

AAHA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

10/14/08

7:00 P.M.

ANOKA HOCKEY RINK BOARD ROOM

Meeting called to order at: 7:05 pm by Charlie Lehn

Motion to adjourn meeting at: 10:02 pm Motion made by Tye Jensen, second by Greg Tirevold.

Minutes taken by: Mike McCauley

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Members Present: Charles Lehn, Jeff Asfahl, Todd Mathisen, Charlie Weaver, Greg Tirevold, Tye Jensen, Troy Bergstrom, Craig Stevens, Bob Murphy, Michelle Petersen, **late:** Mike McCauley, Julie Huspek, Rob Savini,

Members Absent: Mike Cunningham,

Ancillary Members Present: Jeff Zwerdling, Tammi Wiedenbach, Chris Hedlund,

Guests Present: Annette Cameron, Michelle Ballensky

Next Board Meeting: 11/11/08

OPEN FORUM: Annette Cameron came to the board on behalf of a family on her team who had worked at the Dome to pay their registration and ice bills, but knew that they would struggle to pay some of the other expenses like out of town fees. Annette asked the board if there was anything we could do to help. The board passed along a couple of different avenues the family could take to help offset some of their expenses.

APPROVE MINUTES: Troy Bergstrom made a motion to approve the minutes from the Board Meeting held September 9th, 2008, second by Michelle Petersen, motion carried.

ACTION ITEMS:

Gambling Report/Gaming Committee Report: September's report for July was distributed by Jeff Zwerdling and reviewed by all present. Greg Tirevold made a motion to approve the gambling report, second by Troy Bergstrom, motion carried. Greg Tirevold made a motion to approve the lawful expenditures report, second by Charlie Weaver, motion approved. Bar Bingo is played at two of our sites, Jackson Street on Mondays and Serum's on Wednesday. Jeff Z. invited members of the association to support our sites. The Charitable Gambling meeting is scheduled for Sunday following each board meeting at 8:00pm in the Board Room

Jeff Z. asked association members to come out & support our newest Charitable Gambling site **Cheap Seats**, located at 2016-1st Ave. in Downtown Anoka.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report was distributed by Charlie Lehn and reviewed by all present. Todd Mathisen made a motion to approve the treasurer's report, second by Bob Murphy, motion carried.

Charlie Lehn & Michelle Ballensky presented a budget for the 2008-09 season for the board to review. Tye Jensen made a motion to adopt the budget for the 2008-09 season, seconded by Michelle Peterson. After considerable discussion the Motion carried 6-3, 1 member abstained, 1 absent.

D10 & President's Report: Mike McCauley asked the Traveling Director's to remind the traveling coaches and managers of the District 10 Mandatory Coaches & Managers meetings.

Old Business: none

New Business:

Greg Tirevold discussed the issues that he was having finding a Bantam B2 Head Coach. Greg had been in contact with a potential non-parent head coach from outside the association who had shown interest in the position, but was asking for \$1,000 more for the season than the board had approved to pay. Greg Tirevold made a motion to offer the non-parent head coach up to \$1,000 more than originally approved by the board, second by Tye Jensen. Motion was denied 6-5. Greg stated he would call the potential coach and inform him of the board's decision and ask him if he was still interested in the position. If he was not, Greg would have to explore other options.

The Anoka Manager's Meeting will be held on Monday, October 20th at 7:00pm in the Hospitality Room

Committee Reports:

Equipment: Report given by Troy Bergstrom; The Jersey Committee has come up with three different designs that they like. Troy made a motion to approve up to \$500 to make a home & away sample of each jersey. Second by Tye Jensen. The two jersey designs

that are not chosen would be donated to the MOM's baskets or raffled off. After much discussion, Troy rescinded his motion and it was decided that we would proceed with paper samples until we got closer to making an actual decision.

Volunteer: Report given by Julie Huspek for Michelle Petersen, Michelle Petersen make a motion to change the Volunteer policy effective immediately that we will "shred" checks as the volunteer hours are completed and turned in. If the family would like their check mailed back to them they are required to turn in a self addressed stamped envelope. This will eliminate a need to pay postage and time to sort, stuff, and mail hundreds of checks. Second by Jeff Asfahl. Motion carried 11-1. Michelle will wait for 30 days for parents to give her a self addressed stamped envelope before she begins shredding checks.

Player Development: Report given by Tye Jensen, FHIT has started with dryland training. So far most of the feedback has been positive. Check the website for your team's times. Thanks to Bill Ruckel for allowing FHIT to use Rink #1 to train the kids while the ice is not in.

Tournaments: Report given by Craig Stevens, Craig reported that most of the tournaments are full with teams on the waiting lists. U-10A & PeeWee B2 are still looking for a team or two. The A-Bantams tournament has been cancelled due to lack of interest. Craig will expand the Bantam B1 & B2 tournaments to 12 or 16 teams respectively. Craig is looking for a new Tournament Treasurer.

Mites/House: Mites & House players are going to start skating this week. We have 185-190 Mites/U8's registered this season. Thank you to Kelly Tews for organizing the calling the of Mite parents and letting them know of their first ice time. There will be a Mite Coaches meeting on Sunday for all parents who wish to coach. Thanks to Brian from FHIT and Mike Orn for donating their time to talk to the Mite coaches.

Traveling – Youth: Report given by Greg Tirevold, Greg is working with the injured players & respective level coaches as they work through the tryout process.

Traveling – Girls: Report given by Julie Huspek, Julie continuing to work with Champlin to find spots for the U-14 girls who did not make our team.

Fundraising: Report given by Charlie Weaver, Charlie W. brought forward a fundraising opportunity to host a viewing of the documentary movie, Pond Hockey. AAHA would promote the event, sell tickets, & split in the profit with the filmmaker. Charlie W. looked at using Anoka Lyric Arts Theater, but determined that wouldn't work for this event. Charlie W. asked the board if anyone had contacts to other theaters or to think about other ways to make this work.

If you know of someone who is interested in purchasing banner advertising in Rink #2, please contact Charlie Weaver.

Communications: Report given by Todd Mathisen, Pictures will be held November 12th & 13th. Todd presented a new pin designs for this year. Todd made a motion to spend up to \$700 on pins. Troy Bergstrom seconded. Motion carried.

Ice: Chris Hedlund handed out a letter regarding the problems that AAIA encountered while attempting to start up Rink #1. Hopefully ice will be ready to skate on by November 4th. Chris also handed out a letter showing how ice is allocated to teams. Game scheduling will start this week.

Tryouts: Report given by Jeff Asfahl, No report was given as the board is under a 30 day moratorium on tryout discussion. Jeff thanked all of those people involved who helped out with the tryout process, especially Jeff Zwerdling and Kim Batsche.

Registration: N/A