teams. This count will put us in the top five largest associations in the state. I expect the states U14B program will once again have less than (15) teams total. I believe a U14B metro league (like last year) will once again work.
 2. EAH will be running in-season skill development for all OMGHA girls' teams twice a month. These months include November, December, January and February. Required dry-land will be placed on all teams schedule 1-2 times per month. Goalie training will be through ProHybrid.
 3. The Girls Traveling Committee is excited for a new All Girls "Cabin Fever" tournament which we will be hosting. This looks to be a 24-32 team tournament with all levels represented. Our hope is that this can become a traditional tournament that OMGHA can continue to host for years to come.
 4. Some changes for the Girls program for the upcoming season include: 1) Parent Head Coaches will be first choice for all teams except U14A. 2) Head Coaches will be announced after tryouts are completed and their daughters have been properly placed on a team. 2) Traditional tryout system for U12 and U14, no additional charge to try out for U12 and U14.

- g. **Volunteer Coordinator:** report not submitted
- h. **Concessions:** submitted verbally at meeting by Ray Shepard.
 - i. Concessions stand will continue to stay at Watts as their main vendor and Sams will be used when appropriate.
- i. **Equipment:** submitted verbally at meeting by Tim Carlson
 - i. Nothing to report
- j. **Marketing**—submitted verbally by Avery Appelman
 - i. Mr. Appelman has laid out a marketing plan to Executive Committee. Intent is to challenge the Association. Looking for specialized volunteers to join the team.
 - ii. Fun2Raise, currently looking to them to help us raise money for OMGHA. At present, OMGHA does not have a great reputation with Osseo businesses—looking to change this, and Fun2Raise will be a part of this.
 - iii. Looking to begin aggressive social media campaign—twitter in live time, YouTube channel dedicated to OMGHA, work on website—make it more user friendly.
 - iv. Looking for specialized volunteers including two graphic artists to work with OMGHA. An email marketing coordinator to help with newsletter and blogging. Event committee volunteers for things like—a pancake breakfast, a spaghetti night, bingo, etc. Looking to work with spring gala, golf tournament and possible awards ceremony to looking to honor teams.

v. Recruitment:

1. Ideas that are being looked at and organized include: bed races, Maple Grove parade, equipment drive and more.
- k. **Grievance committee**— verbally submitted by Dennis Smith
 - i. 3 grievances have been filed
- l. **Tournaments**—submitted by Amy Janicke and Suzy Borsch
 - i. General Status Update:
 1. Traveling VPs and their directors have communicated their tournaments desires to board/tournament chairs. Details found below.
 2. Amy/Suzy to get tourney dates, levels, # of teams, icetime, tourney names finalized by 6/18. OMGHA tourney website ready for registration by 7/12. LPH ad ready for 7/12 publication – July/August issues (or until they are full).
 - ii. OMGHA Tourney 1 – Dec 14-16, 2012 (possibly 13th-16th if 12 A teams). Level – Bantam AA (8 teams)/A (8, maybe 12 teams?)
 1. General Update: Tourney dates, levels, and icetime confirmed with Bantam directors, coaches & ice scheduler (for 16 teams). Fees: \$1050/team (includes gate fees).
 - iii. OMGHA Tourney 2—Dec 27-30, 2012. Level—Squirt A (8-12 teams), B1 or B2 (8 teams)
 1. General Update: MGCC arenas are very available during this time. Fees - \$1050/team – includes gate fees. Many teams have been contacted. They are looking to put something on Hockey Hub, as well
 - iv. OMGHA Tourney 3—Jan 25-27, 2013. Level PWB1—32 teams
 1. General Update: Well established tournament that we can likely count on to fill all 32 teams again. Ready to advertise. Fees - \$1050/team – includes gate fees.
 - v. OMGHA Tourney 4, Feb 8-10, 2013. Level PWB2 (12 teams)/U19 (8 teams) /Jr. Gold??
 1. General Update: Need to decide what we want to do for this weekend. Run similar to last year (1 more year)?. Fees – PWB2 - \$1050/team – includes gate fee / U19 - \$800/team – includes gate fee

5. Old Business

- a. Prohybrid Confidence Crease—OMGHA has choice to receive 5% in cash or the purchase of a consistent confidence crease (\$1,800.00—includes initial instruction and training) as part of contract. This training system gives goalies a chance to practice movements in the dryland room. Looking at placement in the room and keeping it safe. This crease will need to be checked out by teams when using dryland or if not being used by a team—it can be checked out individually. Executive Board recommends to take the board...goal to get more goalies involve and use it as a recruitment tool.
 - i. Motion to approve by Tim Jacobs seconded by Curtis Janicke, motion is approved and passed unanimously

6. New Business

- a. AA/A Structure for Boys Youth—Rob Borsch discussed the structure that MN Hockey has introduced—goal to get more teams to participate in state tournament. Associations can choose to have AA/A or A and B. Proposal is appealing to a large association like ours to have more kids playing at the A level (AA and A). MN Hockey is looking at this as a trail period.
 - i. OMGHA needs to designate to MN Hockey by October our plans. During league play, the A and AA would all be playing together...separation would happen at State Tournament time
 1. Motion to approve AA/ A designation at the Peewee and Bantam levels by Rob Borsch with second by Jay Faber, motion is passed and approved unanimously.
- b. Traveling Coach Selections
 - i. U14 A – John Erickson
 - ii. Bantam –Tom Adhlff, AA, Ross Carlson for A, Ryan Morgan for Upper B Coach
 1. Motion to approve coaches by Greg Bachmeire, seconded by Rob Borsch, all approved and motion carried unanimously.
- c. ACE Coordinator Position for the 2012-2013 season—non paid position, but volunteer hours given. Currently looking for person to fill the role, if you have anyone in mind have them contact Jesse Braasch.
- d. Maple Grove Arena Update
 - i. Catwalk Closure –close for all league games and tournament games—no spectators allowed. Jesse Braasch read proposal. Brought about by referees and coaches feedback.
 1. Motion to approve by Jesse Braasch, second by Avery Appelman, all approved, motion carried unamously

- e. Skill Development—discussed earlier via reports / president announcement
 - i. House
 - ii. Boys
- f. Handbook Change – First Readings by Brad Dahl--
 - i. Change - GUIDELINES FOR PARTICIPATION IN OMGHA - Coaching Certifications (submitted by Brad Dahl)
 - 1. Motion by Brad Dahl, second by Greg Bachmeier, motion carried unanimously
 - ii. Change - RULES AND REGULATIONS – Equipment (submitted by Brad Dahl) read by Jesse Braasch.
 - 1. Motion by Jesse Braasch , second by Rob Borsch, motion passes carried unanimously
 - iii. Change - RULES AND REGULATIONS - League Standings (submitted by Brad Dahl) Read by Brad Dahl.
 - 1. Motion by Brad Dahl , seconded by Luke Johnson, motion passed and Avery Appelman abstains from vote.
 - iv. Change - RULES AND REGULATIONS - Coaches Selection (submitted by Brad Dahl), read by Brad Dahl, motion by Brad Dahl, second by Greg Bachmeir. Brad Dahl ok to table until July meeting.
 - v. Change - TRYOUT PROCEDURES – High School (submitted by Brad Dahl)
 - 1. Motion by Brad Dahl, seconded by Ken Helvy. Motion passed unanimously.
 - vi. Add - Waiver of Volunteer Hours for Voting Board Positions (submitted by Jesse Braasch)—read by Jesse Braasch.
 - 1. Motion by Jesse Braasch, seconded by Denise Hinton No discussion. Motion passes unanimously.
 - vii. Add - TRYOUT PROCEDURES – Tryout Process (submitted by Rob Borsch) Read by Rob Borsch—motion is to close the try-outs at the Squirt, Pee Wee and Bantam levels.
 - 1. Motion by Rob Borsch, seconded by Ken Gerloff, Motion passed unanimously.

- 7. **Meeting Adjourned**—Motion by Avery Appelman, seconded by Curtis Janicke, motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10pm

Respectfully submitted,
 Jesse Braasch, OMGHA Secretary