



# OSSEO-MAPLE GROVE HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

## Board Meeting Minutes- Approved

Date: November 8, 2009  
 Location: Maple Grove Community Center

<b>Executive Members</b>		Present	Absent	<b>Non-Voting Members</b>		Present	Absent
President	Todd Hill	x		Ace Coordinator			
Vice President Traveling	Tony Kunz	x		Ice Coordinator	Greg Herdine	x	
Vice President Traveling	Tim Clark	x		Asst. Treasurer	Kathi Kmit		x
Vice President Girls	Lance Olson	x		Asst. Treasurer	Alisa Cardinal		x
Vice President House	Brad Tullberg	x		Equipment Manager	Todd Machlitt	x	
District 3 Rep	Todd Elmer	x		Concession Stand Mgr	Peggy Rogers		x
Treasurer	Jim Cassibo	x		Concession Stand Mgr	Joy Kunz		x
Secretary	Dennis Smith	x			Theresa Christofferson	x	
<b>Direct Elect Board Members</b>		Present	Absent	Asst. Registrar	Darcy Pitra	x	
	Denise Hinton			Web Master	Todd Frisvold		x
Charitable Gambling	Hinton	x		Asst. Web Master	Greg Heiser		x
Asst. Charitable Gambling	Jay Tilton	x		Community Development	Laura Shoults		x
<b>Directors</b>		Present	Absent	Volunteer Coordinator	Dana Johnson		x
	Erik Kukkonen			Volunteer Coordinator	Jill Wente	x	
Mite Director	Kukkonen	x		Scholastic Achievement	Darcy Pitra	x	
SuperMite Director	Curtis Janicke	x		Tournament Chair	John Griffith		x
U10 Girls Director	Jason Hill	x					
U12 Girls Director	Ken Helvey	x					
U14 Girls Director	Dan McLean	x					
Squirt Director	Mike Hoben	x					
Squirt Director	Joe Shoults	x					
PeeWee Director	Jeff Huff	x					
PeeWee Director	Jeff Slattery	x					
Bantam Director	Doug Scites	x					
Bantam Director	Kent Gerloff	x					
Jr. Gold Director	John Anderson	x					

The meeting was officially called to order by Todd Hill at 7:03 pm.

Todd Elmer made a motion seconded by Tim Clark to approve the October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2009 Board Minutes, the motion passed unanimously.

### **Treasurers Report – Jim Cassibo reporting**

- Jim presented the Key Financial Metrics. OMGHA has a current COH of approximately \$644,000. This number is high due to registration funds have been received with minimal expenses paid thus far. We have not received nor paid our Osseo East invoice for last years use which will be about \$100,000.

### **Charitable Gaming Report – Denise Hinton reporting**

- Denise provided the Board with our Charitable Gaming update. Denise Hinton made a motion to approve the anticipated expenses for October, Jason Hill seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

## OMGHA Committee Reports

### **BOYS TRAVELING REPORT**

1. Tryouts have been completed for Bantams, Peewees, and Squirts.

### **GIRLS TRAVELING REPORT**

#### **10U Program**

1. U10 Teams were announced Thursday, November 05, 2009
  - a. One (1) U10A Team and Three (3) balanced U10B Teams

#### **12U Program**

1. District Games under way.
2. Teams are off to a great start.

#### **14U Program**

1. High School Tryouts – Week of November 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - We anticipate losing only a few players
2. Teams are off to a great start. Both teams have been extremely competitive early on.
3. District 6 is hosting U14A League. District 6 scheduling Meeting - November 10th

#### **19U Program**

1. We will need to recruit players from within OMGHA and district 3
2. Greg Rogers is potentially interested in returning as the U19 Head Coach
3. Applying for tournaments

### **HOUSE PROGRAM REPORT**

1. HEP evaluations took place on October 24th. Thanks to everyone who helped out.
2. SM/U8 teams begin skating on Saturday November 7.
3. Mite teams begin practice on November 15.
4. Mini Mites begin practice November 21.
5. Currently there are;
  - 10 Supermite teams
  - 3 U8 teams
  - 5 Mite II teams
  - 4 Mite 1 teams
  - 2 Girls Mite teams.
6. The U8 teams will begin playing in the District 3 U8 league in late January.

### **JUNIOR GOLD REPORT**

1. We participated in a District 3 Jr Gold Planning Meeting and it looks like the Metro League will support 65-70 teams in the Metro Area. Jr Gold Hockey continues to have strong support and the number of teams continues to grow. Wayzata is going to have up to 7 teams, OMGHA is looking at 3 teams, and two private schools are going to be sponsoring teams including Totino Grace and Benilde St. Margaret's.
2. Jr Gold Pre-skates started on November 1. 30 skaters have signed up and its good see the boys getting the rust off their skates. Pre-skates will run from Nov 1-18.
3. Jr Gold Registration is set for November 18th, 6:00-8:00pm room 127. We are working with Theresa and Darcy to set up a smooth process to handle the USA Hockey registration process we now have to go through. Registration information is available on the OMGHA website.
4. Jr Gold Tryouts are scheduled for November 21-24. We have a concern that we may be short on numbers to field 3 teams. Osseo and MG High schools have indicated they will be cutting very few players from their squads. We are working with Wayzata Jr Gold in case we fall short of enough players to field 3 teams, and we could possibly rainbow a team with them. As is typical with Jr Gold, we'll have a good grasp on our numbers the first night of try-outs.

5. We are working with our Jr Gold coaches to make sure we meet the new covenants outlined by Theresa with regards to CEP cards, approved levels, on-line USA registration, etc.

### **DISTRICT 3 REPORT**

1. Ref's Report: Ref's Clinics Completed.

2. Directors Report: Held maroon director meeting. Minnesota Hockey is considered Tier II. All AAA teams are considered Tier I. Should not be playing Tier I teams.

State meeting in December will be looking at revising residency policy.

3. Presidents Report: Looking at a D 3 rec hockey league for Peewee and Bantam age kids. 16-18 weeks in length

4. Administrators Report: Various scheduling meeting taking place. If coaches not present at coaches and managers meeting, coach will be suspended for one game.

5. C League Report: Fewer C teams with in D 3 but more from other communities.

6. Recruiting and Retention: OMGHA needs a recruiting and retention coordinator.

7. Association reports: Most associations reporting about a 5% decline in enrollment.

### **8. NOVEMBER D3 MEETING**

- The November D3 meeting will begin at 6:00 with a presentation by Minnesota Hockey. This will include Board Members from Minnesota Hockey including President Dennis Green who will update District 3 on important issues. Minnesota Hockey historically has participated in these open forums several times, the last one being about 4 years ago. Presidents, Board Members, Association Members, and interested persons are encouraged to attend. MH presentation will last about an hour followed by the D3 November meeting.
- The meeting will be held at the Crystal Community Center, 4800 Douglas Drive N.

### **ACE COORDINATOR REPORT**

### **EQUIPMENT REPORT**

### **REGISTRAR'S REPORT**

### **SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENT REPORT**

### **PERSONAL FUNDRAISING REPORT**

1. The OMGHA Personal Fund-Raising Program is well underway for the 2009-10 season and has already distributed more than \$7,000 in vouchers to nearly 50 OMGHA families through November 1<sup>st</sup>. That's already 24% of the record total \$30,000 distributed through the program in 2008-09. A summary report comparing voucher distributions for the last 5 years is attached.

### **2. MGCC Concessions**

Over OMGHA 40 families are participating in the voucher program at the Maple Grove Community Center Ice Arena, with another 25 families indicating interest in participating in working in the concessions area. In addition to the vouchers provided to these families, more than 50 hours of volunteer requirements were completed by families working at the MGCC Ice Arena concessions in October.

### **3. Osseo Concessions**

The Osseo Arena concessions has nine families participating in its opening/closing positions for the 2009-10 season. The concessions opened for operations on October 17<sup>th</sup>.

### **4. Food Perspectives**

Information about the Food Perspectives program has been displayed on the OMGHA website under the "Personal Fund-Raising" section. OMGHA members can sign up to participate in the program on-line ([www.foodperspectives.com](http://www.foodperspectives.com)).

## **PROJECT I.C.E.**

### **1. Contributor Recognition Project**

OMGHA is proceeding with the final design and construction of the Project I.C.E. Contributor Recognition Column to be located adjacent to The Lookout Lounge area in the main lobby of the Maple Grove Ice Arena. Mav's Construction has been chosen to construct the display and Valley Casting will be producing the contributor name plates for the project. Pending final approval from the City of Maple Grove Park Board, completion of the project is being planned for late November/early December.

In addition to the recognition column, the OMGHA volunteer group working on this project is also seeking cost estimates for the design and installation of a team photo wall between the Premier and West Arenas that will display all OMGHA teams (similar to the south wall of the Osseo Arena lobby area), as well as a bulletin board to post association news and information. These items will only be added if the budget permits or if they can be either donated or paid for with contributions from outside organizations or businesses.

### **2. Gift Item Distribution**

Approximately 50% of the gift items from the Project I.C.E. internal, capital campaign have been distributed. Remaining recognition items are currently being distributed through team managers – contributors with Bantam- and Pee Wee-age players have all received their items. Families with Squirt-, Mite- and Girl's-level players should receive their gift items before the end of November.

OMGHA families that contributed to the Project I.C.E. capital campaign can also contact Jeff Mordhorst at 763-551-4765 (home) or 612-554-5714 (cell) to arrange for pick-up or delivery of their item.

## **VOLUNTEER PROGRAM REPORT**

## **CONCESSIONS REPORT**

## **OSSEO ARENA COMMITTEE REPORT**

## **ICE COORDINATOR REPORT**

## **TOURNAMENT REPORT**

## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**

1. Try out update – discussed goalie movement for the boys that their traveling committee has been considering as well as the possibility of a player being moved from B2 to a C team. We also discussed how to generate more goalie interest for the girls and the girl's committee decision to move a U10 goalie to U12. The House program is working out the East/West division specifics.
2. Waiver Request – Corey Laylin's 2 boys; the waiver request from Corey Laylin was voted on, and passed with a 6-1 vote. The full board will vote on this request at the Nov. 8, 2009 meeting.
3. Game Speed – Terry Gallagher has volunteered to coordinate the process and invoicing for this upcoming year again.
4. Jersey Plans – we discussed replacing the white jerseys for next year and also develop a plan as to how to manage the selling of the older jerseys.
5. Contract Level Approvals: we discussed at what level a contract, if any, should require a full board vote or an executive committee vote.
6. Dry Land at MGCC: the traveling VPs and House VP will meet to recommend a plan for easier use for the upcoming year.
7. Ace Coordinator position – we discussed the role of the ACE Coordinator and a job description will be placed on our web site and applications will be received.
8. XL Hockey – we discussed if we should allow them to place information on our web site. The decision was made that they can advertise on our website or with OMGHA in other ways.
9. Vendor Selection/Team Fittings for Apparel – the fittings have gone well so far and we will have additional fitting times for the squirts and house teams.
10. Project I.C.E. recognition column – the progress of this was reviewed and Jeff Mordhorst will be providing additional bids for review shortly.
11. USA Hockey's position on H1N1 Recommendations – we discussed the new policy for ways to prevent this virus and will communicate USA Hockey's decision with all OMGHA coaches. We also discussed what enforcement measures should be in place for compliance of the new procedures.

12. Handbook Update – the need was discussed for updating this document. Dennis will begin this process in November.
13. Goalie Clinics – we discussed ways to gain more interest in playing this position using clinics and other rotation methods.

## **DEVELOPMENT REPORT**

1. OMGHA will have a booth at Santa's Magical Workshop, Saturday November 28<sup>th</sup> at The Fountains at Arbor Lake.
  - We will be selling wreaths for fundraising and raising awareness of OMGHA within the community.
  - There will be many other activities such as Photos with Santa from 9 am - 1 pm (CL!X provides the photo station for Santa with sleigh and props... CL!X will give away free 5x7 photos for anyone who brings a donation for CEAP).
  - Santa strolls around The Fountains to greet shoppers and kids from 1-3 pm.
  - Mrs. Claus will have a station to make ornaments with kids: 10-3.
  - Carolers will walk around the event singing Holiday Songs: 10-3.
  - Dickies BBQ will have sandwiches, etc - other food vendors to be determined: 10-3.
  - A magician will stroll around the event: 10-3.
  - Stores within the Fountains will either have a tent/booth in the parking lot doing things for kids (face painting, sports things, etc) or will have special mini-events in their stores: 10-3.
  - The Fountains sponsors a 'passport' contest - where attendees go to each of the participating shops to get a passport stamp and then enter into a drawing for a prize... usually about \$1000 worth of prizes: 10-3.
  - I am seeking volunteers to host this event, please contact Dana and Jill if interested. Please mark down this date and come out and support OMGHA.
2. Soon we will be announcing a calendar fundraiser...please watch your email and mailbox for upcoming details.
3. The Gala Celebration date has been set for April 16, 2010. We are working on gift basket ideas and will be making announcements on this very soon.

## **Old Business**

- State Tournament Banners: the banners are not hung yet and the date for hanging will be set soon.
- Review of Osseo Arena Renovation Project: a gift of appreciation was given to Jeff Slattery's two sons for the countless hours they spent on this project throughout the summer and in the fall. Additionally, the Osseo arena manager has requested that there be no foot hockey or playing with hockey sticks in the lobby.
- GALA Update: the date has been selected for this year's GALA celebration; April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at the Rush Creek Golf Course.

## **New Business**

- Greg Snyder (coach selection and skill development): Greg addressed the board in regard to the coaching selection process and improvements that could be made thereto. A discussion ensued regarding his suggestions of a data base of coaches, coaching resumes, the interview process, a point system for coaches, and criteria used for coach selections. Greg was asked by Todd Hill if he would be interested in serving on a new committee the board was considering creating that would address the coach selection process, Greg accepted such an invitation. Greg attempted to yield the floor to Chuck Sinjem. Todd Hill raised a procedural question under Robert's Rules of Order. Individuals in attendance argued Greg was allowed to yield the floor under Robert's Rules. The board allowed the discussion to continue but for future custom and usage acknowledged that the speaker was out of order. The Board later confirmed the action taken by Greg was not allowed as there was no motion before the board which under Robert's Rules means no the action of yielding can be granted. The Board also believes the action of

yielding is only granted to those individuals serving on the Board and not individuals otherwise in attendance. Chuck Sinjem, former ACE Coordinator, was allowed to raise his concerns regarding OMGHA. He expressed concerns about the goalie evaluators at tryouts and the coach selection process. Being charged with these tasks in the past as ACE Coordinator, Chuck confirmed that the processes he used in his capacity as Ace Coordinator were the same used this season.

- MG Dry Land Use for 2009-2010: the on-line sign-up process was discussed and the web master (Todd Frisvold) will develop this and place on our web site.
- CO Poisoning Claim and H1N1 Discussion: a discussion was held in regard to the CO certifications that are mandated by state law and the recommendations by MN Hockey in regard to H1N1 prevention.
- Team Sponsorships: a request was made by a team seeking individual team sponsorship. After a discussion on what is the percent retained by the team and percent retained by OMGHA, a motion was made by Todd Elmer and seconded by Jason Hill that Jim Cassibo will have the flexibility to negotiate the percentage with the team, based on the circumstances, for the percentage for the team to retain from fifty percent (50%) up to seventy-five percent (75%). The remainder would be the portion retained by OMGHA. This will be for sponsorships/donations where the company making the contribution is seeking a tax receipt letter from OMGHA that qualifies for the 501-c-3 IRS rule. The motion passed unanimously. A request has been made to the development director, Laura Shoultz, to review this and make a recommendation to the board at the end of this hockey season.
- Coach Approvals: a motion was made by Brad Tullberg and seconded by Jason Hill to approve the following head coaches.
  - MiniMites  
Erik Kukkonen/Curtis Janicke
  
  - Mite 1s  
Gophers: Lance Tollas  
Wolverines: Jeff Price  
Tigers: Scott Botzet  
Huskies: Steve Fischer
  
  - Mite 2s  
Black Bears: Erik Kukkonen  
Irish: Curtis Janicke  
Bulldogs: Tim Jacobs  
Spartans: Tim Thomas  
Badgers: Mark Ellingson
  
  - Girl Mites  
Team USA: Luke Johnson  
Team Canada: Mark Johnson
  
  - Supermites –  
Mike St. Martin  
Mike Urquart  
Chad Stelljes/Roger Stelljes  
Curtis Janicke/Erik Kukkonen  
Jeff Monk  
Jesse Braasch  
Jeff Mutz  
Jeff Price  
Chris Modene  
Rich Sharp
  
  - U8 Girls  
Pat McManaman  
Brad Dahl

Todd Bergland

- U10 Girls
  - A: Tony Kuntz
  - B: Black - Ben Worel
  - B: Crimson - Jim Cassibo
  - B: Orange John Grafstrom
  
- Squirt
  - A: Jason Kelley
  - B1: Orange Jesse Carlson
  - B1: Crimson Todd Bergland
  - B2: White Dean Stolp
  - B2: Black Dave Schneider
  - B2: Maroon Tim Moncur
  - C: John Shandlely
  
- PeeWee
  - B1: Bill Calengor
  - B1: Matt Lanou
  - B1: Tom Miller
  - B2: Tim Clark
  - B2: Sean Flaherty
  - B2: Wade Huber
  - C: Brian Carlson
  
- Bantam
  - B1: Orange: Jamie Engle
  - C: Cody Zambrano

The motion passed unanimously.

- Waiver Request for Cory Laylin's two sons: the waiver request was presented to the board. A motion was made by Curtis Janicke and seconded by Mike Hoben to allow Cory's two sons into OMGHA for the 2009-2010 hockey season. The motion passed with 20 votes for the motion and 1 in opposition.

**A motion to adjourn was made at 8:14 pm by Todd Elmer and Jim Cassibo seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

These minutes require Board action to approve them before they become part of the OMGHA permanent records.  
Respectfully submitted,  
Dennis Smith, OMGHA Secretary