**Park Rapids Amateur Hockey Association**

**Board Meeting MINUTES**

**Dec 9th, 2013 – starting at 5:30 pm**

1. **Call to Order:**  By: Frank Time: 5:35 pm

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 Nordin
* **Neil Powers**
* **Patty Larson**
* **Kevin Lund**

1. **Agenda Approval**: Neil/John/Passed

Add

* 1. Pee Wee’s – parents attending meeting to visit on PW A.
  2. Fundraising – Clayton
  3. Tournament updates – Jed/Frank
  4. Learn to Skate update - Patty
  5. Facilities - Neil
  6. Steve Hall presenting

1. **Approval of Secretary’s Minutes:** Krista/Neil/passed
2. **Treasurer’s reports:** Tricia/john/passed
   1. 12 month CD – light replacement. Requested 6 month CD to access the money in the spring for the lighting.
   2. Action item – Diane/Norita requesting district numbers as she’ll need to pay fees. Patty said one as of now.
3. **Gaming report: Krista/Neil/passed** 
   1. Shai reported – one typo of $10 so will correct.
   2. 2 MN Revenue gaming tax. One was normal monthly withdrawal from gaming tax and the other was catching up with returns.
   3. E-Tabs not doing well. Several other businesses pulling them out but Zorbaz wants to keep. There is a deficit that shows so it takes that much more to earn before making money the next month. We are not losing money, but not making money either.
   4. With $4,000 contribution it puts gaming at $40,000 for the year.
   5. A parent asked for extra hours to go toward scholarship; is there anything else board needs? Frank stated to ask Ed as he may have something, Concessions would have hours and Shai can also have her work with her. Plenty of opportunities. Shai will visit with her and the opportunities out there. Thank you to Shai – great job.
4. **Old Business**:
   1. Pee Wee’s
      1. Parents and 1 coach came to speak to the board. There is a controversy within the team and parents right now. A lot of differences an feel a lack of board support and vice versa. Need respect among all of the PR coaches – that’s not happening.
      2. Have played 5 games and losing by 10 or more goals.
      3. Parent requested that if can’t go B – would it be possible to bring in some games that they can compete in to be in the ballpark? Ed, John and Krista as manager are trying to work these into the schedule and sounds like there is something on books.
      4. Board Discussion - What can the board do to help this situation?
         * Look at the schedule and get some B games in the schedule. Switching to B would be very difficult but John H. will talk to Dennis Bushy to see if we can get some B games on the schedule.
         * HDC/John and another member will meet with all head coaches to discuss positive attitudes and parent and board support.
         * Steve Hall discussed that the goal is to teach kids how to be good team members and leaders. Make decision to build the program, look at our long term goal and growing the numbers. This is what the board did back in July when made the decision and unfortunately things changed.
   2. Fundraising – Clayton
      1. Waiting to hear from other businesses, getting donated deer-stand, rifle, bow, hunting package and ATV. Draw at last home game or spaghetti dinner.
      2. Requesting between up to 15,000 budget.
         * Norita made a motion to approve up to 15,000 budget for raffle/ seconded by Kevin/passed
      3. Discussed putting mandatory ticket sales for next year; part of fundraising requirements.
   3. Tournament updates
      1. Hotels – Frank contacted local hotels regarding tournaments.
      2. PeeWee and Bantam tournaments – not enough to make tournament. Both cancelled.
         * Motion to cancel tournaments due to lack of registration by: Kevin/Patty/passed
   4. Learn to Skate update – cancelled as not one person to help teach/skate with kids. Patty sent emails requesting help and didn’t get any feedback.
5. **New Business:**
   1. Facilities
      1. Neil requesting $2,000 for re-carpeting steps, lockers for bags in arena, first aid kits and CPR training.
         * Norita/Kevin/passed
      2. Post volunteer opportunities for varsity games – on bulletin board.
   2. Steve Hall
      1. Presented the spreadsheet of hockey sign info. We are utilizing about 55% of the signs available.
      2. Discussed that some of the addresses on spreadsheet are not ehre as it’s at corporate office. Having hockey players go out and give thank you’s is good but needs to go to the right person. Mentioned a big way we can give back is to announce it at every game and
         * Type this up to put up in booth.
      3. How can the high school give back? Discussed something for them to give out to say thank you for support!
      4. Need the kit and map of where signs are at; Steve gave this to Neil a few years ago so will visit with him and Clayton to see if they have these.
      5. **Founder’s award** – program to honor and recognize members who had made lasting contribution to the program. Helps keep members around association.
         * Pictures of past recipients. (agenda next meeting)
         * There is criteria for this and Steve will get that to Frank to get to the board.
   3. Maxwell photography – contacted Frank to see what he could do to get our business.
   4. Patty Moorehouse – John saw her and she said she couldn’t do the $6,000. We have been unable to reach her via phone and email prior and we were on a tight timeline. Unfortunately we are unable to budge on the numbers due to budget.
6. Next Meeting date is **­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­January 13th, 2014** at 6:00pm Board Room, second floor.

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

1. **Adjournment**: Patty/John/Passed TIME: