

CHIPPEWA YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING AGENDA – October 20, 2010, 7:00 PM

Called to order by: Bob Normand Time: 6:58
Present: President (2011) Bob Normand X Vice President (2012) Ron Renaud X
Treasurer (2011) Mike Jordan X Secretary (2012) Michael Pynch X
Board (2012) Randy Reeg X Kris Johnson X Mike Armstrong X
Members: Brian Anderson X
(2011) Jason Dresel X Rod Elkin X Coley Murphy X
Steve Gibbs X Craig Frenette _____

Other attendees: Pete Paletta, Eric Krista, Scott Parker, Marge Faris, Scott Faris, Tim Scobie, Sasha Pynch, Scott Pulver, Karen Brovan, Terri Bollinger

1. General Meeting

Scott Parker

- Heading into an optimistic year. Scott is thanking the youth program for building the talent. Chi-Hi would like to purchase or rent a locker room for each of the varsity teams (Boys/Girls). They would work with alumni and other outside parties to raise the necessary funds.
- Scott suggested that over time the association consider changing the colors to the Red, White, and Black now that McDonnell no longer primarily playing out of the Chippewa rink.
- Scott suggested that coaches should have played hockey to be best suited to coach the youth. In addition, he suggested that at least A Coaches should be compensated and he recommended an amount between \$500 - \$1000 for the season.
- Scott expressed his unhappiness that McDonnell was given after school ice. He felt that going forward Chippewa should have the first crack at after school ice.
- Scott Parker and Eric Krista are both open to assisting at any time if any coaches want to take them up on it just follow-up with them directly.

U12 Player Requests

Scott Faris made the request to allow his daughter (Katherine Faris) to play Pee-Wees the 2010-2011 hockey season.

Michael Pynch made the same request that his daughter (Haley Pynch) be allowed to play Pee-Wees for the 2010-2011 hockey season.

Scott Pulver – Off-ice Program

Scott made the request of CYHA to allow him to coordinate a before school on-ice stick handling clinic. It would be limited to 10 skaters and the cost would be \$75/skater. It would be a 10-week, 1/hr clinic, on Wednesdays, which would wrap-up by 7:30am. Each player would be given homework in addition to supplement the on-ice clinic. The coach who is being proposed is Scott Sikkink and Matt Pulver would be on the ice as well to support him. The \$75 fee would be split as ½ to Scott Sikkink (\$37.50/hour) and the other half to purchase dry-land equipment for the association. The age groups he would be considering Pee-Wees and Bantams and if numbers are still required would look at 2nd year Squirts. If successful, in the future he would like to see high school students involved.

2. Secretary's Report - Minutes of previous meeting

Motion made by Mike Jordan

Seconded by Steve Gibbs

Motion Approved

Due to a concern that edits are being included in the minutes without a full board review, a recommendation was made by Randy Reeg. The Secretary will continue to send the draft minutes to the Board after the meeting. Board members will be expected to suggest edits and to use REPLY ALL when e-mailing them to the Secretary so that they may be viewed by all Board members. This helps to mitigate the risk of individuals making edits that conflict or impact other edits. Then, at the next Board meeting the Secretary can present the final edits and get approval from the board to include those edits within the minutes. Once the edits are approved, then the minutes can be approved. The final step will be to e-mail them to Heather to distribute to the association.

3. Treasurer's Report –

Motion made by Steve
Seconded by Randy
Motion Approved

4. Correspondence/Officer Reports

No officer reports

5. Old Business –

Registration

We are still getting more e-mails and calls from people wanting to join. We did not have a number from Heather on the total registrants to date. We have had declining registration the past two years and were hoping that this year would be flat. On a positive note, the numbers are going to be high at the G.O.A.L. program and there is actually a waiting list to get into it.

Girl's 12U/14U co-op:

Jerseys are set and will be here by early November.

Coaches are set: Gibbs (14U) with Don Loew and Coley Murphy assisting. Luebstorf (12U) with Tim McCullough (Menomonie), Marley Luebstorf, and Scott Peloquin assisting.

The girls have already had a number of practices at the Menomonie rink.

Carlson Clinic

At this time, there are about 45 kids and some hockey moms signed up for this clinic. It appears that this is the third year of breaking even on this event. This will likely be the last year we hold this unless registration increases significantly in the next week or so.

TVs

Bellatoria has once again made a generous donation to Chippewa Youth Hockey. They will be purchasing for CYHA a 60 inch Sony TV for use in the South Rink. This will be used for announcing games, practices, locker room assignments, etc. In addition, they will be purchasing a 32 inch TV for the North rink for the same purpose. Steve Gibbs is in contact with another organization to provide the cabling in exchange for advertising on the TVs.

High School Games

At all varsity games (Boys and Girls), the Gordy's Guru is going to do a shoot a puck from half ice contest.

Sponsorships

Randy suggested that we must be careful in how we handle arrangements with outside organizations where they provide cash or other goods/services to the rink in exchange for advertising. This becomes more complicated

when we are providing exclusive rights to certain types of sponsors. We don't have a strong set of guidelines we use for marketing and advertising at CYHA and decisions which make sense now could have a negative impact on CYHA in the future with other possible sponsors.

6. New Business –

12U player request:

There was discussion regarding this similar situation in Menomonie and that the Menomonie Board had voted twice already this year to not permit a girl to play Pee-Wees. A board member of WAHA told the Menomonie President that girls can play where they so choose, the Menomonie Board President communicated to this individual that they should be permitted to play Pee-Wees. There were questions raised over whether a single board member at WAHA had any right to instruct the Menomonie Board President. There was additional information provided that the case that was being referenced by WAHA was not directly applicable to what was being requested and in that case only related to dual rostering.

There was some discussion as well about the time period from when the CYHA Board President and Co-op committee first learned of this petition in Menomonie and for the record the information was unknown to them prior to October 6.

The Menomonie Board member present (Terri Bollinger) suggested that if CYHA voted to not permit this request then they would also go back and re-decline the request and implement the same policy within their association for the 2010-2011 year.

The appeal process for the families petitioning would be to contact WAHA directly and if necessary someone could request a clarity ruling from USA Hockey.

Motion made to decline the request to allow Katie Faris and Haley Pynch to play Pee-Wees.

Motion seconded

Motion Approved

Approval of Coaches

Motion made to approve the 2010-2011 CYHA Coaches as presented by the Coaches Committee

Seconded by Jason

Motion approved

Screening

The Board was all provided with background screening forms and they will be completed and returned to Bob Normand to comply with the recommendations by WAHA.

Scott Pulver Ice Time

There was some discussion as to the equity of this program vs. other ice time rental for CYHA members (e.g. Ice Age). It was decided that this was a trial program and was focused on kids in the association and therefore was not the same. There was some discussion on the fairness of compensation to this coach (\$37.50/hour) as other CYHA coaches are not paid. This will be re-evaluated as well after the clinic is complete.

Motion made to approve Scott Pulver's initial request to start a 10-week, 1 hour, early morning skating clinic, for \$75/skater, mainly Pee-Wee and Bantams (CYHA members only), and that ½ of the fee would go to the coach and ½ would go to the association specifically for dryland equipment.

Motion seconded by Jason

Motion Approved

Scott Parker

Request for two locker rooms on the South Rink: There would only be three main locker rooms left. This would create challenges on busy evenings and a major challenge to run tournaments. Years ago, there was a plan to get the property/easement on the East side of rink to build locker rooms behind the players benches. They could do the same on the south rink. More discussion needs to happen.

Jersey colors: Our boundaries are Chippewa County not just Chippewa Falls so other cities are a part of that (e.g. Bloomer). If we would ever consider something like that it would be much further down the road and would have to transition as jerseys are replaced.

Compensate coaches: For individuals with kids in the association the compensation has been work assessment hours. For people without kids in the association this does not apply. This is a valid point though not one which the board is going to take up in the 2010-2011 hockey season.

McDonnell ice time: The decision for McDonnell’s after-school ice time has already been made and we are bound to it. We will re-evaluate this next year. In a related note, Chi-Hi’s contract with CYHA is to be given a 50/50 split of ice during prime hours and non-prime hours. Presently, they receive 100% prime ice time.

7. Committee Reports

Management	B. Normand	Player Development	D. Loew
Finance	M. Jordan	Equipment	J. Dresel
Rules	D. Loew	3 on 3	P. Paletta
Maintenance	W. Hutton	Referees	L. Darrow
Cleaning	H. Dresel	Signs	N. Bowe, L. Steinmetz
Mechanical	B. Roshell	Concession	H. Olson
Facility	J. Dresel	Tournaments	D. Liddell
Ice	L. Darrow	Strategic Planning	OPEN
Zamboni	B. Bruhn	Scheduling	B. Normand
		Figure Skating	K. Brovan, J. Jackan
		Registration	H. Dresel
Marketing, Promotions, Fundraising	R. Renaud	Work Assessment	A. Kukuk
Ice Bowling	TBD		
Blue Line			
Pancake Breakfast	M. Mikula	Calendars	J. Holmlund
Fair	P. Kelly	Clothing	T. Anderson
Country/Rock	K. Smithberg		

Committee Reports

Keys/Locks

There are concerns about the number of people with keys to the rink. We received a quote for \$467.50 to rekey locks and that includes 50 keys. We will likely need 100 keys and before this is approved by the Board it will need to be reviewed and approved by the Finance Committee. It was also recommended that some guidelines be developed for who should receive keys and the process for receiving and returning keys.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Next Meeting Wednesday, November 17, 2010 7:00 PM