

Minutes CYHA Board Meeting October 12, 2006

Meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.

Attendance: Derek Olson, John Gautsche, John Christy, Lisa Rogers, Joanna Rooney, Laurie Ahrens & Greg

Erickson

Absent: Gene Ferrel, Erik Marsh & Diane Eliason

Approved September Minutes

<u>President's Report</u>: Bantams are in their last days of tryouts. Peewee camp is almost done. Derek requested that Diane and Laurie work to secure team reps and managers for all teams.

<u>Secretary</u>: Lisa reported on program sales at the Gopher game. Greg & Laurie motioned that the PWB1 team get the profits, because they did the work. Motion passed.

<u>Treasurer</u>: Derek & Diane are working on scholarship requests from families that didn't fulfill requirements last season. Also working on ice bills and team billings.

Volunteer: No report

A.C.E.: Will be working on HEP for Squirts and Mites.

<u>Girls</u>: U14A team has a new coach – a coach for TG HS girls. A discussion took place around having a private school HS coach involved int the "Cooper" program and how it may not be in our best interests to have a HS Varsity coach from TG coaching our girls, because she may recruit them away from Cooper HS. Derek stated that our #1 priority is to have the girls play at the appropriate level of youth hockey with qualified coaches. Greg said we should monitor the situation to see how many players choose Grace. Lisa said that we are concerned about something that may never happen. Derek said his hope is that the HS program takes an interest in the girls to help grow their program and takes a real look at their current pipeline of . Our interest is in taking care of the girls we have now. John G. said we should spend time researching how we can help the HS program grow. Laurie supports looking into this. Lisa stated that we are youth hockey, not HS feeder program hockey – the bylaws we are to "support" the HS, but our priority is with the youth.

Mites: District is reviewing how Mite III games will be done after a lot of feed back from last season.

Registrar: 158 players and coaches have been transmitted. Still need info for some coaches.

Equipment: Practice jerseys are available for Bantams – 12 navy med; 12 xl, 24 L, 24 M white. John G. requested sponsor names for traveling teams.

Ice: No report.

<u>Fundraising</u>: Still need one more sponsor. Working on getting dasher ad sold. Diane needs to contact TCF about MN Hockey fundraising check.

<u>District 3</u>: Hockey Giant has equipment packages for \$100. Goalie substitution forms are available on D3 website. A&B team mandatory coach & manager meeting will be on Nov. 5. Squirts will have 16 league games. U14 regional will be hosted by Orono 3/2-4.

<u>Tournaments</u>: SA & U10B tournaments canceled for Thanksgiving. Need to recruit more people for tournament committee. John G. thought we should give members hrs. Lisa said they already do. Laurie pointed out that canceling puts a bad taste in people's mouth. Greg thought we should target specific teams and mail to them.

New Business: Joanna suggested putting in drop boxes at the arena like PIC has. All agreed. Laurie will check with PIC to see where they got them.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A discussion took place about the direction of the youth program and its future. This discussion let all board members provide an opinion on our current association situation and the future. It was decided and agreed that a strategic meeting will be held the following week to discuss our initiatives. Laurie will send out a SWOT questionnaire to board for completion before the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Rogers Secretary