

Hastings Hockey Boosters

Monthly Meeting Minutes August 8, 2006

Meeting called to order @ 7:06pm

Roll Call: Jerry Baum, Jeff Kuhn, Mike Klein, Jay Stark, Marty Caneff, Tracie Karbo, Jeff Bussey, Jim Koch, Jim Meier

Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda by Jeff Bussey, second by Jay Stark. All in favor.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes by Jeff Kuhn, second by Jim Koch. All in favor.

Financial/Registration Update: Jim Koch – Reconciliation Statement handed out. Motion to approve financials by Jim Koch, second by Jeff Bussey.

Presidents Briefing:

Jerry Baum – Talked to Mark Jorgensen, President of MN Hockey, and discussed tournaments and several other issues including the new helmet rule. MN Hockey will ask each District to determine the level of the helmet rule enforcement. Bauer has extended a deal for coaches to buy helmets at \$25 each, to keep costs down. There may be a deal coming from CCM also. Another issue is MN Hockey lack of action on re-districting. There's been delays because the D8 rep who's in charge of the issue has been absent for meetings because of health issues.

District 8 Update:

Jeff Kuhn – No meeting last month, there is one on August 9. The major issue is that D8 wants to split into 2 sections, north & south. Some levels will not be able to be split because of too few teams. The new coaches helmet rule will also be a big topic.

District 8 Referee Update:

No update at this time.

AGENDA:

Old Business:

Dryland Facility – The contract with the city has been signed and is ready to go. We now need to work on permits.

Online Registration – Jerry Baum – We had a few glitches, but the site is ready. The merchant accounts are now set up. Site has been tested thoroughly now and it is ready to go tomorrow. The website shows all levels that you are eligible for, according to your age. The site has the minimum \$500 payment option. There was a suggestion to move up the final payment deadline this year. Our goal this year is to have at least 200-250 players register online. Next year we'd like to get close to 100% online registration. December 1st is the deadline for full payment this year. Jeff Bussey and Jerry Baum have put in many hours making online registration possible this year. Thanks for all your efforts.

Registration – Tracie Karbo – All level directors need to find volunteers to cover tables during registration. We will have 4-5 computers set up during registration at the arena for people to register online. Our fees are very competitive and even with the slight increases this year, we're still one of the most affordable hockey programs around. Jerry is working on a comparison chart of fees from other MN hockey associations. All hardship requests will be required to put in more volunteer hours this year. Volunteer hours will be enforced.

Summer Ice – At the meeting in February, the board approved summer ice guaranteeing a certain number of hours. There was a misunderstanding with the agreement. We have exceeded the hours required by 23 hours. The additional ice hours come to \$2,731.25. Matt & Rob have assured us that we have funds covering what we guaranteed. Motion by Jeff Bussey to approved additional funds of \$2,731.25 to guarantee extra summer ice hours from the Boosters budget. Second by Jeff Kuhn. All in favor.

Golf Tournament – As of yesterday we only have 16 teams registered. We need to fill the rest of the spots to make this tournament profitable. Flyers will be put on Culver's trays this weekend.

New Business:

Player Waiver – There's been a request for a waiver for a 2nd year Peewee player, Jerry has denied that request. A Bantam level out-of-town player has requested to get a waiver to play in Hastings. The kids live out of town, but are registered at Hastings schools this year. The family is actively looking for housing within Hastings. The waiver will be approved.

Tournaments – Jeff Kuhn – Tournament date are set: Sugar & Spice Girls Tournament is Dec. 8-10, 2nd Annual Holiday Classic (C Peewee and C Bantam) Dec. 27-30 and AB Peewee Feb. 2-4

There will be team and individual awards for 1st, 2nd, 3rd and Consolation
We will be getting bids for t-shirts, etc. for tournaments on tournament weekends, the level directors should be at their respective tournaments, especially on the last day to hand out trophies. We've also put in a bid to host the A Bantam district tournament.

Handbook Changes – Jerry Baum – Every year the handbook needs to be updated. It will be online tomorrow if approved. Motion to approve handbook changes by Jim Koch. 2nd by Jay Stark. All in favor.

Board Comment:

Marty Caneff – Motion by Marty Caneff to make a change to the U10 level so that kids with birthdates of 7/1/97 – 7/1/98 can only try out for U10 when spots are available and can only play on the U10B team. An exception would be the standing rule that a player can play with their own grade. 2nd by Jay Stark. Six approve, one apposed. Motion passed.

Mike Klein – We need to get a check-out form and deposit for equipment set up, so that we can recover any costs for damaged equipment. Those who check out the equipment will be responsible for any damages. We also need to track what equipments gets handed out to what mini-mites and check it back in at the end of the year. Mike will work on setting up the equipment hand out standards and forms.

Jeff Kuhn – Level Directors need to get all their tournaments in to Jeff Kuhn as soon as possible for scheduling.

Membership Comment:

None.

Next Meeting: **September 12, 2006**

Adjournment: A motion was made to adjourn @ 9:05pm by Jeff Kuhn, second by Jim Meier. All in favor.