

**Ely Blue Line Club Meeting Minutes      Wed. Dec. 6 @ 5:00pm GEL Conference Room**

**MEETING CALL TO ORDER:** 4:59pm

**ROLL CALL:** April Basarich, Edie Renner, Tim Hegman, Joseph Carter, Jen Westlund, Scott Kochendorfer, Amy Kromer, Danille Nickolson, Jeremy Pace, Sara Feytko, Mandy Mattilla, Tara Shock, Sandy Kari,

**AGENDA ADDITIONS & DELETIONS:** Delete discussion on Squirt play time and fundraising ideas. Add National Anthem, Concessions credit card, Chamber bucks for hosted tournaments, TeamReach

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Will wait to approve until we review further

**APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT:** Issues with Quickbooks still, so the balances are off now, payroll not posting accurately, concessions are loading properly, Motion to approve April, Danielle second

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** GEL room secured through April, February we'll use game room instead, question as to who fills in MDH form treasurer historically fills in, received final bill for water heater \$6,924.30 is Blue Line portion - will use Frandsen Account to make this payment, business amazon account would allow us to be tax exempt - Scott will create account and add users, Consider rounding prices to nearest dollar in concessions next season to get rid of need for coin change, ***Increase petty cash on hand from \$150 to \$300 with a more secure dropbox - Danielle motion, April second***

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** District would like someone from our association to sit on a DEI webinar - April is interested in attending

**COACHES' REPORT:** Sounds like paperwork is coming in and close to meeting deadlines. Volunteer hours currently go to head coach and asst coach. Consider more coach allotment for mini mite and mites at some point. ***Motion to honor volunteer hours for Nate by Jen, second by April. Motion to allow additional squirt coach with understanding behavioral expectations are discussed with Joseph and hours are negotiable by April, second by Mandy. Motion to approve 15 volunteer hours for Ryan by Joseph, second by Jen***

**REF UPDATE:** Things going well

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- **Board Meeting Communication Expectations** - We need to start limiting the amount of time speaking due to length of agenda, possible Robert's Rule of Order to run meetings, allow for people to vote against, discussion should follow motions
- **From Annual Task Calendar**
  - Arena Staff performance Review
  - Analyze Web Domain elyhockey.org, renew Jan. 7th - Tara received email renewal she will send to Scott, Approximately \$32/year
  - Submit MN Charitable Organization Annual Report - Tara and Scott will begin working on this
- **Picture day review** - Sounds like it went well with Tara and photos look good. Timing worked well

- **Jersey update** - Ordered done and in
- **Sponsorship Updates** - Almost done
- **Skate with Santa Dec. 17th 2-4pm** - Could we extend one hour to allow minis to attend? Sandy will ask Tara B - Danielle will make 100 cookies - PTO will cover the rest and help advertise
- **Tournament Coordinator Position Update** - Alison Pace will take on Howler - can Carley get volunteer hours for assisting Alison, Beth will take PeeWee District **Motion to approve 10 volunteer hours for Carley by Joseph, second Danielle, no opposed**
- **Water Fountain/Bottle Filler Station** - Tabled, not a pressing need one by locker room is working as it should
- **Neck Guards** - April will put a reminder on TeamReach, Tim will remind coaches to do a check.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

- ~~Squirt Play Time~~
- **Additional Fundraisers Options - QR Code/Account for donations** - No account for donations has been set up
- **VCC Player Volunteer Offer Penalty Boxes** - Sara spoke with Tom Coombe and they will cover shifts in January and February
- **Arena Parking Lot, basketball hoops, track material storage?** - Poorly lit, can we add reflective tape to the hoop pole? **Joseph will ask school about adding reflective tape for safety concern, as well as pinch point with one way in/out**
- **New Arena Sub Committee** - Keep the committee small for nimbleness - board members and some outside the group. Alison Pace, Jace Myers, Sandy Kari, Joseph Carter, Amy Kromer are very interested, Joseph will contact
- **HS & Mite Practice Day Lunch Reimbursement** - Mite and High School had a combined practice, April offered lunch, possible to get reimbursed for \$145. Joseph motion to approve, Danielle second
- **Review of Goalie Policy - Goalie Retention Recruitment** - Follow up to see which kids at Mite level can attend Goalie practices - can a coach go with them. Squirt level needs to start really examining a dedicated goalie for that level. **Motion to approve 2 danglers up to \$100 for Blue Line equipment by Joseph, second by Scott no discussion or opposition**
- **First Aid Thank You** - Scott will send thank you to Tiff Zemke from Blue Line for coach and high school training on First Aid/CPR/AED/Narcan, Kits will be in coaches room.
- **New Referees** - 5 new referees this year last year we had a \$100 reimbursement for doing 3 games, don't feel necessary at this point due to not need as we had in past years
- **Volunteer Hours for Rachel Thom** - Danielle motion Rachel gets 2 hours and Scott will send a thank you note, Joseph second, revised the discussion with hours based upon scale of what others are contributing, passed after discussion
- **Opening Concessions during open hockey and practices** - Sara approached to get volunteer hours when keeping concessions open between games and a practice - currently short on volunteer time cannot offer hours for that work. Possibly revisit the vending machine.
- **National Anthem** - Suggestion to record Ely High School choir to sign to play or get an anthem with words. Danielle will talk to Mr. Rouse.
- **Concession Credit Card** - Due to unreliable Sullivan's would like a credit card for concessions for online ordering. Joseph and Scott will discuss
- **Chamber bucks for hosted tournaments** - Silver Bay offered chamber bucks for hosted tournaments. Scott will look into options, Alison may have done some work on this already for Howler. Any ideas bring to Alison (through Jeremy) or Beth.
- **TeamReach** - TeamReach is a good way to connect with families do we want to allow more access to other team pages - Joseph will consider access
- **Concerns** - unless brought to the board we cannot address issues

- **Square Reader** - not covered under warranty, Edie may have an option to donate she will share with Mandy. Mandy will let us know, new Square is about \$300, look at a new POS monitor that may be easier to use

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- Nomination Committee - Joseph lead - NA
- Tournament Committee - Alison Howler, Beth Districts lead - NA
- Fundraising Committee - Nicole lead Amy apparel - Apparel will be here week of Dec. 11, Clubs Choice Dec. 19th delivery at 2:30, will be an additional ordering window for apparel Dec. 29- Jan. 10, week Jan. 29 delivery
- Volunteer Policy Committee - Amy lead - Amy sent 2 different versions we need choose which we'd approve
- Girls' Hockey Committee - April lead - Girls locker room/Ref room - Mandy has printed signs to designate who is in room (ref, girls or open) - DJ is now aware of sharing. Requesting girls change quickly Danielle is taking the lead.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

**NEXT MEETING:** January 3, 5pm GEL Conference Room

**ADJOURN:** 7:20 motion by Joseph, second by Jen

#### **Upcoming dates:**

- February 9-11 - Howler Jamboree
- February 16-18 - PeeWee Districts
- March 26 - Sportsman Raffle Drawing

***Parking Lot for Future Not on Agenda:*** Covid safety committee, Ely school district contract reexamine in July, team building ideas, preseason ref meeting and expectations, skate up schedule formalized (pick up February), reexamine fundraising (Cash calendar), emergency action plan (Brooke lead), Electronic rink rat form (Nicole), additional Babbitt ice times this summer during contract negotiation, handicap seating at arena, Long term strategic planning group, policies fees early registration in August, Locker room monitor as a volunteer position,

#### ***Motions on TeamReach***

December 7: ***Motion to approve up to \$800 for a new Square register, including stand by Danielle, second by April*** 8 yes votes, 0 no votes, no discussion, motion passed