

Minutes for WYHA Board Meeting 7/13/09

Meeting called to order by President Gibson at 7:00 pm.

Present: Laurie Asplund, Alex Becker, John Buan, Greg Gibson, Derek Gullett, Paul Hahn, Brad Langfus, Bill Orke, Rob Rude, Barry Sorensen, Jim Smith, Carrie Starry, Steve LaRose, Mark Sivets, Bob Vold.

Open Forum: Parent coach applicant requests early identification of coaches that best meet player needs. Maturity, experience, and commitment recommended as critical coaching qualifications. Website utilization for communicating process of tryout selection suggested.

Secretary's Report – Sarah Schilling: Approval of June meeting minutes with noted revisions. JSmith motion, PHahn seconds. Motion carries unanimously.

President's Report – Greg Gibson: No updates

Administration – Alex Becker:

WYHA pull tabs-Barry Sorensen: Fundraising opportunity for WYHA to participate in pull tabs at local eating establishment. Kathy and Tom Hewitt have volunteered to oversee as gambling managers for one year. Greg Gibson would provide required board member oversight. PHahn motions to approve; JBuan seconds. Motion carries unanimously.

Website Update: Please review and submit recommended web updates or changes to Alex to filter requests to website manager.

Registration Update: Mark Sivets reports registration changes now include a two-step process. Players first must register with USA hockey then register with WYHA. WYHA registration fee will adjust by \$40. New MN Hockey Participation Rule: In general players will play hockey based on where the school they attend resides (see MN Hockey website). On line registration begins August 1; open registration scheduled for Sept 12. Kris Machut is new volunteer Mite registrar.

Coaches applications/Ice Schedulers: Level coordinators please send key contact info for coach applications and ice schedulers to Alex **by Friday 7/17.**

Coaches Volunteer Hours: Recommend parent coaches to have option of accepting volunteer hour exemption **or** stipend option, but not both. Motion ABecker, Second JSmith. Motion carries unanimously.

Community Relations Update - Paul Hahn: Meeting with school district regarding bubble; moving open date to after Nov 2. Board and zamboni

advertisements will be changed. Family has requested purchasing and selling additional WYHA trailer hitches as fundraiser; will discuss start up funding per Blueline funds.

Treasurer's Report – Bob Vold: Report distributed for fiscal year ending June 30. Small firm providing estimates to provide future fiscal services.

Girls Program – Derek Gullett: U10/U12/U14 tryout dates being established.

BlueLine – Brenda Senden: No report

District 3 – Carrie Starry: June meeting highlights: Looking at possible cost reductions, including potential changes to number of ref's on the ice. Teams will now pay registration fees for participating in State tournaments. State tournament banquets will no longer be required of hosting associations. Injury reports to be reduced to reporting concussions and fractures.

Mites Program – John Buan: Level coordinators pretty much in place; reviewing coach applications.

C-League – Steve LaRose: Still looking for Rec League volunteer.

Boy's Travel – Jim Smith: Tryout scheduling in process.

Coach updates-Bill Orke: Developing handbook for all coaches. Interviewing excellent candidates. BOrke motions to approve Lance Pitlick as assistant coach for PeeWee A based on four conditions as follows:

1. Lance will not have any involvement in PeeWee Tryouts or final line combinations.
2. The PeeWee A philosophy for 2009-2010 will be consistent with Maruk's prior season (i.e., no special teams before February, roll the gate, etc.).
3. Lance will participate in both mid and season ending evaluations.
4. No other parent assistant coaches on PeeWee a bench 2009-2010 season.

JBuan seconds motion; one member unable to vote, motion carries unanimously. Motion to approve Bantam A assistant coaches: Jim Neary, Mark Nenovich, Judd Stevens. Five unable to vote; motion carries unanimously. BOrke motions to approve Tim Petersen as Bantam B1-1 head coach and Brian Keogh assistant coach, seconded by JBuan, five members unable to vote, motion carries unanimously. BOrke motions to approve Neal Cole as Squirt A head coach and Lance Cole as assistant, seconded by JBuan, 2 unable to vote, 2 abstain, 7 for, 2 against. Motion carries 7-2 vote.

Tournaments-Brad Langfus: Proposed tournament budget distributed for review.

9:25pm Meeting adjourned

Next meeting Monday 8/3/2009 7:00pm at PIC

2009 Meetings: 9/14, 10/5, 11/2, and 12/7