

**Hastings Hockey Boosters
Monthly Meeting Minutes
February 12, 2013**

Roll Call:

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.

Board Members Present: Brian Jones, Brian Dooley, Lisa Foster, Joe Harris, Brooks Savage, Jeff Plank, Mike Lavin, Paul Huettl, Rick Erredge, and Char Stark

Board Members Absent: Ryan Stoffel, Marc Chorney, and Dustin Vogelgesang

Approval of Agenda: No additions or changes to the agenda. Lisa Foster made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Rick Erredge. Motion passed.

Approval of Minutes: Rick Erredge made a motion to approve the January Minutes, seconded by Brooks Savage. Motion passed.

Coordinator Reports:

Referees: Jesse Viall not in attendance.

Registrar: Kari Gruden not in attendance.

Technology: Jay Stark – nothing to report.

Tournament Director: Jim Foster not in attendance, but emailed in report. River Rumble Peeewe C and Bantam C invitational tournament was held this past weekend in Hastings. Tournament went very well with all volunteer positions being filled. Many mite parents did the scorebook and time clock for the first time. We received many positive comments from coaches of visiting teams.

District 8 Representative: Brian Dooley attended the District 8 meeting on January 23, 2013. Associations need to get their 2013-2014 Invitational Tournament Sanction Request forms submitted by May 31, 2013. Association Registrars should be running reports of which of their coaches need to be redlined for no certification. These reports and names should be forwarded to Rich Rakness. District 8 thanked several associations for hosting coaching clinics, including Hastings. There were 204 coaches certified this year in 4 clinics.

Secretary: Dawn West not in attendance.

Officer Reports:

President: Brian Jones provided the following:

- February newsletter was distributed to the membership. Please submit any items for the March newsletter.
- Hastings Hockey Night and Hockey Day went extremely well in all regards. Thanks to the volunteer committee members and parents who worked the events. Board wants to do event again at the Premier Bank Building and tentatively selected January 24-25, 2014.
- Board has approved the HHB Golf Tournament for Saturday, July 27, 2013 at the Hastings Country Club. Susie Flynn is chairing the committee planning the event.

- Reminder that the March 2013 HHB Board of Directors Meeting has been moved from March 12 to March 19 due to Spring Break.
- Will be producing a list of “To Do” items for the 2013-2014 HHB Board of Directors at the next meeting.
- The HHB Board of Directors will submit a request to host the Girls U12A/B District Playoffs at the Hastings Civic Arena in 2014.

Vice President: Brian Dooley did not have anything to report.

Treasurer: Char Stark emailed financial reports to the Board. Team fees were due on February 1st and lots of fees are outstanding. Char will email out the spreadsheet of team fees again to the team managers. Coaches and team managers need to inform Char if they are playing in district playoffs, the amount of the tournament check needed, and to whom it should be made out. Checks will not be provided until team fees are paid. Mike Lavin made a motion to approve the monthly financial reports, seconded by Lisa Foster. Motion passed.

Director Reports:

Blue Mites: Ryan Stoffel – not in attendance, but emailed in his report. Everything is going well at this level.

Gold and White Mites: Brooks Savage – working on the In-House Mite/Squirt Tournament that is coming up February 28 to March 3. Hope to distribute a tournament schedule this week.

Squirts: Joe Harris – also working on the In-House Mite/Squirt Tournament. Sliv McGree will be dropping the puck for the Squirt Tournament.

Peewees: Rick Erredge – the season has gone very well and the district playoff tournaments are coming up soon. Rick asked that we discuss training instructor options for the 2013-2014 season at the March 2013 board meeting.

Bantams: Marc Chorney – not in attendance, but emailed in his report. River Rumble tournament this past weekend went very well. No issues or problems.

Junior Gold: Jeff Plank – received an email complaint about student conduct at a recent Jr. Gold game in Woodbury. Information was passed along to the Jr. Gold coach.

Girls: Mike Lavin – district tournaments coming up soon.

Coach-in-Chief/Hockey Operations: Dustin Vogelgesang – not in attendance and no report. Board members had another discussion about Dustin’s absences from board meetings this year and the lack of any communications related to coaches or hockey operations during the months. Board considers this position to be extremely critical and wants more effort to be put forth. Members requested that this be collectively discussed with him at the next board meeting.

Operations: Paul Huettl – began working with Ryan LaFerriere who will be the new Director of Operations starting in April 2013.

Volunteers: Lisa Foster – thankfully, a number of parents stepped up to volunteer for the River Rumble Tournament this past weekend, including some who had already fulfilled their DIBS requirements for the season. There are 19 traveling parents and 24 mite parents who have not signed up for anything this season, on top of 19 parents who selected the buyout option at registration. Lisa will continue to adjust the DIBS volunteer requirements each season, based on the anticipated number of players and the number of planned fundraising events and tournaments.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Registrar Appointment: Brian Jones announced that he is appointing Shannon Callahan as the new Registrar. Shannon will take over for Kari Gruden on April 1, 2013. Brian thanked Kari Gruden for all of her time and effort spent being the Registrar over the last two years.

Sibling Ice Time: Rick Erredge expressed concern with siblings who are not registered with HHB skating during practices while their parent coaches another sibling. The Board was not aware this was happening and asked Rick to resolve the problem immediately if it happens again.

Board of Directors Election Update: HHB Board of Directors Election is being held tonight and election results will be posted to the website as soon as possible.

Strategic Planning Continued: Brian Jones distributed a one-page summary of the SWOT analysis conducted at the last board meeting. The board members decided that this should be an on-going exercise that continues at future board meetings, and would very much like to see a Hockey Operations group and/or coaching conversations begin as soon as possible.

Retirement Gift: Sliv McGree has announced his retirement as the Hastings Civic Arena Manager. He is being recognized at the last Boys Varsity Game on Thursday, February 14. Paul Huettl made a motion to approve a \$100 expenditure towards his retirement gifts and plaque, seconded by Lisa Foster. Motion passed.

Board Comment: None

Membership Comment: None

Adjournment: Mike Lavin made a motion to adjourn at 9:45 PM, seconded by Lisa Foster. Motion passed.

Next Meeting: March 19, 2013 at 7:00 PM

Respectfully submitted by Brian Jones.