

# NBAHA

## Board Meeting Minutes

### January 9, 2014

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**Meeting called to order at: 6:55 p.m.**

**Board Members Present:** Janelle Olson, Don Schmitt, Barb Boelk, Tom Garin, Julie Belisle, Cherie Turek

**Members Present:** Ryan Coleman, Bruce Anderson

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#### **Co-Op Discussion:**

Tom has been talking with Cambridge Isanti and would like to schedule a meeting with three (3) members from each association. Angie Iverson is interested in participating as a member on this committee. Tom and Don will also attending this meeting.

There has been some interest from members to look at the potential of a co-op with Pine City. Tom will talk with Pine City to see if this is an option for next season.

We will need to address level of play as we look toward a possible co-op.

#### **Open Board Positions:**

Treasurer – Not sure if they will be staying on in this position next season.

Publicity – Not sure if they will be staying on in this position next season.

Secretary – Open

Coaching Director – Don will be staying on as the Coaching Director.

Mite Director – Not in attendance at this meeting.

Fundraising – Janelle is looking to stay on the board, but is looking to take a different position. The

Fundraising position will be open for next season.

President – Not in attendance at this meeting.

Vice President – Conditional

Ice Director – Open

Registrar - Open

Tom would like current board members to try and find a replacement for their own position if the current board member is leaving the position for next season.

#### **Nominating Committee:**

Barb Boelk will lead the nominating committee. Julie will work with Barb on finding members that are interested in filling these open board positions for next season.

**Bruce Anderson** – The association has a \$7000 ice bill from the St. Francis association for the few girls we have playing at St. Francis. All five (5) girls have paid registration fees of \$1000 for U10 and \$1100 for U12. The U10 girls were to get 55 hours of ice and the U12 girls were to receive 60 hours of ice. Bruce will ask for an official document on the agreed upon ice hours for the girls as the current schedule up through Districts is around 56 hours of ice.

**Mite Trophies** - Janelle will be ordering the annual patches for all players as this was included in the budget. The association did budget for \$325 to order trophies for each player. Janelle will look into ordering these items.

**NB Area Athletic Association Meetings:** Barb attended this meeting and was interested in the release document out of the sports center. This document was a single page that included the waiver and medical information. Barb is going to look into updating this registration document to a single page.

There was some mention regarding the Community Connections Expo on March 15<sup>th</sup>. Dennis Hensch will be setting up a table. Do we want to look at having a booth for Hockey recruitment? We could look at having some HS hockey players attend as they are required 2 hours of volunteer time this year. Barb will look into how much it costs to participate. You have to reserve your spot through the chamber. What is the protocol for looking at helmets? There are several kids at the mite level wearing expired helmets. We should communicate the rules for knowing when a helmet needs to be replaced.

**Recruitment in Central Park** – Barb has been talking with other teams and there is an agreement to have an event in the park that would be just a sports day. This would be right before the end of school (spring). Barb is going to look at renting the Central Park.

**Try Hockey Free for a Day** – The associations of St. Francis, Mora, Cambridge, and North Branch are looking at splitting the costs of sharing this recruitment event.

**B-Mites** – One of our members would like to see these upper level mites get more ice both outdoor and indoor as this team is struggling during games. They are going to look at adding an extra hour of outdoor ice for this team.

**Goalies** – GDI is only working with Squirt level players and younger. Trevor is looking at doing some sessions at FIT. Jake will look at sessions through GoalCrease and then get reimbursed for a set amount for this development training.

**Scott Hannah Benefit** - Scott Hannah was diagnosed with Esophageal Cancer in August and it has greatly affected his family both emotionally and financially. The Hannah family is one of the most caring and kind-hearted families known to the many people around them. They are certainly deserving of our support as they would do the same for us (and have).

Scott is a Business Analyst for Slumberland Furniture at their corporate office and is the President of the North Branch Hockey Association. More importantly he is a supporting husband to his wife Julie, who also works for Slumberland, and a father to his fun-loving children Brandon (11), Meghan (6), and Ryan (3).

On February 9, 2014, a benefit will be held for the family of Scott Hannah from 12 Noon until 6 pm. This benefit will be held at Stars & Strikes Entertainment Center in Wyoming, MN and will help support the Hannah family through this difficult time. The money raised will go to the family's medical bills and daily expenses.

There will be food, drinks, a silent auction, Karoke, DJ, a Bean Bag tournament, and most importantly, heartfelt camaraderie through everyone's support.

Please make every effort to attend and support Scott!

**Motion to adjourn at 7:50pm.** Motion made by Tom Garin, seconded by Barb Boelk. Motion Carried.