

WHA Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 1 July 2013

Attendance: John Dondelinger, Eric Jones, Todd George, Amy Schneider, Charlie Vacek, Andrea Gohman, Derek Siddons, Brooks Rankin, Chaz Larson, Gerard Hanson

Absent: Bob Roeser, Steve Bertossi, Zach Stamson

Other meeting attendees: Members of the Waconia Lions (partial), Randy Peitz (Equip Coordinator Volunteer), Tom Masog

Call to order: Dondelinger

A short recognition ceremony was held with the Waconia Lions and the WHA to mark and celebrate the last payment on the Zamboni ! Dondelinger and other board members also took the opportunity to thank the Lion's Club for their generous donation to and support of Waconia Hockey.

President's Report

Dondelinger updated the group on efforts to secure outdoor ice for the coming season. Still exploring availability and pricing with nearby communities and scoping the effort and cost involved with setting up the local outdoor rink near the WIA. Nothing firm in place to date.

John Bruellman will fill the key volunteer position of Tournament Coordinator for the coming season.

Equipment Coordinator Report

Jerseys for the coming season will be priced at \$75/ea (\$150 for light and dark pair). While costs from the supplier are up slightly, prices to members will remain the same as last year. Embroidery with last name will be \$8/jersey. Socks will be \$10/pair.

Dan O'Brien will assist Randy Peitz this year in the volunteer Equipment Coordinator Volunteer role with the intent of filling the position next season.

Order deadline for jerseys will be July 31 w/ fittings in July. Email with information to be sent to all members.

Discussion held on options for buying and/or getting further sponsorship to help pay for jerseys at the IP level. Discussion also held on possibility to facilitate an IP equipment exchange. Andrea G. and Chaz Larson agreed to look into this further.

Secretary's Report

Motion to approve meeting minutes of 3 June: Hanson 2nd: Jones Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Financial report:	July 1, 2013:
	Checking Account: \$23,588.61
	Capital Savings: \$33,083.71
	Accounts Payable: \$0.00
	Accounts Receivable: \$5,228.77

IP Update

Open discussion was held on several points relative to our IP program. Points made included forging a stronger relationship with the IP program and the WHS hockey program, and the need to create awareness around the Fall Rookie Camp. Actions to create awareness will include marketing the camp at the Carver County Fair and at local schools in the fall. Additionally, an FAQ for new hockey families will be added to the WHA website to help orient interested new families into the program. Discussion was also held on potential hosting a "Try Hockey for Free" day in Waconia in November.

Motion by Dondelinger to set Rookie Camp Fee at \$50, consistent with historical pricing. 2nd: Vacek
Motion carried (email vote 7/30/2013).

D6 Update

Dondelinger reported that constructive communications are taking place between the WHA and D6 with respect to the determination of whether the WHA fields an A team or not at the Squirt level for the coming season. Integral to this discussion is the topic of what improvements the WHA can make to our IP program to help better prepare our skaters to compete at the Squirt level. Key items noted were improved coaching/training programs, standardized drills and drill banks, and expanded ice time. There will be further discussions with D6 prior to a final determination.

Marketing/Fund Raising Report

Agreed on need to establish a chairperson to coordinate and execute calendar sales in the coming season. An email to the membership will be sent to solicit a volunteer.

Three of five Ice Out Committee chairs have already been identified and two remain.

The WHA will have a booth again at this year at the Carver County Fair. Dan Schroeder will be contacted and asked to coordinate. Volunteer hours are available for manning the booth and will be communicated to the membership via email.

ACE Report

The HDC brought forward several recommendations for head coach positions for the 2013-2014 season. After discussion on each the following motions were made and approved:

Bantam A: Jake Hindermann Motion to approve: Siddons 2nd: Rankin Motion carried.

Bantam B2: Dave Montgomery Motion to approve: Siddons 2nd: Jones Motion carried.

PeeWee A: Jeff Balow Motion to approve: Siddons 2nd: Rankin Motion carried.

(note: the three head coaches named above are non-parent coaches)

PeeWee B2 and PeeWee C: Dan Schroeder and Tim Blinkhorn

Motion to approve: Siddons 2nd: Gohman Motion carried.

(specific team assignments to be determined later).

U12: Tom Battis Motion to approve: Siddons 2nd: Vacek Motion carried.

Head coach recommendations and board approval for remaining teams will take place at a future WHA board meeting.

Motion to adjourn: Rankin 2nd: Larson. Motion carried.