

Everest Youth Hockey
Board Meeting
October 8th 2008 6:30 PM

Members Present: Ryan Berdal, Lonny Techel, Tom Jasurda, Jeff Dennis, Bernie Begley, Todd Ress, Mike Wasmundt, Pete Jaglinski, Jim Kachel, Barb Schubring, and Bob Schmitt, Jac Du Vair, Lisa True

Members Absent: Kent Lodholz

Secretary report: Tom Jasurda motioned and Lisa True seconded the motion to approve the September minutes, motion was approved.

Storm Report: Mike Reddell from Mosinee provided history on the Storm program. When the program was first started, Mosinee and EYH had the majority of the players. Today, Wausau has the highest percentage of players. Concern that numbers are dropping off at a high rate in the younger program.

(Mike was proposing an all girl team for an in-house team. To play in the in-house league that the three associations have.) Suggestion is that all girls be given the options to skate with boys or go to a girl's only program. They are looking for one practice a week, two out of three weeks at the Greenheck center. Ice time is an issue that will need to be addressed.

Motion was made by Ryan B and seconded by Lisa to accept the mite in-house girl's team with the understanding that ice time may not be granted when "wanted" and girls still have option of skating on boy's team. Motion was approved.

Mike Confirmed that EYH will roster a U10 team this year. The program will be split between the three rinks again this year.

Wausau/Central WI Visitor Bureau: Richard J Barrett spoke on how they can help improve hockey and every other sport in the Central WI Area. They can help with how we sell the facility, and want to help us put on tournaments. They will help with hotels and a grant program to get dollars to help support the cost of tournaments, promotion, and facility usage. Eric will work with this group on funding and support for our tournaments including possibly finding some workers to help.

Coaches Handbook: Jac presented the 2008/09 coaches handbook that covers drills, skills, sample practices and other info for the coaches to use. Each coach will be given a copy and a copy will be placed on the website.

EYH Handbook: A few items in the handbook needed to be changed regarding the new value program, tryouts, and coach section. A motion was made by Barb S. that changes be made to the handbook to incorporate these changes and seconded by Mike W. Motion passed.

Midget Program: Jac reported that he plans to have this team set by Nov 14th and expects to make a number of cuts. Pete J. will work with the Ice Hawk program to create a packet of material that Jac will give the kids so that they have an option to play hockey. Note: the first game of the Ice hawk program is Nov. 14th.

Values Program: At the last meeting, a new program was approved where players are required to perform at least one charitable act. This charitable act replaces the bleacher clean up program and is a requirement for each team in order for the team to receive dollars for tournaments. EYH will be providing each EYH registered team with \$500 toward tournament fees once all members of the team complete their charitable act and the manager turns in the form.

Pete Jaglinski presented wording that will be added to the handbook, a motion was made by Mike W. to approve this wording and seconded by Barb S. Motion passed.

Treasurers Report: Tom Jasurda presented the treasurers report. Barb S. motioned to approve, seconded by Ryan B. motioned carried.

The Stars for Tomorrow camp pricing was discussed. Mike W. and Bernie are aware of the pricing issue and the fact that the goal is to cover our cost and not a fundraiser. Joe B. who attended the meeting offered to help with the program for 2009. Mike and Bernie are aware of his offer.

Register Report: no new issues to report. Mini Mite program is rolling with 44 kids registered.

Webmaster Report: Lisa has created a secure spot on the website where committees can save meeting notes, forms, and other documents used so that in future years these can be referenced. Lisa asked that each head of the committees contact her to set up access as needed.

Trophy Case: Lonny & Eric presented a cabinet proposal and layout. The cabinet will have gold stained wood with green trim. Eric has a theme that he will use to help promote the cabinet as he gets donations to help cover the cost.

If you build it, they will fill it.

There continues to be an ongoing issue on how to incorporate the original builder. As a solution, Kevin Blom was asked to present an option to include an estimated cost. Kevin did not show up at the meeting. Mike W. made a motion to move forward with the proposal Eric made for the cabinet and fundraising to cover the cost. Lisa T seconded and the motion passed.

Lonny reported that he needs to work out details with the AAA team as we move forward.

Mite Report: Letters are being sent to the families as they sign up for the program. Date and plans are set for the kick off and equipment hand out. Suggestion was made to have older kids help show the kids how to get dressed and help with early practices.

Ace Committee Mike reported that at the first practice a Mite had an injury, a broken collarbone. This incident showed the need to set a procedure on how to address coaches, parents, and overall safety, so similar issues can be avoided when possible. Lisa T will put together a plan on how we identify these incidents and address them.

Referee Report: Ryan reported that he would have a clinic in early November to train the referees.

Scheduler Report: Bernie will post all games for the entire year. The Bantam program was asked to play a game on 10/25 against Appleton. A motion was made by Bernie and seconded by Jim K to allow the Bantams to play this game, motion was approved.

Sponsorship Committee report: Barb reported that they are over \$20K and feel that they can make the budget number.

Fundraising committee: The date for the main event is now set, February 28th. The location will be Bull Shooters.

Two issues were raised and both were tabled:

Why all three-fund raisers are required, people would like to pick as long as they were able to raise the total dollars needed.

Does committee work count toward the service hours that each family needs to do?

Equipment Manager Report: Jim showed the new Mini Mite Jerseys and the equipment from USA Hockey that is now in. Discussion took place on an equipment swap meet, all agreed that this was a good idea but no details were set.

Tournament Committee report: Invitations to teams in Northern IL and MN have been sent. Eric requested approval for the tournament committee to start spending funds for equipment, signs, and others things needed. Approval was given by the board.

Madalyn Janke: The family has approved a design and the badges will be created. Target is get these to the managers by 10-28-08.

Badger State: The Badger State Games has approached EYH asking if we would host the Pee Wee A's and the Squirt A's at the Greenheck Center. Concerns were raised on hours and help, concession stand and the ability to make money. Lonny agreed to take this and work on this to see what the opportunity is.

Other: Lonny reported that Greenheck has given us the display board on the lower level. A group will work on the board. It was noted that the display area in the main level is still open.

Next meeting December 10th at 6:30 in room 209.