

CHIPPEWA YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING MINUTES – October 19, 2011, 7:00 PM

Called to order by: ___Bob Normand_____ Time: _7:00___
Present: President (2013) Bob Normand _X_ Vice President (2012) TBD___
Treasurer (2013) Sara Bowe _X_ Secretary (2012) Michael Pynch_X_
Board (2012) Randy Reeg ___ Kris Johnson _X_ Mike Armstrong ___X_
Members: Brian Anderson _X_
(2013) Rod Olson ___X_ Rod Elkin ___X_ Pat Bowe ___X_
Steve Gibbs ___X_ Craig Frenette ___

Other Attendees

Karen Brovan

1. General Meeting

Nothing

2. Secretary's Report - Minutes of previous meeting

Only changes to note that the Bylaw rewrite meeting did not happen and that Terri Bollinger's daughter's name was Shawna. Both items were updated.

Motion made by Rod E. to approve the board meeting minutes for September 21.

Seconded by Rod O.

Motion Approved

3. Treasurer's Report

Motion made by Steve to approve the financial reports.

Seconded by Rod E.

Motion Approved

Sara went to Northwestern Bank and everything is now taken care of regarding access to the figure skaters accounts.

Bob gave the invoice to Eric Krista for the window that was broken during stickhandling and he is taking care of getting the costs reimbursed by those individuals responsible on the girls high school team.

4. Correspondence/Officer Reports

None

5. Old Business

None

6. New Business

One of the individuals that has been working with Rod Elkin to donate community service hours at the hockey rink owns a carpet company. He said he was willing to donate carpeting that is outdated and in storage and the time to install it. Overall the board agreed that this would work well, especially in the heated areas. A basic

black would be preferred. Rod is going to follow-up on whether the carpet would work at the entrance of the North rink.

Steve is willing to donate his copier to the rink. He thinks that there is a \$300 service call and that it would work very well for our organization. We are also evaluating a purchase from EO Johnson and then paying for annual service fees to keep it running etc.

Randy wanted us to consider indoor advertising (e.g. over the urinals). They estimated that we would be paid \$200 in total to put in this service. There were discussions as to where these may be placed in the rink and in general there was agreement that maybe just in the restrooms. There was some concern that some advertising could conflict with our sponsors though the contract suggests we have the right to deny advertisers.

7. Committee Reports

Finance/Administration (Randy)

- **Vice-President Confirmation and New Board Member Process**
We approved Steve tentatively and as no one else was considering running, Steve Gibbs is the new Vice-President. Because Steve is currently a board member that means there is a board member opening with a two-year term. We currently have two potential candidates (Nikki Bowe and Jason Dresel). Bob is going to work with Heather to get an e-mail out regarding Ron Renaud, Steve Gibbs, and the opening for this board member position.
- **Fundraising Status in regard to the Roof**
Steve went to the Gordy's Wine Fest and he spoke with some key fundraisers and they said to send a letter and they would see what they could do to help us out regarding the roof.
- **Bylaws Update**
Steve went through and put what he felt would be good changes to the bylaws. Tim said that we should rewrite them in total and he has another good set. They are going to meet next month and review them in detail. Steve expects having a recommendation for the board at the next board meeting with an intention to approve the new bylaws in December.
- **Registration Numbers**
In the Beginner, Mighty Mite, and IP groups there are 93 skaters. We also got 28 of 32 from the GOAL program to sign up for this season. Therefore, there are ~125 skaters in the 8U program, 46 Squirts, 39 Pee-Wees (including girls), 13 Bantams, and 11 U14. The High School is taking 37 skaters and many more are supposedly trying out. It is possible that there might be a Midget Team that could play regular games with a Bantam Only eligible team for State (if needed).

There is a "Learn to Skate" program as well for Figure Skating and they have ~50 skaters that are trying it out. We are also looking at doing a 6 – week program (low-cost) to further engage these skaters and give them a chance to try this out further.

November 5 is try hockey for Free Day. They are going to be hitting a number of the Day Cares and other places to get kids to try it out. It is open to the first 40 that register.

- **Debit/Credit Card**
There are currently 5 debit cards on our account (Sara, Bob, Jason, Kim, and Mike). Jason, Kim, and Mike's are being cancelled since they are not officers of CYHA and do not have signature cards. Sara set up business credit cards for Jason and Pat. Bob also has a business credit card.

Special Events (Kris)

- Kris is going to follow-up with Rob to determine how much down he needs on the 4-wheeler to get it ordered.

- Craig is at the Beerfest meeting tonight. Beerfest is May 19th and we are going to make sure that the Girls tournament does not conflict with that event.
- Ice Bowl meetings are starting next week.

On-Ice (Brian)

- **Tournament Update**
Pee-Wee A is full and that is a 12-team tournament. Brian already turned down 2 teams for Pee-Wee A. The Bantam A tournament is down to 8-team to make up for the interest in Pee-Wee A. Our Bantam team will play in our Bantam B tournament. There is only one spot left in both the U12 and U14 combined tournament.

There will be a U12, U14, and U19 team from Ashland, Hayward, and Spooner for Region 1.

Brian spoke to Allison at the Chamber and wanted to make sure that she is planning ahead on the tournament weekends. We have had some negative feedback that some businesses (Loopy's) were just not staffed to handle all the customers that are drawn into these tournaments.

Brian spoke with someone from Rooney's to determine if we can get a tournament program so that we can have both brackets on one side, rosters on another, and a panel for advertising.

We discussed the Chamber Bags and we may look at doing something different this next year and just find a place for handouts for the parents.

We are going to look for someone that might be able to assist with organizing some of the advertising, sponsorships, etc.

We may need to clarify the end of year Girl's tournament and make sure it is noted as a national federation of high schools so we don't interfere with a potential U19 State tournament.

Brian had a woman from Elmbrook and she asked if we would be willing to do a military color guard to open the tournament. He asked her for more details.

- **Carlson Clinic Update**
This was canceled for this year. Steve Carlson said he would come back next year if there was more interest from members of the association. We will have to look at other weekends. This year we did not package it with the 3 on 3 and that might have been an issue. We may also want to reevaluate the Mighty Mite or Mite 3 v 3 and try and package that with the Jason Krista clinic. There were 32 Squirts in the 3 v 3. There were about the same with Pee-Wee Bantams.
- **Referee Training/Screening/Approval**
Rod has tried to get in contact with Lee to find out which kids want to ref. After Rod connects with Lee he is going to send out an e-mail to the association to see if there is interest. We also need to put it out on Stout and UW-Eau Claire's info boards to get referees. We are going to try and actively recruit officials to improve the reffing options for our association. Bob is going to try again to get the clinic for us for next year at McDonnell. We need 5 full classrooms to do this.
- **Coach Screening/Approval**
Rod has a list of coaches that have signed up for the season. There will be some shake-out after try-outs is completed. Bob will go through the list of who has and has not been screened. Rod will also be able to see on the USA Hockey site as to whether they have passed the appropriate levels.

Motion made by Steve to approve the coaches presented by the PDC.

Seconded by Brian

Motion Approved

Facilities (Mike)

- Roof Update
They have all the materials out there and should be ready to start next week.
- Speaker Installation on North Rink
We need to turn around 1 or 2 speakers on the North Rink so that people can hear it on the ice.
They are also putting in a switch to turn the microphone on/off with the touch of a button so it is the same as the other rink. We also have an iPod set up for playing music. We will also be pulling out the cassette player. We are also getting some money back for the speakers and equalizer that we “traded in”.
Tim also purchased a wireless device ~\$500 that will allow someone on the ice to be able to project their voice through the speakers.
- All fire extinguishers were tested and verified that they function as intended.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Next Meeting Wednesday, November 16, 2011 7:00 PM