**WAYHA BOARD MEETING Minutes**

**April 10, 2022 @ 6:00 pm**

**Waupaca Expo**

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call

* Present: Mel Hirte, Todd Petersen, Forrest Wright, Tricia Oltmann, Robert Schulz, Mara Schulz, Tom Grant, Steph McGregor, Collin Dykstra, Pete Olson, Sherri Olson & Dawson
* Excused: Kendra, Luke, Nate, Howie, Pam,

1. Approval of last meeting minutes
   * 1. Motion made by Pete and seconded by Pete

4.Financial Report –Pam Fullmer (Sick)

* Review of March Financials
* Todd moves to review @ May meeting.  Robert seconds the motion

1. Ice Scheduler-Pete Olson

* Pete states that we should look into adding in pricing to rentals for extras like refs and such for those that want/need it.
* Dairyland Danglers have rented a few times.   They are holding try outs here in May / June
* Starting in August if they get their charter they’d be interested in renting the ice from 6-9 on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursdays until our season starts.    Midwest Ice is using ice Mondays & Fridays.
* Forrest said ice does not necessarily need to come out in the summer.  Right now the plan is to take it out in July and put back in August.
* Pete will send Pam and Mel the rental agreements so they can verify the payments are coming in for rentals.
* Discussion of pricing of  area ice rentals took place.  We are the cheapest in the area.

1. Game/Ref Scheduler-Stephanie McGregor

* Steph suggests the team managers should receive DIBS credits for the amount of work that they are asked to do.
* Brook & Mel have been working how  DIBS should be awarded  for various positions..   Suggestions will be sent out to the board for discussion once they have it completed.
* Steph suggested there should be  ice time available in the off season  for our WAYHA players since our ice is in most of the year.  She is suggesting something for the kdis that aren’t in other leagues to be able to have some ice time available to practice their skills.
* Pond Hockey type format and divide it by skillset levels, etc…
  + - 1. Mara suggested a possible Day Shift during the summer
* Steph also mentioned  looking @ hosting powerskating clinics
* Fall Tournament/fundraising proposal:   Full Ice Tournaments like Thunderfest, Fond Du Lac, Rhinelander, etc…
  + 1. Steph has offered to run and organize this in the fall
    2. Could do certain levels or all levels
    3. Other  clubs are doing this with great success
       1. Our central location likely to bring in
    4. **Follow Up - Steph will bring an official proposal to the next meeting to discuss and possibly approve**

1. Registrar Report-Tricia Oltmann
   * + 1. June deadline for fees, etc…
2. High School Coach-Andy Yeska
   * + 1. We will ask him to attend a summer meeting
3. Director of Hockey: Forrest Wright (Luke)

* Follow-up on Bantam proposal
* Forrest spoke with a group of parents & players and stated they would like to stick with one team vs a coop.
* Discussion on a coop with Antigo
* Bobby offered to compose the email to the PW parents if needed.  Forrest suggests the board decides.
* Forrest suggests that if we would go ahead with anything that we would need their players released to us.   2 teams are ideal for this level, but not if it means a coop.  Also important to note that It is also difficult to schedule Bantam B team games.   Many members chimed in agreeing that is the case.
* If we don’t coop we’d likely have to play as 1 team.
* If we only have 1 team  we most likely will have  kids that won’t be able to play at state / playdowns because we are limited to how many we can roster.
* Seniority would determine who wouldn’t play
* Forrest & Steph discussed options for playing A & B opposing teams to try to make things fair for all players
* In order to have 2 teams at  the Bantam level it was agree we would need a MINIMUM of 26 players for 2 teams.
  + - 1. *Bobby makes a motion to bring it to a vote.   Forrest seconds.  No one motions to approve the coop with Antigo.  Coop with Antigo denied.*

1. President’s Report – Melanie Hirte
   1. Pam working with the bank about refinancing the loan
      1. *Mel presents to approve Pam, Luke & Mel will as signers on the loan.  Bobby motions and Sherri seconds. All in favor, motion passes.*
2. Tournament Director – Becki Niemuth (Mel Hirte reporting)

* No response from the club for Tournament Director position yet.
* Steph has offered to split the tournaments with Becki if she is willing to stay on.  Steph would take care of 2 and Becki could take care of two.
  + - Mel states we’d like to keep feelers out for someone to take it on to keep Steph from having too much on her plate since already the scheduler.
      * + Steph reminded us the we are hosting state this year as well.

1. Maintenance Report – Tom Grant
   * + Maintenance Nights - Weekly?  Mel suggest we need to get these going now so we can give people DIBS options for the summer.
     + Tom will call Jason @ Precision Sound RE: Sound System
     + Can we fix this one? Do we need a new ones?
     + Can we get the speakers working upstairs again?
       - Pete states wiring is likely located in the ceiling somewhere between the lights.
     + Forrest has State Championship Banners to be hung when someone has  a lift on the ice.
     + Dawson brought up a previous discussion with Howie for in floor system needing to be hard wired & a few other things.  Dawson will work on completing that.  Forrest stated we need  new elements for the water heater.   Forrest and Dawson will look into it and come up with a solution.
     + Dial on press box timer is broken.  Dawson will fix it.
2. Equipment Manager-Becky Grundman/Meagan Wright
   * + 1. None
3. Fundraising Committee-Todd Petersen

* Golf Outing Update-Bobby Schulz: **June 18th** @ Hidden Waters.
* $75 Golfer Fee (Reduced by $25 based on feedback)
* $200 Sponsor Fee (Same)
* Raffle Baskets :  Will put out to the hockey Moms
* Dairy Agstravaganza: **June 25th** Volunteers Needed
  + Give back to the community that gives to us like Fireman’s Picnic
  + Goal is 10-15 Volunteers
    - 1. Slots are 2 hours
      2. Todd will coordinate the volunteer efforts
* Welcome Back to WAYHA Annual Meeting: **September 24th**
  + Forrest will be doing a dunk tank
* Meat Raffle
  + Tickets will be Handed out @ Annual Meeting on September 24th
  + Todd will reach out to Ruth T & Mike P for pricing on cows.
  + Niemuth’s would butcher.
* Community Foundation Grant Update:
  + No news yet
  + Todd got an initial quote for the bleachers
  + It’s around 150K.   He thinks this is high, but thinks the cost would be around 100K +/-
  + Bleachers would be able to be pushed in
  + 25’ longer than current bleachers
  + Dryland area would be available
  + ADA compliant
  + 1 year order timeline
  + Dawson questions selling current bleachers?
  + Todd will ask his bleacher contact
  + Forrest says Becker may be interested
* Saturday, **May 14th** Mara proposed Brat Fry during city wide rummage sale.
  + Mara proposed we have schedule of Learn to Skate info and Friday Night games to hand out for:

Brat Fry

Parade

* Friday Night Game Sponsorship
  + Todd will reach out to all past Friday night sponsors first before offering to new sponsors.
* Chamber / Room Tax $$:  Mel has not heard back

1. Walk in Items

* Sherrie suggested we have something for kids to do during tournaments, etc…. (Example: Marinette)  Basketball hoops, shooting area, karaoke.
* Forrest.   Spoke with guy that does board cleaning.   Forrest demonstrated.
  + - * + $650 Board Cleaning.   Ice will need to be out for this.
        + $85 for a box of sponges (Should take 4 to do all @ $1.25/each)
        + *Todd makes motion to hire him.  Bobby seconds.  Motion approved.*

Forrest & Pete will work on scheduling the board cleaning when ice is out.

Steph suggests selling for $5/each in concessions.

1. *Todd makes motion to adjourn @ 7:26pm.  Bobby seconds motion. All in favor. Motion passes*

**Next Meeting:  May 15th @ 6pm**