

MSHA Board Meeting Notes

Tuesday August 9, 2011

Brian Nash called the monthly meeting to order at 7:04 pm at Blarney's in Mitchell. Board members present were: Denise Niehoff, Stacy Murtha, Jamie Grosdidier, Doug Beck, Brian Nash, Charlie Carlson, Steve Koch, Dave Muth, Cat Erickson, Doug Dailey, Chuck Jones, Blake Waddell, and Mike Mohr.

Guests: Ryan Tupper and Jessica Long.

Agenda

A motion was made by Stacy Murtha and seconded by Doug Dailey to accept the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

Minutes

The minutes from the July meeting were emailed to all board members by Denise Niehoff. A motion was made by Blake Waddell and seconded by Doug Beck to approve the minutes from July meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Finance

Finance report was provided by Denise Niehoff. There were no questions. Motion was made to accept the report by Charlie Carlson and seconded by Stacy Murtha. Motion passed unanimously.

Committee Reports

- **Programs Committee** – report was provided by Ryan Tupper.
 - A. Andy Jerke (Equipment Director): After registration will ask if rental equipment is needed. He received the “free” jerseys from Degree. These will be used as practice jerseys. Is working with Denise on sizes of jerseys to order.
 - B. Jenny Gauger (Scheduler): Not present at meeting but will need to get Round Robin conversations going with Squirt and Mite coordinators.
 - C. Mandy Robinson (Registrar): League sign up will be Sunday, August 28, 2011 from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Non-League sign up will be Sunday, September 18, 2011 from 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Will need person at the front door directing people to the correct stations. Need to have station to purchase Season Pass.
 - D. Sonya Olson (Coordinators): Need coordinator list. Need to communicate with MM coordinators about in-house scrimmage games in January during BV and GV games.

- E. Steve Rice (Coaching Director): Discussed what the contents of the coaches packets should be. Reviewed the proposed 2011/2012 coaches list. Discussed additional coaching needs. Brief discussion on grade policy---how to get from school districts other than Mitchell---will discuss with Brian Nash. Grade policy to be posted on web site. Will schedule a coaches meeting and update coaches once coaching clinics have been set up.
- F. Still in need of Tournament Director, Historian, and Non-League Referee Scheduler.
- G. Ryan Tupper (Program Chair): Discussed what we need for computers for registration nights. Went through online registration with Mary, Mandy, and Denise in July. Had some minor updates which have been done. Is excited about how the process will work this year ---much improved. Discussed proposed non-league schedule for Rink Rats and season start/end dates. MM will not travel and Mites will have no over night stays. Mites will do Round Robin format. Rink Rat program has a number of improvements---will be based on level of skills, specific skills at each level, will give feed back to kids so they have list of what they need to work on. Planning to start Rink Rats the 1st Tuesday of November and will follow MM & Mite practice. Ryan will approach Dusty about doing the Rink Rat program under the city and not MSHA. Proposed season for MM is December 6 to January 21, Mites December 6 to February 19, and Squirts November 8 to March 3. Need to come up with a sheet stating important dates and when we need to have them done by.

- **Buildings Committee (Chuck Jones)**

The marquee for the new sign is here. Need to get with Dave Muth to see if they are still going to wire. Need contractors to patch the floor. Will do one more year of sand. Heaters are the same as last year as we have no new ones to put in. Will put rink together October 1 and 2. Need group to paint and do dirt work for outdoor rink. Will need supplies to do this.

- **Fundraising Committee**

Had great response to be on Spirit Wear Committee. Had to turn people away.

- **Recruiting Committee**

Jessica Long reported changes to the brochure and stated they were trying to change the date the brochure is sent home from the school.

Agenda Items

- **Resructure Committee**

It was stated that we need better communication in our Association. Please send your comments on the structure to Doug Dailey or Denise.

- Modification to the by-laws will be looked at in the future.
- Need Board representation on all committees.

- Some talk of changing the credit hour policy to include minor official slots. Will not be this year. Form a committee to look at this and move forward for next year.

- All outstanding debt from last year will be paid in full before skaters are allowed on the ice this year.

- Need to let SDAHA know if we will be hosting the Bantam B State Tournament. If we don't field a Bantam B team, will be difficult to host this tournament as the Bantam A team will be out of town at their State Tournament. Will wait on numbers from registration and discuss at the September meeting.

- There was some discussion about coaching issues with John Lord. There are no formal complaints brought to the Board. Until the Board receives a formal complaint, there is no reason to discuss. We must stand behind our coaches and their decisions.

Next meeting is set for Tuesday, September 13th, 2011 at 7:00 pm at Blarney's.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Chuck Jones and seconded by Steve Koch. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Denise Niehoff