



OSSEO-MAPLE GROVE HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes- Final

Date: February 8th, 2009

Location: Maple Grove Community Center

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS		Present	Absent	Non-Voting Members		Present	Absent
PRESIDENT	Mike Urquhart		✓	ACE COORDINATOR	Chuck Sinjem	✓	
1ST VICE PRESIDENT MAPLE GROVE	Tony Kunz	✓		ASSIST. ACE COORDINATOR			
1ST VICE PRESIDENT OSSEO	Jeff Dolby		✓	ICE COORDINATOR	Tony Verbeten	✓	
1ST VICE PRESIDENT GIRLS	Kendra Verbeten	✓		ASSSTANT TREASURER	Kathi Kmit		✓
2ND VICE PRESIDENT	Dane Roehl	✓		REGISTRAR	Theresa Christofferson	✓	
TREASURER	Jim Cassibo	✓		ASSISTANT REGISTRAR	Darcy Pitra	✓	
SECRETARY	Todd Hill	✓		VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR	Dana Johnson		✓
Direct Elect Board Members		Present	Absent	ASST. VOL. COORDINATOR	Jill Wente		✓
Charitable Gambling	Denise Hinton	✓		EQUIPMENT MANAGER	Todd Machlitt	✓	
Assistant Charitable Gambling	Jay Tilton		✓	EQUIPMENT MANAGER-GOALIE	Scott Eklund		✓
DISTRICT 3 REP	Tom Pitra	✓		CONCESSION STAND MGR (1)	Peggy Rogers		✓
HOUSE DIRECTORS		Present	Absent	CONCESSION STAND MGR (2)	Joy Kunz		✓
MITE DIRECTOR	Curtis Janicke		✓	TOURNAMENT	John Griffith		✓
SUPERMITE DIRECTOR	Brad Tullberg		✓	SLAP SHOT MANAGER	Kathy Clark		✓
GIRLS TRAVEL DIRECTOR	Greg Herdine		✓	ASSOCIATION WEBMASTER	Todd Frisvold		✓
GIRLS TRAVEL DIRECTOR	Lance Olson	✓		PERSONAL FUNDRAISING	Jeff Mordhorst		✓
HOUSE DIRECTOR	Joe Favorite	✓		ASST. WEBMASTER	Greg Heiser		✓
TRAVELING DIRECTORS		Present	Absent	SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENT	Darcy Pitra		✓
SQUIRT DIRECTOR	Joe Shouts		✓				
SQUIRT DIRECTOR	Scott Botzet	✓					
PEEWEE DIRECTOR	Todd Bergland	✓					
BANTAM DIRECTOR	Tim Clark	✓					
JR GOLD	John Anderson		✓				

The meeting was officially called to order by Tony Kunz at 7:30 pm.

Todd Hill made a motion seconded by Tony Kunz to approve the January 11th, 2009 Board Minutes, the motion passed unanimously.

Treasurers Report – Jim Cassibo reporting

- Jim presented the Key Financial Metrics and reviewed current OMGHA operations. OMGHA has a current COH of \$665,000, which is typical for this time of the year.
- Jim presented the Board with an update following his meeting with ISD 279. Our current contract expires this spring and Jim will work to renew our operating agreement with the district. It appears as though the district is not looking for any major changes to the operating agreement. Jim did inquire about the placement of a skate sharpening facility in the Osseo arena, the school district is not interested in placing a for profit facility in the arena which would compete with area businesses. Jim also inquired about heat in the West arena. The current policy is for heat to be provided for Mite games and large events. The district will provide constant heat if OMGHA is willing to increase ice costs by \$5/hour. The total charge would likely be \$5,000. The district will also work with OMGHA to provide wireless internet access and cable for the rink. OMGHA will be responsible for covering the costs of those improvements.

Charitable Gaming Report – Denise Hinton reporting

- Denise reported our January sales were \$170,767, prizes paid were \$150,236, deposits were \$20,531 and expenses were \$8,363. Our sales increased by \$24,975, we paid out \$22,251 more in prizes, our deposits increased by \$2,724 and our expenses decreased by \$1,104. Todd Hill made a motion seconded by Tom Pitra to approve the monthly expenses, the motion passed unanimously.
- Denise also reported OMGHA received \$191.00 from the charitable gambling operation at Champ's. The Board decided to dedicate the funds to help offset program fees for Mite and Supermite programming. Tony Kunz made a motion to support the recommendation; the motion was seconded by Dane Roehl and passed unanimously.
- Denise presented the Board with a request from Duffy's for a \$100 contribution to Duffy's Customer Appreciation event. Tom Pitra made a motion to approve the request, the motion was seconded Tony Kunz and passed unanimously.

OMGHA Committee Reports

OMGHA TRAVELING REPORT

- Sent out a survey to all OMGHA coaches seeking feedback on EAH and Game Speed. Feedback will be used to make improvements for the 2009/10 season.
- Considering moving the traveling C program under the youth travel program. This would give the level directors responsibility for the A, B and C programs.
- Both Boys' High School programs have voiced their concern about the possible rebranding of OMGHA. Their main concern is the potential for losing their identities.

GIRLS TRAVELING REPORT

JUNIOR GOLD REPORT

- Jr Gold B White finished 2nd in the Albert Lea Tournament.
- The Jr Gold A and B-White teams are travelling to Florida in mid February to participate in the Presidents Cup Tournament in Ft Lauderdale FL. Fund raising activities associated with the Jr Gold Golf Tournament are helping fund the costs associated with the tournament.
- The Jr Gold B Black Coach, John Wilmes, is required to attend a District 3 grievance hearing associated with two game misconduct penalties that were assessed to two players in a game played in early January. The grievance assesses that Coach Wilmes knowingly played a player without serving the mandatory immediate suspension. The grievance is incorrect in its assessment and this information has been communicated to the District 3 grievance committee. The hearing will clear up the miscommunications.

HOUSE PROGRAM REPORT

- U8 girls have played Orono and will continue throughout the year. We also are having U8 Jamboree the end of February. We have eliminated from the schedule the Mite 2's playing the U8's.
- House teams have been scrimmaging for a month and things seem to be running smoothly.
- Format change to the Mites scrimmages where they are doing fun warm-up/relay races for the first 20 minutes and scrimmaging the last 40 minutes has been mainly positive.
- Goalie clinic time has been requested for SM/U8. 4-5 sessions planned.
- Things seem to be running smoothly. Nice job to the directors!!

C-LEAGUE REPORT

DISTRICT THREE REPORT

- A&B League play ends February 16th. District playoffs begin on the 21st and run through March 1st.
- Squirt and U10 tournaments will run March 9 - 20.
- All A&B district tournament brackets are available on the D3 web site.
- D3 is holding its association presidents meeting on Saturday, February 7th.
- There are two OMGHA match penalty hearings scheduled for Wednesday, February 11th.

BOOSTER REPORT

ACE REPORT

EQUIPMENT REPORT

REGISTRAR'S REPORT

SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENT REPORT

OMGHA will hold our 21st Annual Scholastic Achievement Award Ceremony on Tuesday April 21, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at Lord of Life Lutheran Church. The committee is currently working on putting the program together, gathering donations, and securing a speaker. On Monday 2/9 a note regarding submitting photos, volunteering to assist with the program and possible donations will be sent to all Team Managers to share with their team. In addition on Monday the program application form will be posted on the OMGHA web page and emailed to Team Managers to disperse to their teams.

We are looking forward to another fun and successful ceremony. We thank the OMGHA Board for your continued support of this worthwhile program.

PERSONAL FUNDRAISING REPORT

VOLUNTEER PROGRAM REPORT

CONCESSIONS REPORT

ARENA COMMITTEES REPORT
ICE COORDINATOR REPORT
SLAP SHOT REPORT
TOURNAMENT REPORT

Old Business

New Business

- Theresa Christofferson and Darcy Pitra presented the Board with a number of Registrar updates. They provided the Board with updated registration numbers for the 2008-2009 Season. We have 988 total players with 78% residing in the current Maple Grove High School boundaries and 22% residing in the Osseo High School boundaries. There are currently 390 players in the House program and 598 in our traveling program. The Board was also provided an update on changes to the MN Hockey registration process and the registration period now running from May 1 to April 30. District Three and MN Hockey are also looking to change the CEP process for next season and are looking to revise the process for Birth Certificates.
- The Board was provided with an update on the OMGHA Restructuring/Rebranding Committees. The Committee had prepared a draft survey and asked the Board for input. Members of the area High School programs were in attendance to present their concerns with any rebranding efforts. The Board informed the High School Coaches of their interest in gathering some input from players and families. The Board took into consideration the concerns of the coaches with the draft and provided the coaches 4 days to respond to the letter with any changes or edits which the committee would try to include in the letter and survey. The Board was also informed the restructuring recommendations would be presented at the March 8 Board meeting.
- An Arena financing update was provided to the Board. The City and members of the OMGHA Executive Committee have been meeting to resolve outstanding issues and to agree on a long-term financing solution. The Executive Committee members hope to have a document to present to the full board for approval in the coming weeks.
- An update of the recent D3 Presidents meeting was provided. Minnesota Hockey and D3 are currently working on a recruitment and retention program. Minnesota Hockey and District 3 are also looking to revise and develop a uniform waiver and residency policy. OMGHA will be presented with a draft on those recommendations this spring. District 3 also wanted to make certain everyone is aware of the National Hockey Coaches Symposium taking place in St. Paul this August. Details of the symposium are available on the D3 website.
- The Board had a discussion regarding tournament planning for 2009-2010 Season. The Board would like to see an 8 team Bantam C and 12 team Pee wee C tournament next year.
- Because representatives of EAH were not able to attend the meeting the discussion of the EAH Program was tabled.

Prior to adjourning the Board was asked about meeting dates for April. To accommodate the Annual Meeting, Easter and Spring Break the April meeting was moved to March 29th. A motion to adjourn was made at 8:55 pm by Tony Kunz, Jim Cassibo 2nd the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

These minutes require Board action to approve them before they become part of the OMGHA permanent records.

Respectfully submitted,

Todd Hill, OMGHA Board Secretary

