

North Branch Mite Committee

Monthly Meeting Minutes

August 3, 2010

Meeting was called to order at 7:35pm.

Committee Members Present: Ray Croal, Cherie Turek, Jesse Meyer, Nichole Holman, Lisa Isaacson

Members Present: None

Stacy Days Parade

- All players skating in the parade will need to wear helmets.
- We are looking at pulling a wagon for water during the parade.
- Contact will be Nichole Holman, as listed on DIBS, if you have questions about the parade line up.
- Participating members will be handing out flyers and candy.
- Lisa will bring the banner to the parade.

Goalie Clinic

- We are unable to afford the hockey clinic provided by GDI this season
- Ray and Tom are working to get each team to assign a designated goalie coach. These individuals would be expected to attend goalie training sessions and watch how the goalies are trained by professional goalie trainers.
- Nichole Holman knows someone that might be willing to provide some coaching to our players. She will contact this individual and find out if he is interested in helping to coach our young players. Kerry Harvey will need work out the insurance issues to make this work.
- We are looking to have at least 4 players playing the goalie position at the Mite level to give us some options for this position going forward.

Registration

- The board is still working on the online registration link on the website.
- Mite Night 1 will be scheduled for sometime in Sept. 17th through Oct. 7th
- Mite Night 2 will be scheduled for sometime in Oct. 25th through Oct. 28th

Monday Ice Time

- We need to find a way to split up the ice time between the older kids and the younger mite level players
- One option may include sectioning off the rink into 3 sections.
- We were planning to purchase around 4 hours of ice time on these days.
- We need parents to email Tim Cashill (president@northbranchhockey.com) to determine how much time we will need and how to handle this time.
- Tim is coordinating this project and is looking for input from the membership.

- The Monday ice time will require we get around 30 kids to attend to keep the cost down.

Jamboree Options

- Spring Lake Park and Princeton are also looking at providing some type of indoor jamboree for the upper level mite players.
- The Mora Jamboree is more for the D and C level mite players.

USA Hockey Mite Changes

- USA Hockey is looking to have all mites play on half ice with 5 on 5 games instead of full ice games. This has not been confirmed to date.

Arena Fundraising

- We may look at posting for a fundraising committee to raise money for the new arena.
- Ray suggested that we post something informing members that we are looking for those interested in helping to raise funds for the fundraising committee.

Grants/Donations

- We have applied for several Anderson Window Grants
- We are staying away from advertisements on our jerseys with hopes that our local businesses will pay for advertisements at the new arena and on the website.
- Nichole Holman suggested looking at other companies to provide donations to our association. Bed Bath and Beyond, Sears, Best Buy, Target, etc. Nichole Holman will look at sending us a list of these other companies that may be willing to provide donations to our association.

Meeting ended at 8:40pm