



RHA Board Meeting

Date: June 26, 2023 - 8:30pm

Location: Cedar Rock Sportsplex

Attendees: Aaron Ala, Alex Bjork, Bill Zalba, Holly Ensley, Jim Raguckas, Mandy DeVries, Nate Spahn, Richard Klein, Scott Karczewski, Steve Alles & Tawni Brouwer

Discussion Topics

Meeting call to order @ 8:40pm

Agenda review and additional topics (Brouwer)

Open Membership Forum

New Business:

- House registration-
 - \$200 deposit when they register - 4 equal payments after
 - Only PeeWee will be capped at 15, then get added to a waitlist
 - Richard to rebuild the registration; once it's ready, he will email Steve who will then send a note to all returning PeeWee eligible families; RHA to give one week for these players to register prior to sharing the registration link broadly

Old Business:

- Golf Outing - August 26 9am start
 - Lunch After - Silent Auction (bring them into rink before)
 - \$360 per team
 - Scott to revise the sponsorship levels; will offer more visibility on social media, particularly via the player spotlights
- THFF
 - Nov. 4, 2023
 - Jan. 7, 2024 - our flexible date
 - Feb. 24, 2024
- LTS/LTP Dates for '23-24
 - Sept. 17 - Oct. 22 (skip 29th; Holly is tied up at work and it's Halloween weekend)



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- Nov. 5 - Dec. 17, skipping Nov. 26 for Thanksgiving – everyone available must help on Nov. 5 (day after THFF)
 - Jan. 14 - Feb. 18 (skip Feb. 25, day after THFF)
 - March 3 - April 21 (skipping March 31 and April 7... starts one week after THFF)
- SafeSport & Background Checks
- Interpreting Services for Mites player
 - Steve has created the new document and will be sending to Jared
 - Reach back out to MAHA to keep this on the radar for a long-term solution - Get a letter sent to MAHA on behalf Rams Hockey asking for official help - Steve to contact Jared
- Project Advantage
 - Zach is the new GM
 - Rumor is may be turning the turf into pickleball courts
 - Have nearly all the equipment for curling, but no contract yet
 - Meijer may be providing another donation

Parking Lot:

- Toren Prawdzik (Photoevo) - interested in helping RHA
- Mites nets: Jason Markham offer to refresh the nets. Paint and new netting ~\$200 per net.
- Team Travel Policy
 - Tawni to do further research (USA Hockey, SafeSport, other club policies)
 - https://www.pnaha.com/layout_container/show_layout_tab?layout_container_id=12296637&page_node_id=1318737&tab_element_id=31803

Committee Reports:

- Rams Scholarship Committee
 - Golf Outing Update - Committee to consider August date
 - August 26 @ Cedar Chase - \$45/person for golf & cart + \$11/person for food
 - Sponsorships
 - No incentive to sign up for the top tier over the 2nd tier
 - Can we add something for the top tier? e.g. add sponsor logo to the website permanently, do a splash more often on social media, sponsored posts that occur at regular intervals, player profiles attached to a sponsor on confirmed dates; Scott & Lacie to provide a reco
 - Top Sponsor - committee to talk with Bill regarding his roofing employer
 - June 29 - committee committed to having sponsorship incentives ready; registration to follow
- Banner Hanging Committee
 - Home/Away Sign above benches - Received & PA to hang
- Disciplinary Committee
 - Steps of discipline
 - Need something in writing from individuals/parents who have witnessed the behavior



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- Meet with the players (and parents?) regarding the accusations against them
- Follow back up with reporting family
- Consequences: warning, then case-by-case punishment, e.g. potential game suspension
- Growth Coordinator
 - Holly's contract ends at the end of the month; RHA to renew; Tawni to revise the dates and resend to Holly
 - LTS/LTP
 - (See old business above for dates of '23-24 season)
 - Izzard personal storage area under the bleachers; Steve aligned with Travis to partition of an area for Izzard at Rams cost
 - Currently 4 sections:
 - 1 section for Rams
 - 1 section for Izzard
 - 1 section for beer
 - 1 section for PA Other
 - Equipment
 - Would like to to get a few more medium and a few large helmets
 - Working with PA to identify a new area to store gear, perhaps upstairs
 - One Goal Grant - on hold for '23-24 season
 - (typically) Application Due June 15

Director Reports in

General Manager/Ice (Raguckas):

- Practice Schedule to be shared with coaches & TMs tomorrow
- Jim set up teams in SE today
- Ice schedule will be tighter than years past due to addition of curling

Coaching Commissioner (Ala):

- Bill Zalba "Get to know you" hockey camp - Aaron to connect Bill & Mitch to discuss timing
- Dave Desander Extravaganza - Rams-sponsored goalie camp on Sept. 8
- LTP: Mitch Parsons pretty much confirmed

Treasurer (Klein):

- Budget set

Registrar (NATE):

- Board Roster - Background check, Safe Sport and USA hockey
- LTS/LTP - must be treated as a roster and "claimed"

Secretary/Marketing (Mandy):

- Summer Kickoff Picnic - July 30 4:00-6:00
 - Hot Dogs, Chips & Cookies



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- Mandy & Jim to align on who is purchasing what
 - Jim to do grilling
- Team Pictures - Oct 9-11; Mandy to post some info at the Kickoff Picnic
- Cornhole tournament
 - Board to revisit as perhaps and end of school event in June
 - RHS Sports Boosters had over 100 teams participate!!! Wondering about this as some sort of fundraiser separate from scholarship fund?

Members at Large:

- Alles:
 - Going to look at website for updating and improving information
 - Adray Rep: Steve has been nominated and approved; Steve accepts
 - Bri Wallin would certainly help download
- Bjork: Alex investigating a Cancer Awareness Fundraiser; working with a Susan B. Coleman rep
- Karczewski:

Director of Hockey Operations: Bill Zalba

Meeting adjournment @ 10:27

Tawni Brouwer, President
Jim Raguckas, General Manager
Richard Klein, Treasurer
Mandy DeVries, Secretary
Aaron Ala, Coaching Commissioner
Nate Spahn, Registrar
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