

OYHA Booster Board Meeting Minutes

September 12, 2011

Meeting called to order at 7:06 PM

Board Members Present: Lisa Goehring, Lee Goehring, Chris Swanson, Julie Paul, Beth Anderson, David Barry, Julia Harrison, Matt Mesenburg, Katherine Urness, Dan Ament and Mike Gustafson, John Greenagel

Guest for portion of meeting: Tom Bren

Julie Paul made a motion to approve the August meeting minutes as previously distributed. Beth Anderson 2nd the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurers Report

- We are allowing people to sign up for the \$45.00 HS coaches clinic that day if they choose – will bring a check to the rink if a player didn't sign-up on line.
- To date, we have received an additional \$1,500.00 in donations from registration. Julie will be sending thank-you letters to each of the donor's.

Coach's Board Report

- Lee provided an update as to upcoming tryouts, coaches/non-parent coaches, and various other matters discussed at the most recent CB meeting.
- Sunday, September 25th will be the coach's round-up meeting. More details to follow.
- Lee Goehring made a motion to approve Elli O'Brian as a grade level move up if the request comes to the Coaches Board (believe it will be formally received shortly). Chris Swanson 2nd the motion. Motion approved unanimously.
- Lee Goehring made a motion to approve grade level move ups for 2 players from ADM to Squirt and 1 player from U10 to U12 as discussed at the meeting. Beth Anderson 2nd the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- Pre-tryout clinics are posted on the website.

Committee Reports

D3 – There is a D3 meeting on Wednesday, September 21st and Jamie will be attending paying special attention to the need for Squirt goalies, Hockey Day participation on 11/15 and the penalties – and will report back to the board post the meeting.

Registration – registration is progressing well – working on a various waivers, registration questions, etc. – but all is moving along.

Grievance – no report

Team Manager – no report

Communications – no report

Equipment – Jerseys will be here on Friday, September 23rd and will be delivered by team to the arena. As a reminder of a decision made earlier, we will not be putting name plates on the jerseys as way to preserve longer life of the Jersey's – and to eliminate 'name plate' costs for our members as well as cost of sewing on and getting taken off. Several other associations also do not use name plates.

Shawn is meeting with General Sports and should have the web store up by Friday, September 23rd. General Sports will be at try-outs and the ADM kick-off.

Fall Face Off – We have decided to go with the Lafayette Club for the event this year due to the fact that Woodhill has decided not to allow outside use of their club. The committee is in place to help and is on our way to a great event.

We did consider moving the FFO to 11/11/11 however were not able to identify any suitable space options on that date and decided to stay and move forward on November 4th.

Level Reps

ADM Girls – no report

ADM Boys – Beth Anderson made a motion to approve Jeff Kringen as the ADM Boys Level Rep for the 2011-2012 season. Lee Goehring 2nd the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

10U – no report

Squirt – no report

12U – Chris Swanson made a motion to approve Dan Ament as the 12U level rep. Lee Goehring 2nd the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Pee Wee – no report

Bantam – no report

14U – no report

OIA

- OIA will be wrapping the Burr Unit in an effort to help with the acoustics in the arena. This should be done by mid-October. This is anticipated to reduce the noise by a large percentage
- Tom Bren came in and spoke to the board about installing acoustical tiles that would hang from the ceiling of the ice rink; the cost is estimated at about \$14,000. He felt that

this would be a benefit to the kids on the ice as it is hard for the coaches to talk in a normal matter and have the kids hear their instruction when there are a lot of kids on the ice (shared ice). Chris Swanson discussed the conversations held recently with the OIA board regarding the noise reduction plans. Also – reminded the Board that at a Booster board meeting earlier this year, the OIA board members attended our board meeting and gave us an update as to their current year and 5 year capital plan – which included both the ‘wrap’ discussed above, as well as a second step of acoustical considerations. Such item is in OIA’s plans, but was not in this current year. After discussion held, it was concluded that Chris Swanson will reach out to Chris Hickcock regarding status & timing/plans – and discuss the potential of moving forward the acoustical upgrade – if the ‘wrap’ noted above does not significantly improve the ability to talk and hear on the ice.

Pond Ice Arena

- Their new Zamboni has arrived (their old one was 15 years old). There are advertising opportunities on one side of it, the cost is \$1,000.00/season.
- They have new compressors going in on 11/24
- They put in Wi-Fi, throughout the entire arena – with no charge for members to use it
- Drake Flemmer went off the arena board and John Gabos and Stacy Burns are our current Orono representation on the board. The other 3 board members are from the Mound association this year.

Boys HS Program

Chris Swanson met with Aaron Johnson during this past month to discuss HS and Youth hockey, connections to the programs, and ways we can continue to support and develop both programs. Aaron is a big supporter of the Youth Program and is committed to working with us. He will be at the Coaches Kick-off meeting. Further ideas will be discussed with the HS board during the up-coming months.

Additional Information

- Concussion information for parents, players and coaches – along with all of our members - will now be on the MN Hockey website as well as be rolled into the CEP training for coaches. There is not a need for NGIN to put on our website. MN Hockey and D-3 believe these steps meet the required new rules regarding concussion steps in youth sports that went into effect on September 1, 2011.
- Beth Anderson will contact Susan Gustafson regarding the Concussion Baseline training and get it set up again for optional assessments for our players / our association (Squirt and up).
- There will be a mandatory parent meeting on Saturday, October 1st at 10:00am at the Intermediate School Gym. Discussion about the topics we will cover was had.

- Chris Swanson discussed the request / presented a Level of Play waiver granted to a player (attends BSM currently). D-3 has granted a Level of Play waiver which allows a player to registrar with any association – assuming the individual qualifies for the ‘A’ team. Further discussion was held by the board regarding the facts/background (as well as discussing our anticipated # of Bantam players for the coming year), after which Chris Swanson made a motion to accept the level of play waiver as granted by D-3. Lee Goehring 2nd the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- The next board meeting will be 11/14/11 (as has historically been the case, no board meeting will be held in October due to the try-out process going on and a large portion of the board assisting in various ways as part of the tryouts during the entire month.)

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:46pm