



ANOKA AREA HOCKEY ASSOCIATION



MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

Monday July 31st, 2023

Motion to call meeting to order: 7 pm by Tom Chrest

Minutes taken by: Becca Patrick

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Members present: Tom Chrest, Mike Hanson, Mark Rice, Melissa Thalín, Jay Wagamon, Mike Schouviller, Cory Schmidt, TJ Lyon, Matt Satzinger, Audra Wander, Becca Patrick, Jason Lindberg, Ashley Christensen

Ancillary members present: Brandon Rykkeli, Kim Brotkowksi, Stephanie Reichow, Simone Schara

Members absent: Joe Super

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Next board meeting: Monday August 28th, 2023

Guests present: Brian Pender, JP West

Motion to adjourn meeting: Motion to adjourn at 10:05 pm

APPROVE MINUTES

New business:

- ~~PD Charity game donation~~
- ~~Checking clinic registration details~~
- ~~Rock the Rink Update (who can help?)~~
- ~~Brian Pender - F5 update~~

F5 update from Brian Pender - Numbers were up at all levels. Coaches received great feedback. Attendance was steady among all groups from mites up to bantams. Recommendation for next year: pair U10 with U12 and move U15 to train with high school.

Minutes from last month - motion to approve by Mark second by Matt. Approved unanimously.

Checking clinic registration to open - \$30 with Francisco

Rock the rink: shirts will be printed in advance. No year on shirts.

Motion to donate \$1000 to the Anoka/Ramsey PD police fund. Motion by Becca, second by Ashley. All in favor. Motion passes.

Table PCA discussion until next meeting

ANCILLARY MEMBERS REPORT

Gambling Report/Gaming Committee Report (Simone Schara)

Motion to approve request to order business cards to hand out for charitable gambling purposes, motion by Jay, second by Melissa. Approved unanimously.

Motion to approve last months gambling report - motion by Audra, second by Mark. approved.

Motion to approve \$130K in gambling expenditures, motion by Audra, second by Mike. approved.

Ice Schedulers Report (Brandon Rykkeli)

Ice allocation received. Preskate ice done.

Registrar's Report (Stephanie Reichow)

Board members need to register/background/Safesport

Treasurer & Finance Manager's Report (Kim Brotkowski)

Motion to approve finance managers report, motion by TJ, second by Matt. Approved. Past due balances need to be paid before preskates this year for players who still owe.

D10 & President's Report (Tom Chrest)

Meeting moved to August 7th

Traveling / Boys (TJ Lyon)

Tournaments all signed up for boys. Coaches interviews for Wednesday.

Traveling / Girls (Matt Satzinger)

Coaches interviews later this month. Jerseys ordered for girls.

Mites (Jay Wagamon)

Figured out max preferred team size. Signed up half of C & D teams and U8 Girls team to Elk River Jamboree. Sent out different options for kids to skate during the summer and fall before the season begins.

Tournaments (Cory Schmidt)

Contacted Ramsey FD to begin coordinating EMT presence for the tournaments. Continuing to reach out to outside associations to fill the remaining 3 girls tournament slots. Contacted and waiting on sterling

trophy for quotes for similar trophies to last year for budget estimates for board approval as cost will likely increase. Board email with player giveaway ideas are anticipated to be emailed out in the next week or two for board feedback. No budget approval items for the July meeting.

Recruitment & Retention (Ashley Christensen)

Try Hockey for Free went well. Emailed all participants with registration links for Fall and Mini Cyclones.

Equipment & Facilities (Joe Super)

Emailed update: "Review of 2023-2024 uniform style and colors. Style and sizing have been finalized, based on jersey fittings during F5. Requested alteration to home jersey proof (color correction) Inventoried new goalie equipment. Will be reaching out to goalie families for upcoming season additions/replacements, etc

Working to fix/adjust main dryland door to ensure proper closing/locking

Request to add 2nd FOB system in Rink 2 --> Dryland room was denied by Bob (security concerns). Will continue to work with rink to see if a compromise is possible

Finalizing design for hospitality room AV upgrade. Proposing the following: podium with touch panel surface (built-in PC), fixed/motorized projection screen on West-facing wall, ceiling mounted projector, AV wall plate for additional HDMI inputs. Costs should be less than \$500

Fundraising & Communications (Melissa Thalin)

Emails sent: 1. Help us Socialize Try Hockey for Free (6/30), 2. DIB hours for Try Hockey For Free (7/2), 3. Coaches - Early Bird Level 2 USA Hockey Virtual Coaches Clinic (7/5), 4. Open Skate Options for Mite families (7/14), 5. Save-the-Date for Rock the Rink (7/14), 6. Anoka-Rogers Mid Summer Update (7/17), 7. Pre-Season Fall Skate Opportunities (7/17), 8. Fall Cyclones and Mini Cyclones Registration is Now Open (7/20)

Fundraising: 1. Designed/printed/received 50/50 Raffle ticket for RTR, 2. Designed 2024 Calendar Raffle, 3. Received quote for 2024 Calendar Raffle, 4. Worked with hockey mom Kris Olson to get a photo for the 2024 Calendar Raffle, 5. Confirmed cotton candy vendor for RTR, 6. Attended RTR committee meeting, 7. Reached out to SKATE regarding connecting on some fundraising ideas

Player Development (Jason Lindberg)

Tentatively moving forward with FHIT and PEP. 7 FHIT, 6 PEP, 5 powerskating nights.

Tryouts (Mark Rice)

Completed Updates to the tryout packet based on June meeting.

Tryout packet finalization: Motion to finalize tryout packet as is, motion by Mike, second by TJ.

3 opposed, the rest is in favor, motion passes. Conversation to change tryouts for 2024 will begin later in the year.

Volunteers (Mike Schouviller)

Dibs were posted for all three Try Hockey For Free events. All volunteers were present and their Dibs hours were credited to them. Additional people helped Ashley with Try Hockey for Free and their Dibs have been recorded but not credited yet.