



# RIVER FALLS YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

## *January 2019 Agenda*

DATE: Wednesday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019

LOCATION: Wildcat Centre, River Falls

ATTENDANCE: Frank Linn, Jody Christensen, Kevin Hare, John Linehan, Neil Accola, Shelly Thompson, Steve Oakins, Paul Bloodhart, Jana Walker, Paul Wilson and Nicole Ralston

ABSENT: Chris Larsen

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm

### **AGENDA**

1. **Welcome, Intro, Agenda Review** **Linn**
2. **Consent Items** (All can be approved in one motion, unless an item is removed by a board member for further discussion) **Linn**
  - A. Agenda Approval  
**Action Item:**  
Approve Agenda and any supplementary
  - B. Approval of Materials  
**Action Item:** Approve meeting minutes from past month.

Motion made to approve all Consent items by John, seconded by Shelly. All in favor.

3. **Guest Comments** **Guests**
  - Doug Black was present to speak about The Fat Boys tournament. Doug spoke of the history of the association and how this tournament has been running for 12 years and is known as a clean and well-run tournament. Doug Black announced that this will be his last year running the Fat Boy's Tournament. He has asked the board to help him seek the right person to step into his role.
4. **Hockey Operations – On Ice** **Hare**
  - Board reviewed the boy's teams for the 2019-2020 season, currently we are looking at;
    - 2 teams for Squirts and Peewees
    - Bantams will have 28 skaters with 7 possible that could play high school. We will possibly be looking at exploring a coop with Baldwin again for the season. Discussions to come this summer. Baldwin numbers are unknown at this point.

- Assessments will be conducted for all levels in March 2019
- Kevin will be scheduling the YE coaches meeting for Squirts/Peewees/Bantams, Mites will be separate
- Transition practices will start in March, Kevin will work the ice schedulers.
- Looking forward Kevin is will be reviewing the practice/game ration in May or June

## 5. Building Events

Linn

- Twin States messaged Frank and will get the contract sent over within the next few weeks.
- Next big event will be The Fat Boys Tournament
- Pool State Tournament is in April
- Boxing event, possibly in June
- Circus, June 15<sup>th</sup> with 430 and 730 shows

## 6. Building Operations

Wilson/Linn

- Roll-off trailer will be sending us a check for the use of are parking lot
- Vote; Paul Wilson made a motion to approve the new refrigeration system. Kevin seconded the motion, all in favor.
  - Capital Campaign committee is still working out the logistics of the fundraiser
    - ✓ Addresses for Alumni have been secured and will be provided to the committee

## 7. Financial Operations

Accola

- Expenses and Income have stayed steady from December 2018.
- Neil is expecting checks from Playdowns
- Circus contract has been received, Board has reviewed and approved. Neil will sign and return.
- Spartan Nash (Family Fresh Owner) and Kraft in conjunction with Kraft Hockeyville program approached with a donation.

## 8. Fundraising Operations

Thompson

- Chipotle fundraiser will be held January 20<sup>th</sup> from 5 to 9 at the Hudson location. Note; online orders do not count. For us to receive credit, families must say it's for River Falls Youth Hockey or present the flyer. We will receive 33% of total sales. If sales do not gross \$300, we will not receive anything.
- Gala is March 16<sup>th</sup> at Kilkarney. Frank will forward the names of the corporate sponsors to invite.
- Managers are communicating that the raffles are due on January 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Chevy test drive, we are requesting Saturday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> but are concerned with Playdowns. Paul Bloodhart will follow up with Shelly, the communication will then go out. We need 20 drivers to participate to receive the fundraiser check.

## 9. External Relations/Recruitment/Advertising

Linn

- Live Barn contract was discussed. Livebarn is a subscription that members can subscribe to watch games/events. We can blackout specific dates/times. Role will need to be designated to help with marketing and IT. Kevin made a motion to install Live Barn, Paul seconded, all in favor.
- Stacy and Kurt are working on marketing/promotion/sponsorship

## 10. Hockey Operations – Off Ice

Christensen

- Ice Schedule for the season was reviewed. One of our issues was that we lost 20 hours in November because of district 2 scheduling.
- Jody is looking into getting an additional hour of Ice team for the Mites
- Tournaments
  - U10/U12 is this weekend. We ended up with 14 teams total. High School game is also scheduled for Saturday. Jody rented a few hours over at Hunt to help with scheduling.
  - Peewee tournament is full - 16 teams
  - Bantam tournament(s) is full - 12 teams each tournament
  - U14 - 5 teams registered, working on securing a few more.

- Looking at the possibility of a November tournament for next year. Surrounding tournaments will be reviewed to see what is being offered during that time frame.
- Tournaments for 2019-2020 Season
  - Dec.6-8-U14-(Note; this is a change from prior years - with D2 not starting squirts until Dec we struggled to get teams, squirts and U12 were switched)
  - Dec.14-15-Mite Extravaganza
  - Jan.10-12-U10/U12
  - Jan.17-19-PW
  - Jan.24-26-squirts
  - Feb.7-9-Bantam b/c
  - Feb.14-16-Bantam a/b
  - March 13-15-mite 1/2 sheet
  - March 20-22-Fat boys
- Tournament fees will be raised for the 2019-2020 Season
  - Squirts/U10/U12 from \$725 to \$800
  - Peewees from \$775 to \$875
  - Bantam/U14 from \$800-\$900
- Tournament registration will now be online via Google Docs. Teams will register and then send in their checks via mail. Google Doc's is free and will help us to eliminate missed teams as several people would have access to the documents.
- Registration for 2019-2020 Season will be on May 15<sup>th</sup> and September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Looking at the possibility on using Goggle Doc's for registration. Members would still need to come to the rink to pay and receive their fundraising. Google Docs would be able to be accessed by several people.

#### 11. Other Business

Linn

- Board meeting has been moved from May 8<sup>th</sup> to May 15<sup>th</sup>.

Motion to adjourn by Shelly; Paul seconded. All in favor.

<u>2018-2019 Calendar - Key Dates</u>	
January 9 <sup>th</sup> , 2019	RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm
January 11 <sup>th</sup> -13 <sup>th</sup> 2019	U10/U12
January 18 <sup>th</sup> -20 <sup>th</sup>	PeeWee A/B & B/C
January 25 <sup>th</sup> -27 <sup>th</sup> 2019	U14
February 8 <sup>th</sup> -10 <sup>th</sup> 2019	Bantam B/C
February 13 <sup>th</sup> , 2019	RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm
March 13 <sup>th</sup> , 2019	RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm
February 15 <sup>th</sup> -17 <sup>th</sup> 2019	Bantam A/B
March 15 <sup>th</sup> -17 <sup>th</sup> 2019	Mite ½ Ice
March 16 <sup>th</sup> , 2019	Gala
March 22 <sup>nd</sup> -24 <sup>th</sup> 2019	Fat Boys
April 10 <sup>th</sup> , 2019	RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm
May 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2019	RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm
May 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2019	Registration for 2019-2020
June 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2019	RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm
June 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2019	Circus
July 10 <sup>th</sup> , 2019	RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm
August 14 <sup>th</sup> , 2019	RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm
September 11 <sup>th</sup> , 2019	Registration for 2019-2020
September 11 <sup>th</sup> , 2019	RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm
October 9 <sup>th</sup> , 2019	RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm
November 13 <sup>th</sup> , 2019	RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm
December 6 <sup>th</sup> , 2019	U14 Tournament