



# TAYHA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

September 10, 2012



## CALL TO ORDER

The September 2012 TAYHA Board of Directors meeting was called to order by Bob Schommer at 7:00 p.m.

Members present were Bob Schommer, Todd Snell, Dan Bushard, Hal Propp, Pam Pardo, Kevin Morris (late), Chip Ahn, Bill Burback, Tim Wallrich, Dale Solheid, Sarah Borowiak, and Marcel Chevrette.

14 general members were also present.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Hal Propp made a motion to approve the August 2012 meeting minutes. Chip Ahn seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Bob Schommer reported that members have been asking him about the costs of playing hockey at TAYHA and how expensive it is. He is in the processing of comparing the costs to other associations in District 2. We are the cheapest by almost half. He will also send this on to members when he has completed his analysis.

He also reminded parents with tryouts coming up, support their son/daughter during this time. Tryouts are stressful for the kids and it doesn't help when parents are coaching in the car before and after each session. He recommends parents to tell them to work hard and have fun.

## VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

No report.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Dan Bushard presented the treasurer's report for August 2012. Net income was \$95,920. Interest earned was \$0. Expenses were \$28,075. As of August 31, 2012 a combined balance of \$228,523 remained in the account.

Marcel Chevrette made a motion to approve the August 2012 treasurer's report. Bill Burback seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The current month's report is available for membership review at the meeting and previous months reports are available to view upon request. Contact Dan Bushard if you have any questions.

Via email prior to this month's board meeting, Dan Bushard made a motion to move the TAYHA bank accounts to Lake Elmo Bank. Chip Ahn seconded the motion. Todd, Dan,



Dale, Sarah, Marcel, Bill, Kevin and Chip voted yes. Hal, Mark, Tim and Pam voted no. Motion carried.

At the meeting, Hal Propp questioned Dan about the analysis he provided the board for the vote. Dan stated that he did not present any of the banks any financials for them to look at and did not go in any of the banks and talk with them to see if they could give us any better deal.

Hal Propp made a motion to not change banks at this time until all the banks could do a full analysis from our financials to see who can give us the best deal. Pam Pardo seconded the motion. Hal, Pam and Bill voted yes. Dale, Dan Chip, Todd, Tim and Marcel voted no. Motion failed.

## **GAMBLING MANAGER'S REPORT**

Bob Schommer gave the July 2012 charitable gambling report for Denny Schutz who couldn't attend the meeting. Gross profits were \$44,045, lawful purpose expenditures were \$973 and total allowable expenses were \$25,180 resulting in a \$17,835 net profit for the month of July.

Pam Pardo made a motion to approve the gambling manager's July 2012 report. Sarah Borowiak seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The current month's report is available at meetings for membership review. Previous month's reports are available to view upon request. Contact Denny if you have any questions on TAYHA's charitable gambling.

Bob on behalf of Denny requested to make a donation of \$10,000 to the general account. Sarah Borowiak made a motion to approve the \$10,000 donation. Pam Pardo seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Sarah Borowiak made a motion to pre-approve the allowable expenses for October 2012. Pam Pardo seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Also in Denny's report was that he will be attending a class on the new forms of gambling and will report what he learned at the October meeting.

Denny was also approached to have gambling at what used to be the Chalet Bar on Rice Street in Maplewood. Denny is not convinced it would be a good idea since this business has failed with the last three owners and it is not really in our Tartan boundaries. A discussion ensued and was tabled.

Hal Propp made a motion to get the annual gambling audit performed not to exceed \$4,600. Todd Snell seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## **DISTRICT 2 REPORT**

Sarah Borowiak reported that White Bear Lake is requesting a rule change for when an association has more than one team at a level that they do not have to be of equal talent. The board does not support this and Sarah will vote this way.



Sarah also reported that she has USA Hockey Grant forms available if anyone is willing to fill them out so the association can get a monitory grant from USA Hockey. If interested, contact Sarah.

The national Try Hockey for a Day is November 3<sup>rd</sup>. No one at this time has stepped up to organize this activity. Brad Martinson stated the arena would donate the ice if we have this event.

## **MAJOR TEAM REPORT**

Dale Solheid reported the following:

- The tryout committee will be having one more meeting to finalize the details for tryouts.
- There will be tryout information meetings for parents on September 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm in the Blue Line Room. Parents who want to know how tryouts will be run or have questions about tryouts should attend one of the meetings.
- He looked into the details of Acceleration running dryland during the season. He wasn't sure if the girls would also like to be a part of this. The price would be more if they do. Dale made a motion to move forward with hiring Acceleration to run dryland during the season. Chip Ahn seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Dale Solheid made a motion for Chip Ahn to be the Squirt A head coach. Sarah Borowiak seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## **MINOR TEAM REPORT**

Sarah Borowiak reported the Tartan Cup is filling up. She is also looking for volunteers to help out organizing and help out at the tournament. If interested, contact Sarah.

## **MITE TEAM REPORT**

Marcel Chevrette reported that flyers were sent to each of the elementary schools in the area to get mites to sign up. A discussion ensued on how we could get more mites to sign up. In the past, Try Hockey for a Day has been the most successful. He will look into organizing this for TAYHA.

## **GIRL'S TEAM REPORT**

Mark Herzog was unable to attend the meeting, but sent the following report:

- Game socks are in and John M will be picking them up.
- The 8U jerseys were ordered last week and expect a 2 – 3 week delivery.
- He is working with the Augsburg College Women's Hockey coach on coordinating evaluators from OS for tryouts as she did last year. Evaluators will be contracted at \$35 per hour. Carrie will also participate in the girls fall warm ups, the tryout committee and help coordinate the on ice evaluation drills.
- The tryout committee will meet on Sunday night and will send out the meeting invite.
- 10U and 12U fall warm ups are going well. The A coaches and the Age Coordinators are leading the effort and wanted to thank them.
- The new age group coordination concept is working well and the guys (Brad Federowski, Kevin Morris and Shane Nason) have really stepped up and taken leadership roles. The next coordinator meeting will be next week and will include



Sarma Osmen (Tartan high school coach). They will be discuss/review basic skating drills to be mastered at every age group – focusing on consistent training.

- November 30<sup>th</sup> is Youth Hockey Night. Youth players get in free with a paid adult if they wear their jersey to the Tartan High School game against Rogers.
- Girl's Hockey Day is January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2013. There will be no high school game that day, but it is the High School Girls Pasta Fundraiser at DeMories that afternoon. The high school players will help out games in the morning – working the clock, penalty box, tying skates, autographs, locker room speeches, etc. In turn, we will promote the pasta feed to help them raise money.
- Mark met again with Sarma to discuss the above mentioned events and asked her for support in preserving the 14U concept as a stepping stone to high school. The discussion went well. If anyone wants details, contact Mark.
- 14U program is currently unknown. There are approximately 5 to 6 players committed from Mounds View (A players). Only one 14U has registered at Tartan. If high school allows all first year 14s to play at high school, then the 14U program is in jeopardy. 14U tryouts are after the high school tryouts. See Player Evaluation page on the web site for dates and times. It should be noted that if the high school does not take first year 14s, there will be sufficient number at varsity, JV and 14U for all three teams to be viable and very competitive.

## **JUNIOR GOLD/JUNIOR GOLD 16 REPORT**

Bob Schommer reported that we are expecting to have a Jr Gold and a Jr Gold 16 team. We will know more once high school tryouts are over. Evaluation for Jr Gold & Jr Gold 16 will be on November 18.

## **INDIVIDUAL TEAM REPORTS/OPEN FORUM**

None.

## **EQUIPMENT REPORT**

John Maslowski and John Arndt reported the following:

- Most of our order with Strauss is in and they will be picking it up this week.
- They were contacted by Pure Hockey. They are looking into growing their business in our area and offered us a \$2000 gift card and a 20% discount to TAYHA members if we put a link on our web site with their email address, send out 4 newsletters in the next year. Sarah Borowiak made a motion to accept their offer. Pam Pardo seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- They also noted that we will not be providing practice jerseys this season since we did not get any from the Degree Hockey Jersey program.
- They also noted that there was a lot of unused hockey equipment the equipment room that is taking up space and would like to get rid of it to make room for new equipment. Dan Bushard made a motion to have a garage sale to get rid of all the excess equipment. Bill Burbach seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## **REGISTRAR REPORT**

Pam Pardo reported that the District 2 registrar will be out of town October 13<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> and will not be available to sign rosters.



Pam also reported that coaches need to complete their entire CEP requirements before roster signing.

## **ICE MANAGER REPORT**

Hal Propp reported that the October practice ice is out and scheduled tournaments are also on the team calendars.

He also reported that he will be submitting blackout dates and home game ice to the district by September 15<sup>th</sup>.

## **FUNDRAISING REPORT & SOCIAL EVENTS**

Stacy Kulevich reported that she will be forming the Silver Plate Dinner committee in October.

## **GOOD AND WELFARE**

Bob Schommer reported that he received a thank you from the Kuehn family for our support for their family.

## **CONCESSION REPORT**

Concession stand will be opening on September 22<sup>nd</sup> and Mite/8U parents need to sign up to work in September and October. Contact Marilee if you have any questions.

## **ARENA/JOINT POWERS REPORT**

Brad Martinson reported the following:

- The concession stand was rewired so we shouldn't have any electrical issues this season.
- The bubble is scheduled to open October 22<sup>nd</sup> weather permitting.
- More 12 inch cones are on order.

Brad also asked if we have enough nets. The board preferred if each rink had 4 nets for each rink, especially when Mites will be moving to cross-ice games only next season. Brad said he will order more nets so each rink will have 4.

## **TEAM WEAR/APPAREL**

Todd Snell reported the following:

- The warm ups we were purchasing have been discontinued and recommended we should go to warm ups that are lined to keep the players warm. Todd made a motion to change to black lined warm ups. Kevin Morris seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Coaches' jackets will be a light weight jacket this year and the heavier ones from last year will be available for new coaches.
- This year shorts (with pockets), polo shirts and Under Armour with the Tartan/Northeast Metro log will also be available.

## **SKATE PROGRAM**

No report.



## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Bill Burback introduced Lisa Burkhart. She has taken on the setting up and maintaining of the TAYHA Facebook and Twitter sites. We will be using these as another form of communication to the membership in addition to the web announcement and the email messages. You can find TAYHA at the following:

Facebook: Tartan Area Youth Hockey Association (TAYHA)

Twitter: Tartan Youth Hockey @Tartan\_Hockey

## NEW BUSINESS

Kevin Morris made a motion to purchase 2 Winning Edge hockey nets at \$550 plus shipping. Hal Propp seconded the motion. Kevin, Hal, Dan, Todd, Bill, Tim, Marcel and Chip voted yes. Pam, Sarah and Dale voted no. Motion carried.

Hal Propp asked the board if we were going to set up concussion base line testing for players this season. Last time, the cost was \$2 per player which parents would have to cover. The board thought that we should do it again. Hal will work with Tonya Weaver to see if she can set this up again.

Bill Burback wanted clarification on how we are reimbursing coaches that complete their CEP requirements. Coaches can either request a cash reimbursement or a coaching jacket.

Alan Reither asked the board the board was interested in placing an advertisement in the high school girl's game program. Todd Snell made a motion to place an advertisement on the inside front cover of the girls high school game program for \$420. Pam Pardo seconded the motion. Motion carried. Alan also asked if anyone has any recent photos with youth girls in their Northeast Metro jerseys to add to the advertisement, send them to him before October 15<sup>th</sup>.

Todd Snell reported that he is in the process of creating a more detailed grievance procedure. The Blue Book states to wait until the next day after the problem occurs before talking to the coach about the situation. If still not satisfied, contact the respective team director. If not resolved, put signed complaint or question in writing and send to vice president. Todd is working on a form to ease the process. More details to follow.

Hal Propp has been contacted by businesses wanting to send our membership advertisement and promotions. We currently do not have a policy on this. Occasionally some hockey related ones have been sent out. He is soliciting feedback from members on whether or not they would want to receive email advertisements or promotions. Some consider it spam and would start ignoring these if it became too frequent. He is not sure if this is the majority of the member's feelings. On options could be to only send these a couple of times a year and only for web sponsors (at possibly a higher cost). If you have any feedback on this please contact Hal Propp.

## ADJOURNMENT

Pam Pardo made a motion for adjournment at 9:06 p.m. Todd Snell seconded the motion. Motion carried.



TAYHA General Membership meetings are held on the second Monday of each month.

The next TAYHA Board Meeting will be held on October 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Tartan Arena Blue Line Room.

Attendance by all parents, coaches and managers is encouraged. In the event that a meeting has to be rescheduled, a notice will appear on the [TAYHA web site](#). For Tartan Youth Hockey information, visit our web site as [www.tayha.org](http://www.tayha.org).

Hal Propp, recording secretary

