

**Two Harbors Youth Hockey
Regular Meeting
January 12, 2009**

Board Members Present:

Roger Schramm, Sandy Nordean, Greg Swanson, Greg Nordean, Doreen Johnson and Shelli Swanson.

Other Members Present:

Todd Hanson, Steve Wasko, Jesse Lundgren, Greg Anderson, Tanya Peterson and Brad Johnson.

Secretary Report: The Minutes from the December meeting were distributed. Greg Swanson made a motion to approve; seconded by Steve Wasko; passed.

Treasurer's Report: Accounting report was provided. Our CD is up for renewal again and it was decided to roll it over for another year. Ice fees for November haven't been paid yet. Sales tax of over \$1000 has been paid. Candy bar money is mostly accounted for; individuals will now be contacted. There are a few items left over from the candle fundraiser that can be sold; check with Shelli if you are interested in purchasing a candle and/or air freshener.

Gambling Manager's Report:

Gross receipts for December - \$	32,058.00
Net Receipts -	4242.00
Net Profit -	107.51

The UMD Women's lacrosse team is looking for a donation, as well as Duluth Area Special Olympics.

Preapproval of expenditures from the Gambling Fund up to the following amounts was made and granted:

- \$500 for miscellaneous
- 4000 for rent
- 2000 for payroll
- 5000 for inventory

Arena Manager's Report:

Jesse reports the ice is looking "like glass." Building maintenance - a new sign went up today. Ad panel invoices and invoices to the school district have been sent out. Ice fees for December were \$8075.

Back rinks looks pretty good. Mike Fitzpatrick and Nik Dallos are running the back rinks and warming shack.

Tournament Director's Report: Two big tournaments were recently held: PeeWee and

Bantams. PeeWee tournament went well, no problems. Bantam tournament also went well, but there were some complaints because there were only 7 teams and some teams didn't like the elimination. Squirt B is coming up next week. The time clock and penalty box time slots were all filled.

A.C.E. Coordinator's Report: All coaches certificates have been updated. If the coaches haven't been reimbursed for those classes, submit your information to Shelli Swanson. Power skating practice has been going well, with at least 10 to 15 minutes devoted to each practice just for that. Squirt A program is going well with the kids improving all the time. Some of the coaches would like to see PeeWee A (two teams) next season. Also continue with a Squirt A and Squirt B team for next season. These will be discussed at the next coaches meeting.

Bantam numbers for next three seasons were discussed at length. We will sit down with the Silver Bay coach and find out roughly how many of their players will be playing Bantams next year and how many second year may be moved to junior varsity. The big question is what to do next year; the following two years will need to be combined at the Bantam level. Greg Swanson will call Wade LeBlanc and set up a meeting to discuss this matter in person.

Concession Stand Report: There have been some issues with the concession stand either not being opened early enough or people not showing up for their shifts. The sign-up sheets will be removed 24 hours before an event and if you are signed up and can't make your shift, you are responsible to find someone to cover your shift.

Old Business

New Business

Russ Conrow and the County Board feel having a defibrillator on site could be a liability. Scott Ross will look into providing one that could be used for players, coaches and Arena staff. Russ Conrow is looking into the issue further.

Back rinks: we've received some complaints about the back rink and the warming shack not being opened. The city will only provide a person for so many hours and kids can still skate, but the shack will not be opened. It was suggested that we just fill in when the city can't man the warming shack. Greg will try to attend the rec board meeting to discuss this suggestion with them.

Volunteer hours are looking pretty good; however, there are still many people with no hours registered.

The winter festival and parade is February 6 and THYH will participate again this year. Bethlehem Lutheran Church will be the starting point, beginning at 6 p.m. Jesse sold ice time and we donated ice time for open skating during the festival. Times are 6 - 8 p.m. Friday for an open house. Hot chocolate will be provided for free. Saturday is boot hockey on the back rink beginning at 10 a.m. The concession stand will be open from

9 - 6 on Saturday. An add will be put in the Chronicle.

In an effort to get kids practicing on their own, we are offering an incentive: Rink rat t-shirts will be given to those kids that put in 20 hours by the end of February and turn in a completed form. Greg will print up the forms and get them to the coaches. The person with the most time will get an additional prize.

On February 14 the TH varsity game is scheduled for home. It was suggested that all THYH players come to the varsity game wearing their hockey jerseys. As much participation as possible would be appreciated. Parent's night is Feb. 12 and the mini mites will distribute flowers to the parents again this year. The Lake Bank will provide the cake. PeeWee's provide the flowers and organize the distribution of the flowers.

Silver Bay is having their summer hockey camp next summer. Anyone interested should contact Silver Bay personnel or see the flyer posted in the front lobby.

More uniforms for the Squirts were ordered and the wrong ones were delivered. New ones would be another two weeks and it was determined to send them back and have them corrected.

Elections are in March. Secretary, Treasurer (2), President, Tournament Director positions are all open.

Motion made to adjourn the meeting by Doreen and seconded by Sandy.