

Yankton Area Ice Association

Meeting Agenda

July 8, 2014 – 6:30pm

Ice Rink Meeting Room

Guests Present: Dave Spencer, Sue Zavadil, Kendra Bakke, Ryan Eichacker, Bryan Schoenfelder, Pam Erickson and Chad Kapla

Board Members Present: David Withrow, Ryan List, Rob Barger, Max Roesler, Julie Perakslis, Heath Larson. Not Present: Mike Krajewski

Approval of June board meeting minutes: motion to approve by Ryan, seconded by Heath and passed
Old Business

Finalize Handbook

- Okaying Disciplinary Chair with SafeSport Coordinator
- Bryan S. will check HS training rules
- Bryan says online voting on website on board approved items could be done. Within a week posted on website for board business—items that cannot wait until the next scheduled meeting. These items would be included in the next month's meeting minutes and would be kept in a secured area of the website that only board members have access to.

Riverboat Days Cleanup:

Schedule for Workers:

Friday 7am – 10am: 6 workers needed

8pm-10pm: 12 workers

10pm-1am: 12 workers

Saturday 8am-10am: 6 workers

10am-12pm: 12 workers

Discussion on how to manage volunteering and whether to require players to help. We will also need to know where to get gloves and trash can liners. We need to determine Riverboat Days contact to make sure we can get those items. Dave Withrow will handle this.

- **Riverboat Days parade and Riverboat Days cleanup:** Kris Kopetka and Tanya Taggart are handling float. They will send out email to solicit for help. Dave will send in sign-up for float in parade. New parade item: insurance waiver which Dave will send in with float application. Ryan will pick-up a copy of declarations page from Roger Smith to include with waiver, \$20 and application. Ryan will put in the \$20. Mike is out of town
- **Recruitment Coordinator:** Kara Weinandt will do this for one year. We need to get Kara signed up for set 2 on 2 challenge. This should be done within next month. Requires us to just submit her name, address and phone number and follow the dates they put out. We need to put a group together or as a board divide out a list to call people. Girls **Discover Hockey** dates are set for 11th and 12th of October. This date does not conflict with anything. Chad says he's basing everything they schedule around Discover Hockey. Coaches have to work one session. Chad will recruit coaches that need to step-up and help. Chad will work with Kara on this. Chad will work with players helping out as well. Chad says they'll make sure the JV players will do it all year. Kara would like us to find an assistant to step in the following year with some experience of the role.
- Kevin Perakslis will do **Disciplinary Chair**. Bryan said to have him contact him [Bryan] who will arrange meeting with YHS Ryan Mohrs.

- **Team Coordinators:** MiniMites: Stacey Renken, Mites: Julie Perakslis, Squirt: Lori Pederson, PeeWees: Heidi Berry; Bantams: need to find someone, JV; Kris Kopetka, GJV Amy Johnson; FS: Pam Erickson has this covered
Job Descriptions are being put together by Randy E. He will post on website and he will email out to coordinators. Randy is creating volunteer tab on website.
- **Open Skate:** We are just going to do what we did last year. We will talk to City about Zamboning the ice. Bryan suggests get two or three City Workers to be really trained on Zamboni. We also expect them to clean and we need to let them know we do not want them to have more than 4 workers at any time. We need to make sure we know what admin costs are prior to signing the contract. Bryan asked about considering a flat rate. Discussion on possibility of taking average of last three years' income and just charging City a flat rate and guaranteeing a certain number of hours. Alternatively in contract we need to tell City how many people we need and how much we will pay them. Minimum wage, with maybe a little more for those who run Zamboni. Include expectations for cleaning. Discussion on splitting entrance fee in half with City or charging an hourly rate...We don't need to talk to the City until fall. We will table this discussion for next or later meeting. \$244 per session was average in 2014 and \$290 was average in 2013—less than \$100/hour. If we charged \$100/hour, we would be better off, but we would probably have to run the cleaning and Zamboni since we're renting the ice. Bryan will ask the City if they are open to leasing time on an hourly rate. He will email them this week.
- **Kitchen project:** Cleanup and painting needs to get done. Someone just needs to organize a day and get it done. The little room needs two coats of paint. Room is already primed.

New Business

Coaching

- **Red White scrimmage:** same as camp we offered last year. Around end of August Randy will put information on the website and give a synopsis of what it is. He'll also put in a registration date. Randy said he just needs a week lead time to get it done. FS starting lessons October 23 and on October 19 they are doing Discover the World of FS. Chad will work camp time around Figure Skaters. 6 nights a week is preliminary plan.
- **Colorado hockey group:** set for October. Chad trying to get it all finalized now
- **Level of play :** **30** estimated **PeeWees** (still up in air about whether there is A,B & C—Chad requested 1 A and 1C team based on skill); **Bantams** -2B squads based on Skill- we don't have depth to play at A level-**21-23 likely players**, 22 players is enough for 2 teams. Under 22, one team; Requested 2 **boys JV teams**—we will have **27 players** there. We don't have skill to play Varsity. We could move some Bantams if needed numbers-wise. We would have to adapt the handbook to allow for this. Chad would like to see this be an option. Aberdeen did this successfully last year and developed their Bantam's faster. We will look at it and fix in handbook as necessary. Ryan would like to know a set minimum to have two teams. Boys JV you can roster more than 20. Chad says he knows we can't compete at Varsity and Bantam A levels. Above are the submitted play-down requests.
- Chad would like the **shooting cage** done. He suggested any money left over from red and white scrimmage be used for purchasing the netting on it. We need to get this in sooner rather than later.
- Regarding **practice schedule for ice:** Chad does not agree with alternating practices. He believes it is better to have a set schedule and that consistency is important. He suggests convening an ice scheduling committee. He feels PeeWees are still too young for the late night. Board needs to approve the ice schedule. Chad will have to talk to coaches about their ability

to work with the rotating times. He will create a second version of the ice schedule with alternating schedules (PeeWee, Bantam & Girls JV each having one late practice a week) and we will vote on times at next meeting. Concern with Bantams having all the late practices is at their age, those that drive cannot be on the road after 10pm and they might not be done changing by then.

- **Tournament lock-in for each level:** Do it now before they fill-up and we don't get locked out. Chad will pursue nearby tournaments and get us locked-in so dates are established by season start. Chad said would be easy to get teams for a home Mite festival. Chad and Max will work on a Mite home Festival schedule Date.

Financial: Mike not here and did not send anything.

Fundraising: Dave Spencer: Russ Pearson, Dave Withrow, Rob Klimisch, Matt Walters and Tanya Taggart are working on Fundraising with Dave. Not a lot to report yet. Dave Abbott said he would sponsor a sign-possibly on crow's nest. The Committee has almost 100 people identified to talk to. Dave doesn't think we'll have any trouble selling the spots. Dave thinks we could have about 100K pledged. Dave thinks we could raise more than that, but has nothing concrete yet. Dave talked with Mark Mooney at bank about lending requirements. We could go in stages. Would help if we could get 4H on note for a lower rate. Ryan does not see this being an issue with 4H. Bank would need to know how much money is coming in with pledges and an estimate for the job to get a line of credit. Bleacher guy is coming down next week "Stadium Steve" to do estimate. 85K is current rough estimate, boards rough estimate is 120K. Rob & Heath got some additional estimates as well. Guy from Becker arena coming down 16th or 17th to measure rink. He'll still measure it this year. Becker is willing to take the section we bought from them last year with door and incorporate into new boards. Lights estimate 12-13K. \$5K for equipment room. \$1,500 for another heater: 223K—250K seems like a good estimate for all work. We need to decide now on whether to go forward with everything or just some components. There is concern about safety with bleachers and the crowds involved with Boys JV state tournament, which we are hosting in February. Dave suggests doing bleachers & lights now. Bleachers are our first priority. Dave said bank is easy to work with. We could also do it like a construction loan. Discussion on how we could get by on the current boards. Ryan & Dave think we can band aid them together. Sold signs would be easy to move from old boards to new boards. Discussion on what to do first. Rough estimate on bleachers and lights is 103K. Capital Committee will firm up pledges then go to bank with what they have. Rob thinks we need to move forward. Chad suggested possibly looking for a grant program. Rob will call the guy from Becker tomorrow. Bleacher guy is still coming down. Problem is they have to start production immediately. "Stadium Steve" comes highly recommended. Dave suggested quick meeting on the 20th to see where we are and vote on this. Meeting time July 20 at 8pm. We need to give 3 days notice and can only discuss one topic: Capital Improvements. Double-check by-laws. Ryan will know by then if 4H will sign the mortgage.

Marketing Piece: Dave asked Randy to get marketing brochure on news/front website page. And also blast out to whole association. Dave Spencer will write up and Randy will send out to association. We need to call Mitchell about the boards—they gave the current ones to us. They probably won't want them back, but we need to find out what we/they want to do with them. Chad suggested selling sections to skaters/parents as memorabilia.

Marketing: Look into Crowdfunding Video

Dave W. asked what the agreement with 4H and Hockey is on the rink. Ryan will check into this

Equipment:

- **Skates for open skate:** Randy got enough votes to approve purchasing new skates. Discussion on what other expenses we have coming up. Dave S. says 4th compressor payment coming up. We owe \$1,750 for 4th compressor. Rob said we could pay for it when we get our registration

dollars in. \$800 NGIN bill coming up. 37 days overdue with it. Mike has not gotten to it yet. \$365 bill to register with ISI for Figure Skating. Dave will send email to Mike about getting treasurer's report as well and get things paid. Randy wish list items: learn to skate adjustable skates-quote of \$40/pair. Last time we purchased, we had a sponsor. Also needs more helmets for learn to skate, mites & minimites. Skates 17pair at \$79/pair total of \$1,343

Figure skating: Still working on coaching recruitments. Still looking for an upper level coach. Looking at ISI credentialing. Starting group lessons on October 23rd. ISI approved Feb 21 weekend for Yankton's Competition. Having to move performance up to Feb 28 weekend. Working with Max on this. Still need to through equipment with Sue to ensure they have enough equipment. Still looking at October 19th Discover World of Figure Skating date.

Registrar: Kendra waiting for software program to be up and running. She will meet with Rhonda at some point.

Scheduling: State meeting: Dave W and Chad (tentative) will go. It is on September 20th

Disciplinary: Nothing to report

Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting: August 12th at 6:30pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Julie Perakslis