

North Branch Mite Committee

Monthly Meeting Minutes

January 7, 2010

Meeting was called to order at 7:05pm.

Committee Members Present: Tim Hink, Ray Croal, Lisa Isaacson, Anne Meyer, Mike Whiting, Cherie Turek

Winter Learn to Skate

- The first session of the “Winter Learn to Skate” was canceled due to cold weather conditions with wind chills being below zero degrees.
- The next session of the “Winter Learn to Skate” is scheduled for January 22nd. More information will be provided at this session on the rescheduled date for the canceled session.

Mite Open Hockey

- These sessions are free to all Mite hockey players that are already registered with the North Branch Area Hockey Association.
- All four (4) sessions will follow the “Winter Learn to Skate” sessions from 7-8pm at the North Branch Shack (outdoor ice arena south of the High School).

Hockey Association Comparison

Many members provided written documentation on how other hockey associations are organized. Comparison discussions included the following topics.

- Costs
- Ice Time
- Ratio of games to practices
- Shared ice
- Evaluation Process
- Program start dates

Differences between the North Branch Area Hockey Association and others include the following.

- North Branch program has lower costs per player
- North Branch has less ice time and therefore has fewer practices and games

Similarities between the North Branch Area Hockey Association and others include the following.

- Shared Ice
- Fundraisers

Growth in Mite Program

- Approximately 101 mites registered last year
- Program has grown 30% in the last 2 years
- Only lost 8 players from last year
- First year to have a girls 8U team

Tim Hink collected all the information gathered from the Mite Committee Members. He will compile all this information and paraphrase it into a single document. This information will be provided at the next meeting scheduled for February 4th at 7:00pm.

Meeting ended at 8:20pm