

ERRA Board Meeting Minutes
Monday April 19, 2010

Present- Wendy Ebert, Wade Klessig, Bob McDonald Sr, Bob McDonald Jr., Rodney Sternhagen, Jason Boxrucker, Todd Monge, Darrin Rubo, Maria Zingler, Jack Fredricks

Pro Shop initiated by Bob Mc Donald Jr.

Discussion about what is needed from our Pro Shop. Should the Board be running it? Barely making money, just breaking even. A lot of work.

Jason- Could we rent it out? As it sits right now from the treasurers perspective it isn't making money. Needs an inventory.

Discussion of possibly renting out pro shop. Pros/cons. Freeing up board members time and treasurers time if rented out.

Treasurer's Report- Jason Boxrucker

Jason discussing March income statement.

Mac- we should be expecting a big soda credit.

Todd- we made a 35% profit on soda before the credit.

Jason-Mac, pond hockey expense for propane heat needs to be checked on. Jason- bill states "pond hockey heat". Mac thinks we were double billed and will check on.

Todd, motion to accept, Darrin second, passed by all.

Zamboni, Rink Improvements

Jason, Darrin- discussion about current interest rates, banking climate, going to ask for loan for Zamboni, new boards & needed work to ice plant.

Mac- Did we get any estimates for glass?

Todd- Guy from R&M coming up to give estimates for glass, boards & dasher.

Jack- thinks we should get estimates on above for new rink too as well as what would be needed to get new rink up & running in summer.

Darrin will call this week on above.

Jack Fredricks- Summer Hockey School & Summer Ice Rental

Jack with Summer Hockey School last 5 years comparison. More kids are signed up for this summer than ever before. Currently working on picking scholarship kids. Amazing response, almost all levels are filled and closed.

100 hours of summer ice is already rented. Blizzards girls program 30 hours. In future potential for whole of Blizzards program to come here. Marshfield girls HS has rented a weekend with 30 more hours potential. 30 hours rented by Jinelle Zaugg. Jack thinks summer ice rentals are a goldmine and could be much more. Could F.S. tighten up their

hours so we could rent more? Jack thinks if new rink were available in summer we could really make more money on ice rentals.

Jack- Website Advertising to other Camps

Discussion of Jinelle Zaugg's request to put Crazy 8's link on website. Discussion of competition with Hockey School & other things like Blizzards. Discussion that this does compete with hockey school. Decision to decline and put link on our links page.

Darrin, Jason- Loan Discussion

Plan to sit down with banker Lewandowski to figure out what we owe, formulate budget for Zamboni, ice plant, boards etc.

Rodney- would we qualify for energy rebates?

Todd- there is a "Focus on Energy" refrigeration upgrade.

Darrin- will look on website. Does anyone have any reasons why we shouldn't shop around at area banks?

Todd- We could use more than one bank. We should find out how much Lakeland is saving with their new dehumidification.

Wendy- How about motion detectors to turn off lights.

Todd- Better off to put lights on a timer.

Todd- Zamboni. Discussion with R&R guy. Olympia only has dealers in Boston & Washington. Refurbished machines \$10,000 less than new machines.

Darrin- we may as well buy new.

Mac- could we send our to be refurbished?

Todd- but how long will the old one last? Have Brad R. go over with fine tooth comb.

Many say the old one is working great.

Mac- sooner or later we will need to buy a new machine.

Todd- should we set aside \$\$ so that when one goes we can buy one?

Darrin- our payment may go down for all we know with the lower interest rates.

Jason- we could probably do a lot better right now.

Mac- Call M& I

Darrin- did call & said we'd be coming through sometime this week.

Tournament Dates

Mac- Region 2 meeting April 25th in Merrill. Dave Cox to go. Dave doesn't have Falcons calendar yet.

Bobby- we need to know Bantam tournament date. Would we consider combining Mite A & Squirt A on same weekend?

Wendy- other associations do it, some only have one sheet of ice- New Richmond.

Todd- have tournaments on Fri, Sat & Sun

Darrin- leave dates as proposed, pass to coaches, get dates up on WAHA website.

Bobby- Move B teams toward end of season, kids are better.

Todd- we could block rooms at hotels, let hotels know earlier. Will have Dave double check with calendar, Darrin to put up on website, to WAHA. Into "lets play hockey"

Scheduler

Rodney talked to Deb, she would like somebody to talk to her. Discussion about scheduler position. Could we get somebody to help Deb? Learn this position?

Figure Skating Competition

FSC would like to bring in competition for opening deer hunting weekend. Also would like to have test session. Nothing else using rink.

Wendy- where would the hours go toward? Fundraiser hours. Wendy raises concern that this would allow FSC parents to get much of their concession hours out of the way before the season begins. Could treat like hockey tournament with 5 hour limit.

Todd- ERRRA expenses minimal. Rhinelander charges \$10/hr for practice ice. Todd will get proposal.

Wendy –wants hours capped at 10.

Ice In thurs June 10 and again in Wed Oct 6th

Rodney- when is scheduler meeting?

Wendy- 3rd weekend in August?

Todd- When is auction?

Bobby- Wed May 12, 7pm coaches meeting.

Darrin- going to pick A coaches right away?

Rodney- Lions club wants request for donation.

Mac- town of Lincoln too.

Mac- ER now hockey capitol of WI