**Park Rapids Amateur Hockey Association**

**Board Meeting Minutes**

**May 13th, 2013**

**Minutes by: Tricia Crandall, Secretary**

1. **Call to Order:**  By: Frank Time: 5:32pm

Members present at meeting **bolded**:

* **Krista Hesby, Past President**
* **Frank Stuemke, President**
* **Lance Crandall, Vice President**
* **Norita Smith, Treasurer**
* **Tricia Crandall, Secretary**
* **John Hoscheid**
* **Clayton Hoyt**
* **Jed Nordine**
* **Neil Powers**
* **Patty Larson**
* **Doug Hafner**

1. **Agenda Approval**: Norita/Neil/passed
   1. **Frank added 2 items**
      1. Old Business: Ice time rental
      2. New business: Email from Gretchen Gribbens - discuss
2. **Approval of Secretary’s Minutes:** Krista/Lance/passed
   1. **Question –** sponsorship question – clarify correct $ amount and then motioned by Krista.
3. **Treasurer’s reports:** Krista/Patty/passed
   1. Norita gave treasures report. Diane emailed corrected report.
   2. Recruitment – says $5,000 – Norita will discuss with Diane–looks like $5,000 should be referees.
   3. Concessions: Commercial microwave – expense under concessions. Range is $300-$500.
      1. Suppliers – discuss options and if they can provide equipment and also begin looking at other vendor options.
      2. Options for supplies for next season. Look at concession needs for next year. Tricia and Doug will work on that for next meeting. Next month discussion.
      3. Figure Skaters - Discuss with their board and invite them to attend our meeting for discussion and payment plans. Frank will contact Diane and invite them to next board meeting.
4. **Gaming report**: Norita/Neil/passed
   1. Shai gave Monthly Gambling Report to members.
   2. Etabs at Zorbaz – H & H gets 6% of gross sales. Must make deposit every 2 days as that is mandatory. Zorbaz is the only place with Etabs as of now. If no sales don’t need to deposit and can electronically see that so saves on running.
   3. Audit going well and she is meeting with accountant. Report due by May 20th.
5. **Old Business**:
   1. Mission Statement - Board members asked to come back with 5 things we can/should accomplish this year for your areas.
      1. Make list and pair down to 5 total.
      2. Made full list and Tricia will put together and break down under each directorship area. Discuss monthly and add to the agenda for 1st Monday.
   2. **District 15 Meeting on May 5th at 6 p.m.(Wadena Arena) –Frank/Norita** 
      1. Discussed rules upcoming. Mites can play after January up to max 10 games.
      2. Discussed new squirts districts or regional tournament for non-MN hockey teams. More for metro teams as more for “club teams”.
      3. March 13-15th – weekend state youth tournament. More to come from district.
      4. Watching bracketing and level of play in 1 town. AA and B.
      5. Safe sport rule – locker room monitoring a must.
      6. Goalie camp in Alexandria in July – more opportunities for goalies in Northern MN.
      7. Officials – dates set for certifications ready. Posted on district 15.
      8. Rule changes – boarding and check from behind calls. Looking at a 5 minute for boarding and check from behind 5 and 10.
      9. 2014 bidding process went through – Park Rapids got Peewee B districts. Wadena has Bantam B districts and 12U B is long prairie.
      10. October 6th 2013 – next District 15 meeting in Wadena
6. **New Business:**
   1. Policy handbook - update how Varsity moneys will be used for Varsity Program.
      1. Neil passed out policy – draft form.
      2. Tabled to next meeting under old business.
   2. Contract negotiation/representation
      1. Lance and Steve Hall represented association.
      2. Lance requested # of hours of ice time for Varsity programs as they discussed varsity renting ice; so they need # of hours. Ed should have those hours. It was brought up at the negotiation meeting as just an idea of Blue Line club mentality vs. hockey association.
      3. Discussed how to recoup loss association has due to co-op and coaching expenses.
      4. Discussed if there will be the anonymous donation to PRAHA. Helps plan budget. John Schumacher will let us know at next negotiation meeting.
      5. Next negotiation meeting not scheduled as of yet.
   3. Level of play – Board requesting HDC to hold a special meeting to decide level of play recommendation, coaches for the next season and also the Walker Bantam team numbers. We need to know level of play and tournament dates by June 1st to advertise in Let’s Play Hockey. October 6th is absolute deadline but to promote tournaments is June 1st.
      1. Patti called every parent of Bantams and discussed level of play – 3 either way and rest B. Kids and parents had discontent with A level games.
      2. Retention – if we want retention and sustainability we need to look at if we go A or B. There are 3 or even 4 players that would not come back to play if we went A.
      3. Doug went over last HDC meeting – Varsity summer dry land and welcoming bantams and PW in June and July. Discussed A and B level and coaches interested for each level. Have a committee to choose coaches. Terry Lane replaced Steve Olson on HDC committee. Level of play not finalized yet.

* ADDED: Email from Gretchen Gribbens from Walker– discuss. 7 kids to PR and 1 to Pequot Lakes. Team can roster 22 players but only 20 can be dressed for any one game. Once you hit playoffs you can only have same 20 through all districts, regions, state.
  + - Short players and suggested they get together with our HDC.
    - Can we have 2 teams? Question comes up as to where would A team play and B team play etc.
    - Real question – 7 kids in Walker. It was passed previously that if they are short players in Walker they could play in PR and if we are short players in PR we could play in Walker.

1. Next Meeting date is tentatively set for **Thursday May 30th.** at 6:00pm in Board Room, second floor.

\*Meetings are scheduled for every 2nd and 4th Monday of the month unless otherwise noted.

1. **Adjournment**: M/S/P Doug/Krista/passed TIME: 7:58pm