



RIVER FALLS YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

January 2021 Agenda

DATE: Wednesday, January 13, 2021

LOCATION: Wildcat Centre

Attendance: Kevin Hare, Jody Christensen, Catherine White, Kaylan Wilson, Kristin Jepson, Carrie Torgerson, Paul Bloodhart, John Linehan, Frank Linn

Absent: Nicole Ralston,

Meeting called to order at 6:02pm

AGENDA

1. **Welcome, Intro, Agenda Review** Wilson

2. **Consent Items** (All can be approved in one motion, unless an item is removed by a board member for further discussion) Wilson

A. Agenda Approval

- a. **Action Item:**
- b. Approve Agenda and any supplementary
- c. Materials;

B. Approval of Minutes

- a. **Action Item:** Approve meeting minutes from past month.

Motion made to approve all consent items by Jody, seconded by John. All in favor.

3. **Guest Comments** Guests

- Neil Accola was present

4. **External Relations/Advertising** Williamson

- Collected emails and sent invoices for advertising today 1/13.
- What should be on the "Coaches Corner?" Some other associations have skill drills. Think it over during the off-season. - Assigned to Kevin
- Live Barn - now that rentals are over, Live Barn is always on. If it goes silent overnight, motion will kick it back on. Need to block out for HS practice.

5. **Hockey Operations - On Ice** Hare

- Rescheduling MAHA games
 - i. Guidance to head coaches and managers was play as much as you can. Now that D2 is coming back, there have been a lot of questions.
 1. The games and tournaments were scheduled in place of MAHA are fine, but don't schedule anything else.

- a. Most teams are at their max.
- 2. If there's ice available, schedule a game as long as it doesn't conflict with a practice.
 - a. If it is a practice night, don't schedule a game.
- ii. If the season extends, play the games as long as they don't conflict with play downs or tournaments.
- iii. Practice time is important this time of year. The teams are in their final push of the season.
- iv. MAHA season extension to March 9th. MAHA state hockey tournament end of March.
 - 1. This should not impact our projected ice-out date.

6. Hockey Operations - Off Ice

Christensen

- Equipment/Jerseys/Logo
 - o Have 1 quote from the place that Jessica Rapple and Hudson teams get jerseys. Set of sublimated jerseys \$20.50/jersey. Socks are \$10/pair. Guy is in Pakistan. Will only accept payment via Zelle. He is very easy to work with.
 - o Blackcats are getting new jerseys. Decision has not yet been made if each skater is going to buy their own. They are going through JOG. Waiting on a quote through them as well.
 - o Back of jersey - should the player name or "Wildcats" be on the back? We need to order jerseys 4 - 6 weeks before the season starts. If a skater starts late, his/her name wouldn't be able to go on the jersey.
 - o Have permission to use RFHS Wildcat logo.
 - Motion to vote on using RFHS Wildcat logo: John
 - Seconded: Kevin
 - All in favor
 - o Raise registration fees to cover the cost of jerseys? How could we make the registration cost equal for boys and girls?
 - o Need to have a sample at the rink for people to try on.
 - o What to do with the old jerseys? Sell them.
 - o Kevin made motion for parents to buy jerseys and socks. John seconded. All in favor.
 - Jody and Kristin to form a committee.
 - Kaylan to reach out to Kallie at River City Stitch to get a copy of the version of the logo she used on hats this year.
- Ice Schedule
- Referee Coordinators
- Registrar
- Team Managers
 - o Should be full hours for 2020/2021.
 - Frank Linn, seconded John. All in favor.
- Tournaments
 - o All are full. We are hosting girl's HS sectional final Feb 13th, 2 - 4 pm.
 - Going to limit tickets. Let visiting team parents in. Hosting regardless of whether Fusion gets in.
 - o Concessions were very successful this past weekend.
 - o Biggest tournaments are coming up starting this weekend. Everything is on DIBs.
 - o FatBoys Tournament is happening.

- o Midget Tournament. Initial idea was more of a high school JV tournament. MN and WI are getting shorted on season. U16 and U18 teams. 1.5 months of normal hockey season that the high school kids aren't going to get to play. U16 and U18. Jody to call Mike Marsala. \$1500/team with 3 game guarantee.
 - March 26 - 28
- DIBS and Service Hours
 - o 2 extra tournaments, now 3. Should be enough for everyone to get their hours.
- Locker room scheduler put on monitor that no locker rooms are available for D2 games.

7. Building Events

White

8. Financial Operations

Flanagan

- Financial packet
- Projected down \$24k last month. Only at -\$8,600 now
- \$33k from rentals
- Concessions are starting to pick up.
- Income changes +\$9,000
 - i. Pizza \$3k, registration \$3k, and rentals \$3k (\$5k more than predicted)
 - ii. Dasher boards were -\$2k
- Schools are letting outside groups in, so we likely won't get the summer training group in this year.
- Rental opportunities for next hockey season during the day? Reach out to those groups to advertise the opportunity to rent here again.

9. Fundraising

Jepson

- A few families still owe pizza money.
- Raffle money is starting to come in.
- Still going to do the ice out bash, but not planning yet.

10. Building Operations

Bloodhart

- New timer for lights outside. Will get installed this weekend. Able to work the parking lot lights and the outdoor rink lights. The new timer is digital and can be locked if necessary.
- Compressor 3 was worked on. 4 was acting funny.

11. Member Engagement Retention Recruitment

Wilson

- All new members were contacted.
- Kraft Hockeyville - working on application for the equipment. It's an extended process. Has 2 of 3 letters of recommendation. Need financial information. Online application that has to be filled out.
- Succession planning - Jess Brunkhorst has been working on a document that outlines what certain jobs do. Paul, Kevin, Carrie, and Chris' board positions are open. Call Kaylan and let her know what you're thinking.
 - Need to set date for annual meeting.
 - April 14th
 - Bios due 3/14 - send out call for bios in February

12. Girls Coaching Committee

Swanson

- No update

13. Other Business

Wilson

- COVID Updates
 - No quarantines for teams in a month or so.
- Succession Planning

Motion to adjourn: John. Second: Jody

2020-2021 Calendar - Key Dates

December 9th, 2020 Board Meeting – 6 pm

December 12 -13, 2020 Mite Extravaganza

January 8-10th, 2021 Peewee B/C Tournament

January 13th, 2021 Board Meeting – 6 pm

January 15-17, 2021 Peewee A/B Tournament

January 22-24th, 2021 Squirt A/B/C Tournament

February 5th-7th, 2021 Bantam B/C

February 10th, 2121 Board Meeting – 6 pm

February 19-21st, 2021 Bantam A/B Tournament

February 27th, 2021 Mites End of Year Party

March 10th, 2021 Board Meeting – 6 pm

April 14th, 2021 Board Meeting – 6 pm

May 12th, 2021 Board Meeting – 6 pm