

PDC Meeting Minutes July 24th 2013

Location and Time: Queen Bee's @ 7:00

Members Present: Aaron Stellmach, Mike Tangen, Bill Kuhlman, Dave Johnson, Tom Haines, Steve Lemke, Mark Jenson, Chris Stanley. Also Present: Tom Ruhland (River Lakes President) Kevin Mooney and Marsha Meed (Ice Schedulers) Brent Waldemarsen (Goalie Coordinator)

Ice Scheduling:

Ice will be in Paynesville September 3rd and Richmond September 30th.

Fall Clinics will start on September 30th with approximately 6 ice sessions per level leading up to tryouts.

Tryouts will be October 12th, 13th, 19th, and 20th for Bantams and Pee Wees, Tryouts for Squirts will be ONLY October 12th and 13th. Girl's tryouts will be determined at a later date based on registration numbers and necessity for tryouts.

Skills Night: Ice will be in divided into 3 sessions. The 1st 4 weeks of Skills will be 5:30, 6:45, and 8:00 until High School practice begins. After High school practice starts it will be 6:15, 7:15, and 8:30.

Goalie Clinic: October 5th 9:30-11:00 @ Richmond and October 6th 3:15-4:45 @ Paynesville.

Regular Season: 1st 4 weeks of season prior to High School starting practices will be scheduled as they have in past years. After High School starts the Ice schedulers will be putting 2 teams on 1-½ hour blocks with 30 mines of shared ice either at the beginning of the practice or the end.

Goalie Coordinator:

Brent Waldemarsen attended the meeting to discuss the Goalie program for the upcoming season. Brent has agreed to put on a goalie clinic October 5th and 6th. These will be 1½ hour sessions that will be attended by PDC members to help facilitate and learn some goalies drills for future practice plans. Brent will also attend skills night to coordinate the goalies at least once a week. Aaron will finalize Brent's schedule, as there will be some conflicts that Brent will not be able to be at both rinks on Monday nights for skills sessions. Brent will also be available for some consultations and on ice help if a coach would like some one on one work with a goalie during the season. Brent's title is **goalie coordinator** and will be a liaison to the PDC for goalie related issues.

Preliminary Team Declarations:

There was a very in depth conversation regarding **Preliminary** team declarations. Registration data from last season was used, as the upcoming season is not complete and accurate. Numbers used were the following: Bantams 32, Pee Wees 54, and Squirts 26. The PDC understands that these numbers may be more or less when final registrations are complete.

Preliminary Declarations:

Squirt A and B (a C squad may be added if registration numbers allow)

Pee Wee AA, A, B, and C There was significant conversation regarding the Pee Wee declaration. The PDC discussed the issue and decided that the goal of having 4 flighted teams is the direction River Lakes hockey should be going. Because the PDC will not know what decisions District 5 will be making about the official league declarations we stress it is ONLY preliminary. The final decision will be made when the following factors are more stable (registration numbers, District 5 league declarations)

Bantam AA and B

Away Tournament Selections:

Tournaments were selected considering many factors including, time of year, skill level of teams (opponents and our own team), location (1 overnight and a close tournament that is in a shorter distance), district playoff time of season, (squirt families will be available to work home ice playoffs) and many other considerations. **Mitch Sweep the RLS girl's coordinator is selecting girl's tournaments**. The tournaments in **BOLD** are to be paid by the association. The teams will pay for the other tournaments after they are selected.

Bantam AA

Duluth Dec 6-8

Little Falls Jan 31- Feb 2

Bantam B

Detroit Lakes Dec 6-8

Little Falls Jan 31 - Feb 2

Pee Wee AA

BIG Pumpkin Bloomington October 25-27

Rogers Dec 13-14

Pee Wee A

Albert Lea Dec 13-15

Willmar Jan 31-Feb 2

Pee Wee B

Fergus Falls Dec 7-8

Buffalo Jan 17-19

Pee Wee C

Red Wing Dec 6-8

Breezy Point Feb 7-9

Squirt A and B (Playing in the same locations and dates)

Little Falls Dec 6-8

Albert Lea Feb 7-9

Squirt C (if needed)

Breezy Point Dec 20-22

Hutchinson Jan 10-12

Coaching assignments:

Topic was tabled for next meeting

Fall Clinic:

PDC members were assigned Fall Clinic levels and are responsible for 6 practice plans.

Squirts: Mike Tangen

Pee Wee: Aaron Stellmach, Dave Johnson, and Chris Stanley

Bantams: Mark Jenson and Tom Haines

10U, 12U, 14U: Bill Kuhlman, Steve Lemke, and Chris Stanley