

Bismarck Hockey Boosters Board Minutes
Monday, July 9, 2012
5:30 PM VFW Arena

Present: Glenn Pladsen, Joel Roloff, Laurie Schaffer, Jason Fetch, Rob Deics, Chris Burns, Bruce Kasper, Adam Hipp, Steve Grom, Todd Flicek, Lane Huber

Not Present: Russ Smith, Scott Eide, TJ Stewart

The meeting was called to order at 5:38 p.m. by president Glenn Pladsen.

Joel made a motion to approve minutes. Kris second. Motion approved.

New business:

Sam Foss is interested in being Bantam Off-Ice – not present @ meeting.

Concussion Policy – Tom made suggested changes and added it to the board policies. Our policy is for coaches to refer players to a recognized health professional to be cleared to play.

Ice time schedule/guidelines:

Practice: currently no later than 10:15 end time. Occasionally a later end time would be acceptable. Use the 6am time more often.

Bantams & Girls 19U – 11:00 end time acceptable occasionally.

Discussed not scheduling bantam/peewee teams on the weekend of the state tournaments so they can attend. Tom – schedule tougher teams weekend prior going into state tournaments.

Tournament size/in-house ice time:

Discussed larger tournaments means less ice time for our in-house teams vs. revenue for larger tournaments. Talked about options for more ice time for the teams. Priority should be ice time for the Bismarck kids – development focus. Suggested hosting tournaments in March & April or even summer for additional revenue. PW & Bantams make more money for the club, so could keep them larger.

Website Update by Lane:

Contracted with Sports Ngin on the new website. Summer info is on there. Old site is still active: bismarckhockeyboosters.com Needs to move the content from old site to new site. Once completed will shut down bismarckhockeyboosters.com. Will keep old site through the summer. New e-mails are up.

Have 10 email addresses. Registration – form we have to fill out regarding how we register. Will be a huge plus with people entering all their own information. September 7 will be the close date. Lane will get things scheduled for training of the program. Lane will keep working on the content. Tom has been adding info as well.

Budget –

Bruce sent out information on expenses last year; estimating expenses for next season. Bruce will have accountant run reports for comparisons from last few years. DO I ATTACH TO MINUTES???

Discussed cash raffle...are we going to have it?

Spring Meltdown.

Registration –

Cash Raffle – scrap cash raffle and add \$75 fee incremental at all levels. Bill makes a motion to eliminate raffle fund raiser and add fees to all levels. Joel seconded. All approved.

Need to have more information in order to make decisions on next year's fees.

Discussed Spring Meltdown – Need dates & location by August 1st.

March 23 @ AmVets – date for Spring Meltdown.

Gun Raffle Update – need to recruit parents of younger kids to take over for Bruce, Troy & Dan. Suggested developing a gun raffle committed that adds a new member each year and continues to roll over so there is consistency with the process. Need to follow audit rules. Make collecting gun raffle tickets the job of the team managers for each team. Make it clear at the beginning of the season the new rules. Everyone needs to try to recruit new members for committee.

Onice –

Coaches committee topics & updates:

Squirts – keeping tiering the same but create a western ND hockey league – Jamestown, Hazen, Dickinson, Minot and Mandan. Waiting to hear from Mandan.

Have a jamboree at beginning of the year – to help determine where to play tier 1 or tier 2. Will keep the travel to a minimum – No overnights.

Tier 1s will play together all year. After the squirt tourney they will pick 1A and 2B teams for GF Classic & Fargo International, yet remain on their usual teams throughout league play.

Consider having Girls 10U be part of the league. – tier girls right away.

Summer Ice – still a few open spots, working to fill holes. Picked up some additional registrations. Games are good; format is working this year. Maybe do a 3-on-3 games.

Safe Sport Policy – needs to be a person from our club who will be the trainer/respresentative to off-ice liaison for this program. – tabled.

Letter to girls – received about 7-8 responses. Tom will be meeting with high school coach and will report back after the meeting.

Miscellaneous –

Bobcat signage – tabled

STOP sign on jerseys – tabled

Review program director – tabled

High School Tryout Policy – will e-mail to bantams

Concessions – contract with Bobcats.

Joel Roloff made a motion to adjourn. Second by Jason Fetch. All approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.