

**CHIPPEWA YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION**  
**BOARD MEETING MINUTES – January 16, 2013, 7:00 PM**

Called to order by: \_\_\_Bob Normand\_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_7:00\_  
Present: President (2013) Bob Normand \_X\_ Vice Pres. Steve Gibbs (2012) \_X\_  
Treasurer (2013) Sara Bowe \_\_\_ Secretary (2012) Michael Pynch \_X\_

Board (2012) Randy Reeg \_X\_ Jane Duren \_\_\_ Scott Francis \_\_\_  
Members: Brian Anderson \_X\_  
(2013) Rod Olson \_X\_ Rod Elkin \_X\_ Pat Bowe \_X\_  
Kirt Pickerign \_\_\_ Craig Frenette \_X\_

**Other Attendees:**

Tony Pilgrim – Sani Sport, Scott Sikkink, Karen Brovan

**1. General Meeting**

Dr. Tony Pilgrim (Fall Creek Dental Office) came to the Board Meeting to discuss Sani Sport. His son played in our Association and for McDonnell. His grandson is a current Mighty Mite. He came to discuss MRSA and the risk of that type of infection. His son contracted it and nearly lost his arms above his elbow. A company in Canada started building Sani Sport machines and this converts oxygen to ozone and back again. This kills all microorganisms. Many of the NHL/NFL and other teams have these machines. He requested permission to speak to parents about the process and to bring his machine to the rink to offer to our members. He offered to do locker rooms for free a couple times/year and also to purchase signage at the rink.

**2. Secretary's Report**

There were no significant edits to December's minutes. Pat requested a sentence be added describing the issue with the Freon leak.

Motion made by Randy to approve the amended board meeting minutes for December.  
Seconded by Craig  
Motion Approved

**3. Treasurer's Report**

A member of our association was speaking with The Northwestern Bank President about our loan rate and although our rate actually had been lowered to 6% in the past year NWB agreed to reduce our loan rate to 5.75%. Unfortunately, we ended up paying ~\$1300 in refinancing fees.

Motion made by Steve to approve the financial reports for December.  
Seconded by Randy  
Motion Approved

**4. Correspondence/Officer Reports**

**5. Old Business**

We have not had as much help from the High View workers recently due to the staff not being licensed to be able to provide workers transportation to and from our rink. We have also had workers say that

they would come but have not. Supposedly, we should be getting more assistance in the coming months. On a positive note the rink has been looking very good, new members are becoming familiar with our cleaning processes, and everyone appears to be taking more ownership and pride in our rink.

## 6. New Business

Craig suggested that the price of cameras have come down considerably and he is going to put together a quote for 8 wireless cameras, a DVR, and some security stickers.

Motion made by Randy to allow Tony Pilgrim to bring his Sani-Sport machine to the rink for the Girls U12/14 and Squirt A tournaments and provide 15% of the revenues collected to CYHA.

Seconded by Craig

Motion Approved

Motion made by Craig to donate \$100 to the Humane Association in honor of Marcella Hopkins who was a strong supporter of CYHA and had grandkids that skated in our association.

Seconded by Steve

Motion Approved

## 7. Committee Reports

No Committee Reports

### On-Ice (Rod E.)

- **Tournament Update**  
The tournaments are going well. We have almost filled all of our tournaments including the Bantam B/C tournament.
- **Tournament Director Position for 2013-14**  
We discussed creating a tournament committee vs. having one person handle everything. Given the amount that we make from our tournaments it is apparent we need to organize things differently to minimize issues. We are going to send out an e-mail to the association looking for a group to run this next year. The tournament dates for next year are set.
- **PDC Update**  
We had an incident in Wausau where there was a parent dispute over playing time. A request was made to try and keep playing time more evenly distributed. There have been discussions with parents involved and the PDC and this has been addressed.

We also had multiple incidents reported this year with a team. This has also been addressed and the coach will no longer be a part of CYHA.

- **Division 1 Competitiveness**  
We are doing reasonably well this year and depending on how our teams do at the state tournament we will likely stay at this level. We are also starting to see more Division 1 and out of state teams coming to our tournaments. It was suggested that we may want to look at starting a Division 1 league with some of the other Division 1 teams in the North.
- **Final date for Ice on North Rink**  
Jason Krista has an idea for running clinics on Wednesdays and Sundays. In the past, we have removed ice on the North Rink by Memorial day. To extend beyond that we would need to book 25 hours/week to justify the cost in addition to finding zamboni drivers etc.

Craig may rent some ice time in the April/May timeframe as he is looking to start a AAA team out of Chippewa for 2002-3 birth years. It may be called the Wisconsin Pride.

- Rob Stauber Goalie Clinic May 24-26

We have run a Rob Stauber Goalie Clinic out of Chippewa for a few years.

Motion made by Randy to donate up to six hours to run the goalie clinic in Chippewa Falls May 24-26.

Seconded by Steve

Motion Approved

There was discussion about the association helping to improve our goalie performance through goalie clinics. Rod Elkin is going to speak with other goalie parents and may bring a proposal back to the board in terms of how we may financially support the development of goalies.

- Referee Scheduling

We had another issue with not having a referee scheduled for a Bantam B game. It came up due to a game being added later. Rod Olson is continuing to work on refining our scheduling processes.

#### Facilities (Pat)

- Used Zamboni from Green Bay

A zamboni in Green Bay which was donated to us by that Association is being picked up next Tuesday and going to Jason Dresel's garage to be evaluated. Supposedly, it had been run recently and worked. We are hoping to use it as a backup for the rest of this season.

- New Zamboni

Did you know! If Frank Zamboni were alive today he would be celebrating his 111<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Motion made by Randy to place an order for a new Zamboni with all the appropriate features and to put down \$25,000 contingent on confirmation of final payment on delivery.

Seconded by Rod O.

Motion Approved

The total for the new Zamboni is ~\$103,000. We have saved \$60,000 and we are looking to fundraise for the balance. We are talking to potential sponsors that would benefit greatly from this exposure.

- Ice Quality

We have found that the concrete on the South Rink is not level and due to that we have been breaking through the ice. We want to add a budget line item to the capital budget for 2013-2014 and bring someone in with a laser leveler to try and get this addressed. We are getting help from Wade and Leigh with ice maintenance in the meantime and Rod Bresina has been coming up and helping too.

- Storage Trailer for Ice Bowl Equipment

We are still waiting to hear back from the individual that owns the trailer.

- Outdoor Rink

It is open!

- **Zamboni Room Hot Water Heater**  
John Benish met with Bohl & Proulx and Kelly and we have quotes for a new water heater. The current one is leaking now. We would like to get a new hot water heater installed before the current one fails. We would move the water heater to the closet in the mezzanine and we have verified that this will pass inspection.
- **Refrigeration Room Certification**  
This is informational. Bob met with the inspector and we have a few things that we have to get completed in 60 days to maintain a refrigeration room. There are about \$500 in alarms etc. that we need to purchase and install. Overall, we will be able to comply with everything in the next 60 days.

#### Finance/Administration (Randy)

- **Moms/Managers Meeting (Tournament Expectations)**  
An in-person meeting is not going to happen. We still need to connect with the appropriate team parents. Randy is going to outline the high points for the fundraising expectations for our tournaments.
- **Eagle Scout Project**  
Bob was going to see if it had been approved. Someone thought that the scope was too large and they may have misunderstood the requirements.
- **Great Lakes Hockey League**  
Scott Sikkink is trying to find dates for an exhibition game or two in Chippewa Falls. We are looking at Saturday, February 16 and Friday, March 15. He says that he already has enough high quality committed players. We understand a Brookfield team did leave the league this year so there is likely an open slot. There are some costs associated with starting a team. There is a one-time \$5000 fee to get into the league. You pay another \$1000 into a no-show fund. There is also a cost of \$850/year for league fees etc. One concern that Scott Sikkink mentioned was the cost of travel. If we have a team skating out of Chippewa Falls we would need to look into how we would help defray the travel costs for our players. Before we start skating a team out of Chippewa more research would need to be done to better understand all the costs and what would be necessary to make it a success.

Motion made by Randy to pre-approve up to \$750 for jerseys, donate the ice time for two exhibition games, and to apply for the licenses to sell beer at those games.

Seconded by Steve

Motion Approved

Bob will apply for the beer license and will speak with General Beer Northwest to see if they would be able to assist us with acquiring the beer.

- **Capital Planning**  
Michael will send a list of possible capital budget projects for 2013-14 to the Board. We would like to have all suggestions for capital projects sent back to the finance committee by the end of January so we can be prepared to discuss and prioritize these in February.
- **Refund Policy**  
Steve is going to develop a draft of a refund policy for approval at our next board meeting.

#### Special Events (Rod O.)

- **Country/RockFest Planning Update**

The contract has been signed. We had a Core Group meeting last night and have a Team Parents and overall association meeting tomorrow. We are still looking at subcontractors for this year and will have a meeting next week to share information. We also noted we may be bringing a proposal for assessment hours for next year to February's board meeting..

**2. ADJOURNMENT**

Next Meeting February 20, 2013 at 7:00 PM