



Eagle Talk

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Submitted by Otis Woods

Happy Winter everyone! I hope your teams are having fun and celebrating the teams' successes, as you define them. This is my final report as President of the Board for Southwest Hockey Association, and is the most difficult one I will have written. It has been a pleasure to serve in this role for the last four years, as well as serving on the board prior to becoming President. I encourage anyone interested to serve on the Board, especially this upcoming year, as there will be significant turnover this year, as many of the current board members have older children who have gone onto high school or are no longer skating at Southwest.

In this edition of the President's Report, I will also provide information on the Annual Meeting to be held in April, but discuss some issues that have surfaced during this season, many of which will need to be addressed on a going-forward basis.

Note Date
Change to
Tuesday
April 13th

2010 Annual Meeting – April 13, 2010

To begin, the Annual Meeting is scheduled to take place Tuesday, April 13, 2010, starting at 7:00 pm in the Mezzanine at Eagle's Nest Ice Arena. It is the opportunity to chart the organization's future and to address concerns, complaints, comments that have repeatedly surfaced during the season. It is also the time for the association to elect new leaders,

for new members to put their "hat in the ring" and become more involved in organization matters.

As our Bylaws prescribe, the Annual Meeting must follow a certain schedule, culminating in the election of new officers to the 2010-2011 Board of Directors. Following are a list of vacancies, both elected and appointed, that will be available next year: Positions appointed by the Board, which serve a one-year term, will be made following the new Board's election.

Vacant Positions for 2010-2011

Elected Positions

President 2-year term – Incumbent Otis Woods

Vice President 2-year term – Dave Kepler

Treasurer 2-year term – Joe Gastel

Registrar 2-year term – Janie Ritter

HS2 Age Level Director (ALD) 1-year term
– Bob Schaefer

Bantam ALD 1-year term – Mark Jones

PeeWee ALD 1-year term – Kevin Hughes

Squirt ALD 1-year term – Scott Dahlk

Mite ALD 1-year term Ken Keryluk

Level 1/2 ALD (formerly Atoms) 1-year term – Joe Taylor

Learn-To-Play (Ice Mice) 1-year term – Tony Heinrichs

Appointed Positions

Ice Scheduler – Incumbent Maria Hill

Web Master – Incumbent Joe Taylor

Association Coaching and Education (ACE) Director
– Incumbent Joe Taylor

Hockey Operations Director – John Parker

Fund-raising Coordinator – Vacant

Recruitment and Retention Coordinator

– Incumbent Jennifer McCormick

Equipment/Photography Coordinator – Mike Miller

All positions elected or appointed by the Board receive Ice Credits that are applied to the annual dues. The most important facet of these positions is to direct the operations of the association. Due to many changes made over the last two to three years, it has become ever more important that we have members willing to serve in these capacities.



SW is Host for Squirt A State Tournament

The Southwest Squirt A Team is this year's host for the 2010 Squirt A State Tournament which will be held at the Eagle's Nest on March 6-7. We are asking all the Southwest hockey families to help support them and make the Tournament a profitable success for the entire Southwest organization. Reminder that they are still in need of donations for the raffle and silent auction. Gift certificates, gift baskets, or monetary donations would be helpful to purchase items as needed. Contact Lynnette Kobza, Tournament Director at tcegelski@tds.net, 848-8988 or 669-5586.