

Minutes for WYHA Board Meeting 12/1/14

Greg Gibson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Present: Ruth Allen, Nicole Bergeron, Mark Brandt, Steve Burk, Bob Gardner, Greg Gibson, Jerry Jensen, Mike Melnychuk, Trevor Nelko, Mike Nispel, Rob Rude, Erik Schindler, Steve Tix, Gary Turnquist and Amy Klaiman

Open Forum: Rick Ferraro, a parent of a goalie on the Jr. Gold U16 team, came to speak to the board on behalf of his son. They were disappointed that his son was placed on a U16 team and that after the teams were formed goalies from other associations were placed on Jr. Gold B teams. This was disappointing to Mr. Ferraro, as he felt his son had been with Wayzata association for many years and he felt as though priority should be given to players already in the association. Many board members addressed the concerns by explaining the tryout process and explaining how placement of players is done to help them best succeed. It is also important to WYHA to give players and opportunity to play.

Secretary's Report- Amy Klaiman: RAllen made a motion to approve the November 10, 2014, meeting minutes, ESchindler seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

President's Report- Greg Gibson: PIC Facility Training Center update: The projected completion date is December 13, 2014. WYHA is deeply affected by the tragic death of Eastview player Patrick Schoonover. Plans are being made to honor him. The Bantam AA team has requested funds to pay for a sports psychologist to help support players and coaches following this tragedy. RRude made a motion to approve \$1,800.00 for the Bantam AA team to hire a sports psychologist to help the team. The motion was seconded by Stix and unanimously approved.

Administration- Mike Nispel:

Treasurer's Report- Gary Turnquist: Funds are a bit lower this year than last because of investments made back into the association, such as The PIC Training Facility and the improvements at Central Middle School Arena. Meetings with the team treasurers have occurred and checkbooks have been distributed to the teams. Overall, the financial position is in good shape.

Charitable Gambling- Greg Gibson: ESchindler made a motion to approve January expenses of \$27,000.00. This includes three payrolls and fourth quarter Plymouth city taxes. RRude seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously. ESchindler made the motion to approve November profits of \$9,000.00. RRude seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Marketing – Erik Schindler: Currently, ways of trying to get young players to try hockey are being explored.

Tournaments- Mike Nispel: There are just a few openings to be filled in upcoming tournaments. The 14U A portion of the Frozen Face Off tournament has cancelled due to lack of interest. We are currently looking for Tournament Directors for the Fire and Ice Tournament and the Frozen Face Off.

Registrar - Colleen Sivets: As of 12/1/14 the registration numbers are 1017.

Safesport - Jennifer Martin: No report

BlueLine – Ruth Allen: The last picture day has been scheduled for December 6, 2014. Village Chevrolet team raffle tickets will be handed out to Team Managers/Reps of U10, Squirt levels and above, shortly. Volunteer hours are going fine. We are currently looking for Tournament Directors. A decision was made to close the Central Middle School concession stand.

District 3 – Mark Brandt: Minnesota Hockey is discussing how D3 and D6 run their leagues in regards to the AA teams. There are talks of merging D3 and D6 to give more AA and A league play games. D3 is going to try to match the length of games with D6 in the upcoming seasons.

Mites Program - No report

Boy's Travel – Mike Melnychuk: There have been some issues throughout Minnesota Hockey about Squirt teams surpassing their 35 games a season limit. D3 only allows one game per day, with the exception of tournaments. Coaches and Team Managers need to report all games and controlled scrimmages on their team page. The penalties could be severe if this rule is not followed.

Coaches Committee- Greg Luedke: No Report

Player Development-Trevor Nelko: The new Dryland Facility is looking great. It is on schedule to open December 13th. Teams will be scheduled for four, ninety minute sessions this season. No ice time will follow these sessions.

Junior Gold- Steve Burk: All Jr. Gold teams have been formed and the season is underway. An opportunity has presented itself for the Jr. Gold A team to possibly compete in the National High School Championship Tournament. The team is interested in participating, however, they need to finish the season ahead of all other Metro Hockey teams that are also interested to qualify. The tournament is held in Chesterfield, Mo, the week after the State Tournament.

Old Business: No old business to report.

New Business: No new business to report.

RRude motioned to adjourn the meeting, second by ESchindler, meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

2015 Meeting: 1/5, 2/2, 3/2, 4/6, 5/4, 6/1, 7/13, 8/3, 9/14, 10/5, 11/2, 12/7

2015 Annual Meeting: Saturday April 18 or 25, 2014; 10:00am PIC Center Ice Room

2016 Meetings: 1/4, 2/1, 3/7, 4/11, 5/2, 6/6, 7/11

2016 Annual Meeting: Saturday April 16th or 23rd; 10:00AM PIC Center Ice Room