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**McFarland Youth Hockey Association  
FALL MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
Location: McFarland Public Library  
Wednesday, September 16, 2009 – 6:30 PM**

**Call to Order:** 6:32 p.m.

**Present:** Jeff Engelkes, Dean Gille, Sarah Jungbluth, Louise Luessman, Joe Mazzara, Tom Moore, Steve Newcomer, Jared Redders, Jason Ruggles, Kelly Schmaltz, Tom Siesennop, Troy Sjodin

**Absent:** NONE

**President's Report**

**INTRODUCTIONS**

Tom Siesennop thanked members for attending the Fall Meeting. Each Board Member introduced themselves and stated the level of their skater(s). Tom S. then asked all members in attendance to introduce themselves and also state the level of their skater(s).

Tom S. introduced our new board member, Steve Newcomer, (he replaced Dan Koch – who resigned when his family moved from the area). Jason Ruggles replaced Dan on the coaches committee as a Board Representative.

A brief overview was then provided regarding the Golf Outing, Day at the Rink as well as Summer Hockey. Weather was excellent at both the Golf Outing and Day at the Rink, which definitely helped fundraising efforts. We have good ideas from Summer Hockey to build upon for next year- and this year was seen as a success as well!!

## **WAHA / REGION 4 REPORT**

**Division Status:** McFarland met with WAHA in May 2009, in a review of our Division Status. They agreed to keep allow McFarland to stay "Division 1", and we were awarded the 2011 State Tourney for Pee wee 2A. The State Tourney will be held March 12-13, 2011.

**Youth Service Day:** MYHA held a Youth Service Day, in conjunction with Region 4, on September 13, 2009. Tom S. thanked all members from McFarland that participated, for picking up garbage at the McFarland Park (near the ice rink), Lewis Park and McDaniel Park.

## **OTHER MYHA NEWS**

**Important Dates:** Walk-In Registration will be held at the McFarland Community Ice Rink on September 21<sup>st</sup> and September 24<sup>th</sup>. Ace Camp will be held the week of Oct 5<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> and the Placement process will be held Oct 12<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Jr. Ice Bergs:** MYHA agreed to support skaters wanting to participate on the Girl's U14 team. Skaters interested will register with MYHA and be subject to all other membership requirements as if they were on a MYHA team. At the end of the season, MYHA will be invoiced for their pro-rated portion based on the number of skaters from McFarland.

**Open Skating:** As follow-up to our August Board Meeting, Tom S. explained that we met with Mike Harried, Village President, and open skating may be available this winter – through a partnership with MYHA and the Village. More details to come as they are available.

## **Secretary's Report**

Kelly Schmaltz presented the minutes from the Spring 2009 Membership Meeting. Tracy Spilde moved to approve the minutes, and Troy Sjodin seconded that motion. The motion passed unanimously.

## **Treasurer's Report**

Louise Luessman presented the financials for the 2008-2009 Season and the 2009-2010 Budget. She explained the new format, which was much easier for review. Jason Ruggles moved to approve the budget and Troy Sjodin seconded that motion. The Budget for 2009-2010 was approved unanimously.

## **ACE COORDINATOR REPORT – Jared Redders**

Jared discussed the placement process, explaining that there was going to be “no change” in scoring or evaluations. He said that he may change a few of the drills from what had been seen in the past.

Anticipated Team Sizes: Bantam (14-15); Pee wee (23); Squirt (24); Mite (11)

New equipment purchased for training: Slide boards, 3' x 2' mini-nets, Cones, Ricochets', Practice Jerseys for Bantam 1, Pee wee 1.

## **McFARLAND BOOSTERS / HOCKEY INC. – Dave Hinrichs**

Boosters: Due to the removal of the NFL raffle sales, Boosters will not be able to subsidize ice fees for Ice Mites/L2S anymore. They will continue to assist with equipment. In addition, the Boosters will take over the Squirt Spectacular tournament and may look to holding an Adult Tournament. Boosters also offer a scholarship for a high school senior.

Hockey Inc.: Dave commented on a few upgrades to the rink over the summer and complimented MYHA and the membership for keeping the rink in great condition.

## **NEW POLICIES**

Age Level Directors: MYHA decided to dissolve the ALD positions, as it was hard for McFarland to get the full benefit of each position due to the size of our organization. A new committee has been created – DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE headed up by Clark Luessman. Clark is a principal at Sun Prairie, as well as the Assistant Commissioner for the Badger Conference. The Board feels that his experience in these areas makes him an excellent choice to serve our organization in this capacity and we are pleased to have him.

It is our hope that the Discipline Committee will allow our membership to have an efficient way to handle problems or issues that may arise.

### **Motion to Adjourn**

*Motion made by Dean Gille and seconded by Jason Ruggles to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 PM. The motion passed unanimously.*

### **Next Board Meeting:**

The next board meeting will be held Tuesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, at 6:00 PM.

Location: Green Lantern.