

CHIPPEWA YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING MINUTES – October 25, 2015, 6:00 PM

Called to order by: Bob Normand Time: 6:00pm

Present: President (2015) Bob Normand _x_ Vice President (2014) Steve Gibbs _x_
 Treasurer (2015) Erik LeMay _x_ Secretary (2014) Michael Pynch _x_
Board (2014) Randy Reeg _ Scott Peloquin _x_ Darrell Herr _x_ Dan McCauley _x_
(2015) Rod Olson _x_ Trevor Bohland _ Pat Bowe _x_ John Benish _x_ Brad Martin _x_

Other Attendees:

Scott Sikkink, Jodi Ash, Cheryl Herr, Rod Elkin

1. General Meeting

Cheryl Herr represented the 8U project and brought forward a request for supplies. She requested six nets between the size of normal goals and the current Mites goals. Bob noted that they have solid goals at Becker which might be more durable. She requested we get functional skating helpers (white ones). Bob shared that Josh Baier has been repairing those that we have needed to have repaired. The 8U program could also use some soccer balls, whiffle balls, rings, rubber chickens, and other items that are used during practice as well as cabinet storage to keep them. The Board authorized Cheryl to purchase those items and turn in the receipt to Erik LeMay for reimbursement.

Cheryl asked about the jerseys for Beginners and how those are handled. We charge \$10 per jersey and they are able to keep them. We pay the additional cost of the jerseys.

Jodi Ash noted that we say we will accept hockey skates but not figure skates for work assessment. She would like to see if we might offer assessment offers for donating high quality figure skates. We agreed that the ProShop will review all skates and determine if they are of an appropriate quality. To date much of what has been turned in for work assessment has been of a lesser quality and it was also noted that most people that come to rent skates at Open Skate are looking for hockey skates not figure skates.

The Figure Skating Club is currently looking for skates to be donated for individuals with need and if someone has some skates they can connect directly with Trish Swink.

Figure Skating will be changing their Bingo Hours to start at 7:00pm vs. the current time of 7:30pm. Willie is getting his license amended and once that is back we will coordinate announcing that to the bingo world.

2. Secretary's Report

The minutes for the month of September were approved via an e-mail vote and distributed to the Association.

The minutes for the October 14 closed meeting were approved via an e-mail vote.

3. Treasurer's Report

Motion was made to approve financial report by Steve Gibbs, second by Brad Martin. Motion carried.

4. Correspondence/Officer Reports

N/A

5. Old Business

Pat Bowe shared that LiveBarn is planning to get their system installed in November. They understand that they will miss the window of opportunity for this season if they don't get it installed soon.

Pat Bowe stated that the CO/NO Monitor is supposed to be shipped to us soon.

Pat Bowe noted the desiccant wheel is still good on the North Rink and should be for a few more years. Pat recommends that we start putting money away for a new dehumidification system for the North Rink.

6. New Business

The TV in the South Rink Concession area is not functioning well.

Motion was made to purchase a new TV of at least the same size (42 inch) by Steve Gibbs, second by Dan McCauley. Motion carried.

It was also noted that the Team/Coaching room (old Boardroom) was intended to be the place for teams to watch game video. We will evaluate options for that room between now and the next board meeting and take action.

The Co-op Committee voted Steve Odell as the recommended Head Coach for the 14U girls. Dave Boisvert has offered to coach the 12U girls.

Motion was made to approve the recommended 12U and 14U coaches as provided by the Co-op Committee by Pat Bowe, second by Erik LeMay. Motion carried.

Pat mentioned that the rink lost electricity for 16 hours and had he not happened to be in the rink that would have been a significant issue and we might have lost ice. The parking lot still has a hole from fixing that issue and CYHA hired Senn Blacktop to assist in getting that fixed since Xcel hasn't done so yet.

7. Committee Reports

Special Events (Brad)

- Country/RockFest Final Numbers
CYHA received \$70,947 in 2014 and this year received \$62,887. The attendance numbers were down at both Fests.

Rod Olson noted that Heidi Olson is hoping to start the sign-up for next year's Fest events.

On-Ice (Scott)

- Finalize teams for Squirts/PeeWees
The Squirts teams were finalized and the PDC is evaluating the coaching applications. The names will be posted on the website tonight. The board had representation in each of the post

try-out review meetings and felt that the process was handled very well. Squirt A and Squirt B teams will have 14 players each. The Squirt C team will have 13 players.

Motion was made to approve the Squirts rosters as presented by Randy Reeg, second by Steve Gibbs. Motion carried.

Rod Elkin also provided some new information to the board on the recommended number of skaters at the Squirts Level (10U) by USA Hockey. He shared that 10-12 skaters plus one goalie is the recommendation.

The PeeWee team rosters were reviewed with the Board. There are 12 skaters and a goalie on each team. The recommended number of skaters at the PeeWee level by USA Hockey is 15 skaters plus two goalies.

Motion was made to approve the PeeWees rosters as presented by Erik, second by Brad. Motion carried.

- **Bantam Tryouts**
Tryouts will be held this Tuesday and Thursday on the North Rink. There are 26-27 skaters and 3-4 goalies. The recommended number of skaters from USA Hockey is 16 skaters plus two goalies. There will be evaluators from both Chippewa Falls and Altoona. Rod shared that there aren't a lot of returning Bantam skaters next year for Altoona so it is possible we will not have a Co-op next year. The Board will also have representation in the review meeting.

Motion was made to approve the applications of all coaches that applied and that meet the coaching requirements of USA Hockey in the appropriate timeframe by Randy Reeg, second by Erik LeMay. Motion carried.

Facilities (Darrell)

- **North Rink Scoreboard**
No change since last meeting.
- **Rink Rekeying**
This has been completed and Steve is getting Fobs out to the appropriate people.
- **Rubber Matting by Player Benches, Hallways, etc.**
Becker Rink Systems provided a quote for rubber matting broken out by each area of our rink. John Caron is a member of our association and he owns S&S Interiors also provided a quote for this work. The board will evaluate these quotes and determine the need, priority, and timing as appropriate before making a final decision.
- **Chi-Hi Locker Rooms**
Scott Sikkink discussed moving the locker rooms back to where the outdoor rink would be and then pushing the outdoor rink further back to the lot line and turning sideways. Scott believes that this will reduce the price from a fundraising perspective and also positively affect many more community members. He is waiting to get firmer numbers and a more formal plan. He suggested that we should be looking for ways to recognize those individuals that are helping to fund this initiative. It was noted that we should use that time to also acknowledge those that helped with the South Rink.

Motion made for the High School locker room committee headed by Scott Sikkink to proceed with its evaluation of the locker rooms on the south side of the South Rink with formal plans to be approved at a later date pending further details by Pat Bowe, second by John Benish. Motion carried.

Finance/Administration (Randy)

- Sponsorship Letters to Hotels
No change since last meeting.
- Non-Parent Coach Reimbursement
This year we have five non-parent coaches and each year we are having more difficulty filling those head coaching roles. Rod is recommending that we provide a \$250/month stipend at the Squirts/PeeWees level for the months of November – March and \$300/month at the Bantam level. There was discussion about having a smaller stipend for Assistant Coaches. There was discussion about Non-Parent coaches being non-members or not related to players. This will be reviewed in detail at each month during this season and also after the season in total to evaluate how we might improve this program next season.

Motion made for Non-Parent Head Coaches for Bantams/U14 to receive a stipend (reimbursement of expenses paid monthly) of \$300/month, Non-Parent Assistant Coaches to receive a stipend of \$150/month, Non-Parent Head Coaches for Pee-Wee/Squirts would receive \$250/month, Non-Parent Assistant Coaches to receive \$125/month, for the months of November 2015 through March 2016, by Pat Bowe, second by John Benish. Motion carried.

- Chuck-A-Puck Rack
Scott Peloquin is going to take responsibility for completing the Chuck-A-Puck rack.
- Tournament Gift – Towels
The board agreed to move forward with giving Towels again as tournament gifts. They were very well received. We have enough to get through the first tournament though will need more for those additional tournaments.
- Document Management Solution
Michael will be working on the development of an intranet site using Microsoft Office 365/SharePoint so that we can track and share documents. This solution is free to use given our 501c3 nonprofit status.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn was made by Brad, with a second by Erik. Meeting adjourned at 9:09PM.
Next meeting is Wednesday, November 18, at 7:00pm at Boardroom.