Park Rapids Amateur Hockey Association

Board Meeting Minutes

Date: 7/24/17

1. Call to Order: By: Norita Time: 6:03 p.m.
2. Board Members Present: Brent H., Shaun, Laura, Nancy, Norita, Blake
3. Agenda Approval: Blake/Brent H./Passed
4. Minutes Approval: Brent H./Shaun/Passed
5. Old Business
   1. Mission Statement
      1. Norita brought a sample mission statement and vision.
         1. The thought is to have the mission statement and vision to be printed somewhere in the building, and will be added to the policy book.
            1. Brent H./Shaun/Passed
         2. Brent will check with Pat Ahman to see what it would cost for vinyl lettering.
         3. Norita also thought some of the arts students would possibly be able to paint this on the wall.
      2. Mission: The Park Rapids Amateur Hockey Association is dedicated to providing the opportunity for all youth in our community to learn the game of hockey and compete at their greatest ability.
      3. Vision: Working together as a team to be the best we can be today and in the future.
   2. Figure Skaters
      1. Min Klein present at this evening’s meeting.
      2. She brought the tentative schedule for practices and two possible weekends for the show (February 23-25, March 2-4). 26 nights for practice, plus the show.
         1. Try Hockey for Free is on February 25.
         2. Show will take place on March 2-4.
      3. January 7 – annual skate-athon. They would like to do an overnight lock-in. Younger skaters would stay for a certain amount of time and then leave with their parents. The older skaters’ parents would have the option to stay or leave, but then it would be a lock-in.
         1. Would like them to come on Saturday, January 6 (maybe 7-12 midnight). Then regular lessons on January 7.
         2. Board will check to see with insurance company to make sure that we would not need additional coverage for an event like this.
         3. Min asked when ice will go in. Ice will be in no later than October 18.
         4. Figure skaters start date would be Sunday, October 29. Last date for figure skaters Wednesday, March 7.
         5. Saturday, October 28 Min is requesting morning ice for a Learn to Skate event. This would be a one-time event. Thinking of starting around 9 a.m. for a couple of hours. The details have not been worked out yet. (9-12 noon at the most).
            1. Norita will run this past Matt, and work with the scheduler to see if this would be something that we could accommodate. She will let Min know.
         6. Dasher board – wondering if they could get their dasher board put up this year. This was bought a couple of years ago, but there was discussion about whether or not the hockey association would charge them to put this up and they not got a response.
            1. Min said that the last time that she talked to Ed he didn’t know where this was.
            2. The board decision is that when/if this banner is found this will be put up.
         7. Min presented a hockey curriculum that is offered through figure skaters. She is wondering about working with the hockey association to offer this. After review of the curriculum it is the same program that the hockey association uses for Rink Rats (or Intro to Hockey, as it will be called this season).
            1. Norita will show the curriculum to Matt.
            2. They would charge for these sessions.
         8. Higher level skaters are wondering if they could do a short performance during a varsity hockey game as it nears the time of their show. Their routines are roughly two minutes.
            1. The board will discuss this with the varsity coaches to see if we can work this out during a game or two.
         9. They would also like the hockey players involved in doing something during the figure skaters’ show.
            1. The board will discuss this with the varsity coaches as well. They would like the higher level skaters.
   3. Varsity Contracts with Walker
      1. We have not received any communication from the school regarding our decisions.
      2. We are supposed to be letting Walker know what our decision is by August 1.
      3. A subcommittee was formed, but there has not been a meeting yet.
6. New Business
   1. R&R meeting Wednesday, July 26 at 6 p.m.
   2. Nevis parade on Saturday.
   3. Update on Garrett:
      1. He will be available to help put ice in.
      2. He will be available Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays through the season.
      3. He has two potential people interested in helping, but they are not ready to commit at this point.
   4. Scheduling
      1. Jeromy had invited rink staff to be at this evening’s meeting. They were not present at this evening’s meeting. We did get an update from Garrett.
      2. We need to start working on our schedule. We need to know if Josh Jopp is going to be the scheduler or not.
         1. Norita called Josh during the meeting. She left a message requesting he call back about the rink staff position.
   5. Jason Horton present at this evening, per Blake’s invitation regarding EMT. Jason is an EMT. His girlfriend’s son plays hockey. He is willing to help out with some of the EMT duties that are required. His girlfriend has a difficult time getting in her volunteer hours in because of her job, and he was wondering if he volunteered time if it could work off some of those hours. This player is at the Squirt level.
      1. Jason is requesting $50 per game after volunteer hours have been met.
         1. He was told that we would need his help at the varsity games and at sanctioned tournaments. He would get 1.5 hours for every game he volunteered at, that is not at the Squirt level.
         2. This will be discussed with Jeromy. He has been working on this as well. We can get back to him when we have a better idea of what games we need covered. His number is 218-255-7628.
   6. Brent is requesting new set of nets for $500.
      1. New nets will be purchased.
   7. Raffle prizes
      1. We are hoping to have all raffle prizes picked and tickets bought so the booklets can be handed out at the parent meetings in October.
      2. Three booklets are mandatory this year.
      3. Budget for prizes is $12,000.
      4. All board members to think about ideas for raffle prizes.
      5. Blake would like to know what we want as the big prize – he would like to secure the biggest prize first, and then work on the other raffle prizes after that point.
      6. Blake will send out an email to the whole board regarding this.
7. Next meeting date is: 8/14/17 at 6 p.m.
8. Adjournment: By: Brent H/Shaun/Passed Time: 7:13 p.m.