

December 2009 Board Meeting

Meeting called to order at 6:34pm by Brian Kindle.

Members present at the meeting were Brian Kindle, Jim Klemencic, David Timm, Kathy Diedrick, Randy Hofer, Bill Zipp, Karla Revolinsky, Kelly Champ, Scott Wenger and Eric Berg.

A motion was made by Scott Wenger to approve minutes from the November meeting. Seconded by Jim Klemencic. Motion approved.

President – Brian Kindle

The board position of “Secretary” is becoming an open board position and all interested DYHA members can send a letter of interest to Kathy Diedrick at dpyhassoc@yahoo.com. DYHA is also looking to find an individual to become the DYHA “Webmaster”. All interested DYHA members can send a letter of interest to Kathy Diedrick at dpyhassoc@yahoo.com.

In the month of November two separate meetings took place that I was unable to attend due to prior engagements. The first of the two meetings was the De Pere Ice and Recreational Center “Users Group” meeting. I would like to thank Bill Zipp for being in attendance at this meeting as a representative of DYHA. Bill can touch on the high points of this meeting during his “Schedulers” report if he so chooses. The second meeting was the Region 3 meeting held at the Cornerstone Ice Center. I would like to thank David Timm for being in attendance at this meeting as a representative of DYHA. David has information from this meeting concerning the WEHL program and will be discussing this information during the “Old Business” portion of this meeting.

Next, I would like to speak briefly on the topic of the WAHA High School team, or actually, the existence of this team. As WAHA High School teams all around this association were folding and giving up on their existence, this team survived because of the tireless efforts of one individual, David Timm. I would like to give David a huge thank you for his efforts there by giving these kids a place to skate during their high school years.

Finally, I would like to wish the members of DYHA, the coaching staff, team representatives, parents, players and this board a very happy, healthy and safe holiday season.

Vice-President – Jim Klemencic

Jim has been observing team practices and has found many of the coaches running good practices and good use of the ice time. Jim had contacted a few coaches and met with them as needed to help them better plan their practices and time on the ice. Jim has watched games at all levels and believes all the teams are coming along nicely.

Mite Committee: The committee met this month and finalized the cross ice program. The Team Managers for the Mite teams will need to work with Bill Zipp to schedule games for their teams.

Treasurer – Eric Berg

Cash Balance as of November 30th, 2009

Checking account, Bank Mutual	\$ 19,201.00
Savings account, Bank Mutual	\$53,861.41
Certificate of Deposit	\$
Total Cash available	\$73,086.41

HS WIAA Checking account	\$3,071.66
HS WIAA Savings account	\$7,738.26
HS Petty Cash	\$0.00
Total HS Cash available	\$10,809.92

Outstanding Checks: Ice for December is \$14,538.50

Eric and Scott Wenger will be setting up a day to collect the fees from the WAHA high school players.

The Mite A players have been invoiced and Eric is in the process of collecting from the few families who did not pay at tryouts.

Also, there is a spot open on the Finance Committee, if anyone is interested in joining the committee please contact Eric Berg at sberg6@new.rr.com.

Secretary – Kathy Diedrick

The Communication Committee: Met in the month November – discussed the HIP Fun Night and the plans for this night.

Picture Night: Picture night is tonight, December 2nd and Thursday, December 3rd. Proofs should be mailed and emailed within the next 7 days. If you have not received your proofs, please contact Kathy Diedrick @ dphassoc@yahoo.com.

Registrar – Scott Wenger

Roster update: the team rosters will be done by next week.

Annotation of Birth facts: Many of the teams are completed, but there are still a few that are needed to complete the process.

Team Folders: the team folders are being handed out as the team's paperwork is completed.

WAHA HS team: the players have been contacted to make them aware of registration and birth certificate night, which will be Thursday, December 10th at 9:30pm. Currently the WAHA HS team is registered as a high school team for the state tournament.

HIP Registration: It is noted the HIP registration process that was handled by Kathy Diedrick has now been turned over to the Registrar for future years.

Scheduler – Bill Zipp

DePere Ice Arena User Group advisory meeting: DYH, GB figure skaters and Ice Time management were all represented at this meeting. Per Bill this meeting went well. Ice Time Management reports there is approximately \$500,000 of upgrades in the facilities and equipment needed.

Bill reports scheduling has been interesting thus year. He is spending significant time working through it all. The majority of the teams have registered for 2 tournaments and schedules reflect the tournaments. The Bantam A team is still working on finding a second tournament.

Ace Coordinator - Kelly Champ

Coaches meeting: The Coaches had met last week; while it was not well attended it did go well. At this meeting the Caches discussed concepts and practice planning. This group also reviewed the tryout process and gave their feedback in regards to the process. Those in attendance agreed the tryouts went well, but possible make changes to the Mite level for next year. This same group discussed the skill sessions that were held on the weekends leading up to the start of the teams games. It was suggested to have skill sessions start a little earlier next year, possibly having them lead into tryouts and look into the goalie sessions as to whether the goalies are needed at the goalie session and the player session. They would like to see the skill sessions be communicated to parents and players as mandatory sessions, just as practices are for the teams.

Volunteers: Kelly has had high school players ask to help with teams of younger players. Kelly has been placing these players with teams who can utilize the players during their practices.

There is an individual from Canada who played as a goalie, who helped out with the goalie sessions and is offering his help to any team.

Practices: Kelly has been checking out team practices. He has some concerns about practice planning and making sure the plans and ideas are communicated to the assistant coaches so that the practices run smoothly Kelly has asked the coaches, when practice planning to reach out to the coaches group for ideas and feedback to help with their planning.

Tournament Director – Karla

Squirt B tournament was cancelled due to the lack of teams registered.

Bantam tournament - currently there is only one team registered. Karla will be contacting teams via email and phone to promote interest and find teams to register for the tournament.

Equipment – Randy Hofer

Captain letters are available for teams that need them, contact randy to obtain them.

WAHA youth players starter equipment set: Randy is looking into starter sets for the beginner player and getting info out to parents letting them know this is available for approximately \$70.00 Randy to get more info on this.

HS Liaison – David Timm

WIAA – the next WIAA committee meeting will be held on December 14th at 6:30 pm. The committee met in November. The WIAA souvenir program is coming along well and will be a great fundraiser for the program. Apparel will be sold at most home games. We are still looking for an announcer for JV games. Students will be singing the National Anthem at the home games and will be paid \$20.00 for their performance.

Mentor program – David continues to work with coaches on this program.

Locker Room: The SNC locker room will be available to all WIAA HS players throughout the season starting on December 7th.

David had budgeted for 40 players and currently they have 36 players. There could be a \$3500 budget shortfall, but this will be made up in gate fees and other fundraising, etc.

The video equipment that was purchased for Coach Dutkowski was used in the first game.

Bridget Kulick and Micki Klemencic are helping out with communication with the JV & Varsity parents.

WAHA- currently there are 12 to 13 players and they have a schedule of 20-25 games and a possible second tournament. Holly Lehmann has offered to be the Team Manager. After some hard work on behalf of David Timm the team has come together well.

Old Business:

Lobbying WAHA/WEHL to expand the before team concept – David attended the region 3 meeting. He stated at this meeting there was lot of talk about the girl's national tournament being hosted by Green Bay and Green Bay continues to look for volunteers to help with these games. DYH is way ahead of most organizations with implementing the Annotation of Birth facts process. David had asked the organizations in attendance at the meeting how they felt about WAHA expanding the WEHL program and all agreed WAHA should expand the program. Mary Ann Robinson was asked to report back to the associations on where this could possibly go.

WEHL is an independent organization that is supported by WAHA. It is currently open to U14 players and up. This program promotes improving skill levels of players.

New Business:

No new business.

David Timm made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Scott Wenger. Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Next board meeting:

Wednesday, January 6th, 2010 at 6:00 pm
DePere Ice Rink - Upstairs