

WHA Board Meeting Agenda

September 23rd, 2015 – 6:30 PM @ Waseca Community Arena

- Call Meeting to Order @ 6:36pm
- Open Forum: (Need to sign up prior to meeting starting 3 to 5 minutes to speak)
- Tim Roessler
 - Make a couple comments in regards to the Bantam team action item. Heard that there would only be one team. I think we would do a disservice to these kids by not having 2 teams. I think there are too many players for one team. All the kids have worked hard and have always had 2 teams. Looking back at the March meeting it was decided then to have 2 teams and looking back the numbers haven't changed. A lot of kids registered thinking there would be 2 teams. It states in the policy manual that if there is over 20 players on a team we would have 2 teams.
- Matt Schumacher
 - I want to address the Bantam action item. I honestly believe that we should keep it at 2 teams and we have so many kids that have worked so hard to get to this point. If we are talking about JV and Varsity equal playing time I totally get that but were talking about Bantam. These kids have all been playing together since ponies I think we owe it to them. We promised them we would have 2 teams at the WHA Banquet. We announced there would be a Bantam A and B2. All the kids worked all summer shooting pucks based off that philosophy. As parents, we paid our fees off the philosophy we would have 2 separate teams. To find out about it at the last minute, if we would have know this sooner some of us could have made other arrangements. We could go to Owatonna, Mankato so our kids could still see the ice time. I have a kid that is on that bubble. Last year played on the B team. If you look at their numbers they have huge improvements in their skating and skills because they spent so much time on the ice, not just doing drills. Do live action game situations. If we go to 21 players were not going to have that. Last year we saw in my opinion the 3rd line get very little game time so if we have a 4th line what realistically will happen with them. They could also be late bloomers. We have great examples, Michael Jordan who got cut as a sophomore. Andrew Burnett who played on a C squad as a Bantam player and now is a pretty good hockey player for the Wild. He accredits his coaches keeping him on the ice doing those drills. Coaches can't start pin pointing and separating kids out. Plus I think we have to stick to our word. We lose creditability with parents and the community by not keeping our word. Were always told to support the WHA but we ask that you support it by keeping 2 teams. Now not to just stand up here and talk about it, Scott Hansen and myself would step in and coach the B team even if our kids weren't on it. Also in the policy manual, pg 18, it talks about having 2 teams if over 20 skaters. It does state board approval but were asking you to stick to the policy of having 2 separate teams. It also says in the manual about equal playing time to not do a disservice to the kids by having some players play more than the others.

- Tammy Hoehn
 - I'm also here to speak on behalf of the 2 separate Bantam teams. I have nothing further to add. Tim and Matt did a wonderful job.
- Kelly Moseley
 - I'm here on behalf of both the goalies. Both have asked to have 2 teams so both can play.
- Martha Diedtrich
 - I don't have much to add either but I know my son would be disappointed if he could not be playing on whatever team he would be playing on.
- Bobbi Mathern
 - I'm also in support into 2 Bantam teams. The parents and players have put lots of time into this and we spend half our year here. I think it would be unfair to not allow equal playing time. I don't think it would be a good financial situation if we start cutting kids out or if kids decide to exit the WHA.
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- Additional items for the September agenda?
 - Action item – Erik Fink coaches training
 - Move ice schedule software to discussion only
- Approval of August's Meeting Minutes - motion to approve August meeting minutes by Al K. seconded by Tracy J. passes 13-0
- Approval of September's Meeting Agenda – Motion to approve amended agenda by Anthony M. and seconded by Jeremiah M. Passes 13-0

Gambling Report: Al Kunz

Approval of August's Expenses ____x____ Lawful purpose expenditures ____x____

Pre-approval of October's Expenses ____x____ Lawful purpose expenditures ____x____

Checking Account Balance: ____x____

All expenses normal. We will discontinue our E-Bingo. Motion to approve the gambling report by Brian W. and seconded by Anthony M. Passes 13-0

Financial Report: Treasurer

General Account Balance ____x____ Concession Account Balance ____x____

Arena Ice Balance: ____x____

Motion to approve the financial report by Mike R and seconded by Jason A. Passes 12-0

Guest Speaker:

Reports and Updates:

- District 9 Update: Kelly Heitkamp
 1. SafeSport if it's been two year it must be updated before a coach hits the ice.
 - Coaching training – Erik Fink
 2. Bantam, 12U and Pee Wee Teams must notify the District of Playing level by 9/25
- Presidents Report: Kelly Heitkamp
 1. Will Vote on Team Photographer Next Month
 2. Who Didn't Purchase Super Bingo Tickets (Must Pay Penalty) – 90% complete and aware of ones that have not purchased.
 3. Schwann's On-Line Fundraiser – Parent coordinator to help with. Someone would need to be here when they deliver. Move forward. If you are on their route then they will drop off at your residence.
 4. Volunteer Plaque - Done
 5. Grievance Committee – keep on. Who wants to be on it.
 6. Arch Allies – booked for concert fundraiser next year.
 7. Calendar Pick up – still families that need to pick up calendars. Coordinate with team coordinators
 8. HS Parents / Calendars / Ice –need to have HS player be involved. The WHA has purchased a lot of ice and uniforms for the HS.
 9. Possible Reality – Hockey Mom
 10. Player Release -
 11. Hockey Day (January 23rd)
 12. Away Tournaments – Increased the fee. Check minutes. Maybe do a sliding scale.

Committee Reports:

- Registration – Darla – 99.9% done. USA Hockey is asking all volunteers to register.
- Volunteer Hours – Teresa and Tracy - Dibs
- Equipment Report HEP – Jason – looking good
- Fundraising – Amy is working on spreadsheet. Salt sale Oct. 4th hand in. Paint and Sip. Put ad on website. Sponsorships invoices have been sent out. Thank You to all our Sponsors.
- Tournament Coordinator – Julie and Jeff – Will need help from coordinators to fill the slots in all our tournaments. Speak at parent meeting. Hours will be awarded up to 30 hours.
- Ice Scheduler – Anthony – trying to find some ice scheduling software. Everyone seems to do it by hand. Setup for Kyle and Anthony would access through a shared drive. \$425.00. Let's make a decision at the next meeting.
- Recruitment – Jeremiah – 2 on 2 Challenge again this year. Girls recruitment weekend Oct 11th could tie into that ice time. Nov. try hockey for free event. Will have 3 try hockey free events throughout the year.

- Arena Liaison / HS – Brian Thanks to the volunteers who helped paint the ice. Special thanks to Randy Zimmerman. We might have to consider \$1400 to get the ice painted if we can't get volunteers. Arena did purchase an electric edger.
- WHA Website Coordinator – Anthony – Speak with team coordinator to make sure we are tagging things appropriately.
- Concession Stand – Mayra Eustice – I will not be working so many hours in the concessions due to the absence of volunteers. We might need to do some training.
- Calendars – Missy Roecker
- Youth Hockey Director – Eric Fink
- Coaching Coordinator – Pete Madel
- Officials Coordinator – (Tom Holtz)
 - Need more officials. The numbers will be down again this year. Again try to double up the games so it makes it easier to get outside officials coming in. It is a time commitment. Must sign up with USA Hockey and take training classes.
- High School Varsity Hockey Coaches – (Chris Story and Kyle Collins)
 - Nothing new

Discussion Items:

- Outdoor Rink Blacktopping and Tiling
 - Quotes – cement quote. We will need to install some tiling.
 - The cement seems to be the way to go. We need formal quote.
- Removal of Dasher Boards – set up time to take down.
- Do We Want to Purchase Rink Dividers \$1,197 – Could use 2 more. There is a need for them.
- Do We Want to Purchase Game Nets \$1,400 - Nets are getting worn and the paint will not stick. Could get the goals painted red at no cost. If we could get a set of nets then the older ones could go out to the outdoor rink. Will bring to board next month as action items.

Action Items:

- Coaching training – Erik Fink - Motion to approve 2 sessions at \$150.00 to train the coaches by Tracy J. and seconded by Julie M. Passes 12-0
- Metro Sales Copier Contract / Renew or Non Renew- We own the copier outright. We do have maintenance contract. Recommends leave it for now. \$120.00 / yr contract. No action required.
- Player Insurance – Motion to buy insurance by Brian W. and seconded by Amy R. passes 12-0
- Skill Session Rate for Non WHA Members - Motion to let players HS Girls/14U do skills but pay \$50.00 to the WHA for ice by Mike R. seconded by Trent. Motion fails 2-11.
 - New motion by Jeremiah to allow HS and 14U players, upon the coaches recommendation, are allowed to go to skills II with no ice fee and seconded by Anthony M. Passes 11-2

- Volunteer Hours for Coaches (30 Hours) – Motion to have the head coaches service cover the 35 hours required by the WHA by Jeff H. and seconded by Jason A. Passes 12-0
- Skill Session Helpers Receive Concession and Non Cession Hours –motion to allow HS players to help with skills sessions and get the concession and non concession Dibs hours for their time by Julie M. and seconded by Jason A. Passes 11-1.
- Ice Scheduling Software – no action- add to next month.
- HS School Girls Jersey's \$6,000 – Motion to authorize up to \$6,000 to offset whatever cost the booster donation would be by Anthony M. and seconded by Tracy J. Passes 10-1-1
- Bantam A Team – see attached. Motion to go with the coaches recommendation to have one A team by Jason A. and seconded by Mike R. Passes 8-4.
- Cement instead of Asphalt – Motion to have this tabled for 10 days and call a special vote by Jeremiah M. and seconded by Brian W. Passes 12-0
- Motion to adjourn the meeting at __9:40pm_ Motion to adjourn the meeting by Anthony seconded by Mike R. passes 12-0

Next Meeting Wednesday, October 21st, 2015 6:30 PM Waseca Community Arena

Action Items

Copier Contract:

- Trent will have information on this.....

Player Insurance:

- See Attachment from Last Year

Rate for Skill Session for HS Girls / 14U:

- I would recommend we charge each player \$50 for the year.

Coaches Volunteer Hours:

- It can be difficult to find coaches plus they put in more than 30 hours
- I would recommend they do not have to do the 5 extra hours.

Skill Session Helpers:

- Again it is very difficult to find 4 helpers for each session twice a week.
- I would recommend skill session hours can go towards non concession hours and concession hours.
- They must get their hours only if they work both sessions that given night.

Ice Scheduling Rate:

- Anthony will speak on this matter

HS Girls Jersey's

- Kyle will speak
- Please add the girls HS jerseys to the meeting agenda for Sunday. Will request \$6,000 for girl jerseys. This is from the same company as the boys ordered from last season.
- 25 jerseys X \$118 X 2 sets (whites & darks) = \$5,900
- We are going to hold off on ordering socks at this time.

Bantam Team:

- *It is recommended by Bantam Coaching Staff and WHA Coaches that the Bantams have one "A" team.*
- *I recommend we have one Bantam "A" Team*
- *We back and support the WHA coaches decisions*
- *We're moving to an "A" program and these are the tough decisions we have to make sometime*

Details:

- *We have 21 skaters and 2 goaltenders*
- *The District will allow the WHA to Roster 21 skaters up until the District Tournament*
- *Coach has not seen all the players but feels he has three lines at this time that can compete at the "A" level. (Which is different from last year)*
- *More lines will give the players a better chance to remain competitive throughout the game...especially later in the game.*
- *Past Coach / Coaching Coordinator and Youth Skills Director feels this is best option.*
- *No equal playing time at bantams*
- *No other coach*

Multiple Options for Players / Parents:

Option 1:

- *Allow any player to practice, participate in skills at a reduced rate of \$300*
- *If parents choose to continue to pay full rate.....player has a chance to continue to compete for a playing position*

Option 2:

- *We roster all players who paid full fee*
- *There is no guarantee a player will play during a game.*

- *At District Tournament time three players will be cut from tournament roster.....they still will be able to practice with team.....*

Option 3:

- *Release any player that would like to play for a "B" team in another association*

Option 4:

- *Full refund*

Parents must notify the Bantam Coach and WHA President if they choose Option 1, 3 or 4 by October 15th and there will be no tryouts.

Wednesday, September 23rd, 2015

1. Kelly Heitkamp-President
2. Mike Rolling-Vice President / Recorder
3. Trent Morris-Treasurer
4. Al Kunz-Gambling Manager
5. Jeff Herbst-Tournament Coordinator
6. Anthony Martens-Ice Scheduler
7. Julie Miller-Tournament Coordinator
8. Amy Roessler- Fundraising
9. Theresa Schumacher-Volunteer Hours
10. Darla Dahnert-Registration Coordinator
11. Tracy Jevning-Volunteer Hours
12. Brian Weller-Hs / Arena Board Liason
13. Jason Attenberger-Equipment Manager / HEP
14. Jeremiah Miller - Recruitment