



River Falls Youth Hockey Association

February 3rd, 2010 Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday February 3rd, 2010 at 5:30pm

Place: Best Western / Junior's

Board Members Present: Mike Kealy, Dan Briese, Marc Harer, Jon Benusa, Lisa Woiwode, Jesse Getzie, Jody Christensen, Paul Wilson and Kent Manglitz

Board Members Not Present: Dave Buck, Tom Magill, Tracey Laesser

Guests: Shane Dock, Debbie Rotsaert

Notes taken by: Marc Harer

Meeting called to order @ 5:45pm by Mike Kealy

Review of Action Items from previous month's meeting.

Approval of meeting minutes from January 10th, 2010 Board meeting.

Marc motioned to approve meeting minutes, Jody 2nd motion – approved.

FINANCE OPERATIONS

Action Items from last meeting

- ~~Marc will communicate with Mark Lunzer the approval of his request and direct Mark to the website to find a date/time which will work.~~
- ~~Mike will contact Pierce County to see about getting the late fee's waived from the 2007 curb assessment.~~
- ~~Dan will set up signature options for Mike Kealy to be able to sign checks.~~
- ~~Dan will follow up with families which have outstanding balances and provide immediate payment options.~~

Financial Report (Dan)

- Outstanding debt continues to shrink and progress is very positive with a current balance of \$74,124.80. The number of creditors has also been reduced from greater than 12 down to 4.

Raffle – Next Year

- Plans for next year (Marc/Jody) – Marc proposed a potential change to the 2010 – 2011 season raffle to determine if it would be worth completing a formal proposal. The plan would not change the financial obligation, at this time, but would focus on the number of drawings and the amount of the payouts. Feedback from the Board members was mixed with some concern over the current

waiver (for the 2nd skater) when having multiple skaters. Discussions moved toward overall cost (including registration fees, fundraising, volunteer hours, assessments) as balanced against the actual costs incurred.

High School – Phy-ed Program

- The physical education program of the high school has requested to use the Wildcat Centre for a skating class. We will offer the hourly rate of \$135 and \$2 for skate rental.

City of RF – Next Year’s Joint Efforts

- We will continue to work with the city with respect to coordinated efforts related to the outdoor rink.

Kealy Hockey Camp

- Mike Kealy proposed his final plans for a summer skills camp to be held at the Wildcat Centre and requested the board approval in order to move forward.

Jesse motioned to approve the use of the Wildcat Centre by Mike Kealy to host Kealy Hockey Camp for a total of 64 hours over the course of a 2 week period between July 25th and August 5th 2010 at a flat rate of \$1,000, Paul 2nd motion – approved.

Steve Carroll Goalie Clinic

- Jesse Getzie (on behalf of Bill Coggio) presented a request for 2 hours of ice time at the Wildcat Centre to provide a goalie clinic for area’s surrounding River Falls. The clinic will provide a good opportunity for both goalies and coaches to learn the fundamentals of goaltending.

Jody motioned to approve the use of the Wildcat Centre for 2 hours by Bill Coggio/Steve Carroll to host a goalie clinic based on the availability of ice and discount arrangements for RFYHA goalies, Jon 2nd motion – approved.

Twin States – Pool Tournament

- Mike has confirmed the approval by Twin States and is waiting on contract finalization.

Fat Boys Tournament Preparation

- Mike and Jesse have the request to the city in motion for approval of a picnic license to allow for beer sales during the tournament.

Junior’s

- Dan is providing follow-up with respect to the invoicing for dasher add’ and Zamboni art work.

Action Items from this meeting

- *Lisa will work on identifying actual costs incurred by the association for all levels of skater’s vs. the current costs to skater’s/families.*
- *Mike to follow-up with Shelly Kahut-Loomis and provide costs for high school phy-ed use of the Wildcat Centre.*
- *Mike will continue to work with the City on the arrangements for next season.*
- *Mike and Jesse to follow-up on any requirements in order to obtain picnic license from the City to allow for beer sales at the Fat Boys tournament.*
- *Dan to follow-up with Junior’s in relation to payment for advertising dasher*

HOCKEY OPERATIONS

Action Items from last meeting

- ~~Mike will submit the background checks to the state.~~
 - The background checks will be held for this season since we are nearly completed. This will be completed in Sept/Oct for the 2010 – 2011 season.

- *2010/2011 season Mite program planning to be reviewed by Kent Manglitz, Mike Kealy, Andy Halverson and Marc Harer.*
 - *Program description and plan needs to be finalized*
 - *Consideration of WAHA and USA Hockey recommendations needs to be taken.*
 - *This will carry into the March meeting for review/approval as needed.*
- *2010/2011 member projections to be put into electronic format by Marc Harer. Jody has hardcopy to work from.*
- ~~*Marc Harer to send out letter for request of additional ACE Committee member's.*~~

Tournaments

- *Pee Wee Follow-up (Kent) – There was another mismatch of MN and WI teams. All we can do is try to work better on ensuring that the right MN level teams are entering our tournaments.*
- *Bantam preparation – Tournament is full and we are expecting a good turnout.*
- *All other preparation – see above in relation to Fat Boys. Midget/JV tournament is full.*

State Tournament Host 2009 - 2010

- *With there not being enough 2C Pee Wee teams we will not be hosting a State Tournament this year.*
- *Mite/Squirt tournament option – in place of the 2C Pee Wee tournament Shane Dock proposed a Mite (A and B) and Squirt C tournament for the weekend.*

Jody motioned to approve the organization of a Mite/Squirt tournament for the weekend of March 13th, and 14th. Jesse 2nd motion – approved.

2010/2011 Season

- **Member Projections**
- **Registration** – WAHA Registration will require online registration by each family prior to completing registration with the RFYHA. This is a change which has been made by WAHA. After online (WAHA) registration is completed a form will be provided to bring to RFYH registration.
- **Mite Program** – There have been discussions to determine the Mite program for the 2010 – 2011 season. Alignment with surrounding communities such as Baldwin, Somerset and New Richmond with focus on the USA Hockey Advanced Development Model may be beneficial approach. Levels of play, numbers of games, etc. are being reviewed and will be proposed at the March Board meeting.
- **State Tournament Bid** – for the 2011 - 2012 season a bid will be placed for Mite 2B, Mite 2A and U-14.
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Action Items from this meeting

- *Kent, Mike, and Andy continue to review and develop 2010 – 2011 Mite program plan for proposal/finalization at the March meeting.*
- *Mike to contact Tracey for upcoming tournament information. This information needs to be provided to Shane Dock for coordination.*
- *Shane Dock will place the State Tournament bid for the 2011 – 2012 season for Mite 2B, Mite 2A and U-14.*

BUILDING OPERATIONS

Action Items from last meeting

- ~~*Jon will work with Rink Tech to have relief valves replaced as needed.*~~

Concessions

- **Inspection Feedback (Marc)** – the inspection went very well. The only item of concern for the inspector was the identification of the Person in Charge (POC) for each shift. This individual would be the go to person, as needed, for any questions/concerns. Passing along information in relation to the food management training is also something that was recommended to be done at the beginning of each season/year to ensure proper practices are followed.

Compressors

- Rink Tec replaced relief valves to meet the required specifications.
- 1 Fan Bracket on the outside cooling unit was broken. The fan has been disabled and removed until we can get the bracket fixed.

Vending

- Stocking machines, expired items need to be kept up on.
- 2nd Coke Machine is probably not needed. The 1 machine with the open view is enough to handle the requirements. We will keep the 2 machine until it is empty or through the end of the year.

Zamboni

- Dump cylinders have been replaced, valves tweaked and the battery replaced.

Re-Keying of Office door

- We have discussed having the main access doors, concessions and office re-keyed to keep our facilities secure. We will have the interior office door re-keyed at this time and determine when to address the other doors in the future.

Action Items from this meeting

- *Jon will request Gordy's Lock Service to re-key the interior office door.*

COMMUNICATION OPERATIONS

Action Items from last meeting

- ~~*Marc Harer to send out email to association members to determine what type of coverage we may be able to offer for Farm Tech Days.*~~

2010/2011 Season

- Committee changes (Jody)
 - Registration and Registrar should be two separate duties/responsibilities. The amount of work and focus that goes into each is significant. This may require an adjustment to the current volunteer hour allotments.
 - For the upcoming year 2010/2011 the following is a tentative list of individuals that have agreed to help in these efforts:
 - Jody Christensen will help in overall coordination with Natalie Benusa and Tracy Halverson handling the Registrar duties and Debbie Rotsaert handling organization of Registration.

Concession's service hours (Jody)

- There is a request to review the allotted volunteer hours for this season based on the amount of work required and provided.

Jody motioned to grant Stacy Norman full hours for the 2009/2010 season for the concessions work which has been performed. Jesse 2nd motion – approved.

Nomination Committee

- Need to identify Board nomination committee to begin selection of new Board member nominees for upcoming election. Mid March we will expect to send out a request for interested individuals to respond to. A formal nomination will follow.

Action Items from this meeting

- *Review current volunteer hour allotments for Registration and Registrar to determine if a change is needed for the upcoming season.*

OTHER ITEMS

Next board meeting will be held March 14th at 5:30pm @ Junior's Restaurant.

Jon motioned to end meeting at 9:00pm, Paul 2nd motion – approved.