

**Mankato Area Hockey Association  
 Monthly Meeting Minutes  
 Monday, July 12, 2010  
 North Mankato Fire Hall  
 North Mankato, MN**

**Board Members attending:** (X = present, E= excused absence)

Jason Westerlund, Pres.	x	Dave Breiter	x	Holli Loe	E	Shelli Nornis	x
Kirk Swenson, V.P.	x	Darren Bruns	x	Chad Lebert	x		
Sue Salzle, Treas.	x	Lynette Cline	E	Tresa Lacina	E		
Traci Hays, Secretary	x	Shaun Reddy	x	Char Rivers	E		
Mike Steindl	A	Jeff Nickels	x	Steve Zellmer	A		

**Other Members**

Jo Nickels, Gambling Mgr.	E						
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**Meeting Called to Order:**

Meeting called to order at 7:10pm by President Jason Westerlund

**Guests:** Nate Brekke, Furnace Filter Presentation for Fundraising for MAHA

**John Sanford, New Ulm Hockey Association**

**Brian Landereville, Vice President New Ulm Hockey Association**

**Bill Ries, Coach for New Ulm Hockey Association**

**Mark Broman, U14 girls parent**

**Mike Colbrunn, U12 girls parent**

**Girls U14 team – Coop with the New Ulm and other associations to form a team**

- **Concerns:**
  - o **Ice Time**
  - o **Coaches**
  - o **Tournaments**
  - o **Registration**
- John passed around a list of girls that would be eligible for U14
- For the registration process they would like to see U14 on the list as a team to register for
- Bill Ries would like to be the U14 coach as he will have a daughter on the team
- Ice times, Mankato parents do not want to continually travel to New Ulm for practices. Would like to see ice time at both facilities. Can it be split 60/40 with the majority of the ice be in Mankato.
- They feel that both associations would benefit from tournaments. Give them a home tournament in Mankato and one in New Ulm plus one travel. For the travel each family would have to pitch in.
- They would prefer to U14A but if that would happen we would be redistricted to District 6. Would we need to go to A or could we go B?
- Last year they were given concession from USA Hockey to play JV teams.
- Would be open to having a coach from both Mankato and New Ulm coach this team.
- Would need to determine how we would do registration and the registration fee.
- [Sanford@newulmtel.net](mailto:Sanford@newulmtel.net), e-mail address to contact John Sanford
- **Next Wednesday at 7pm at the New Ulm Country Club is the next New Ulm Hockey Association Board meeting.**

- If we have 66% of the team that much ice would be in Mankato and the other 34% would be in New Ulm. If we could agree in principal that we are going to have a team. Then go through the registration process to see where our numbers are. Then we can average it out and pay as you go.
- Each association would have to register their own players. How do we break it out so that everyone is paying equal.
- Want to keep it simple for both associations.
- They are estimating that we would have 13 players. Ice in New Ulm is \$112.50 an hour. With this calculation we would need to set a registration fee at approximately \$800.00. Would it help to break it down if we shared ice with the Bantams or U12's.
- Broman's and Paulson's are 4 of the members of the team.
- They are not opposed to finding a sponsor for the team.
- Is it a good idea to get parents of the eligible players together and explain what is being proposed.
- Within MAHA how do we keep our kids in the association at the higher levels (Bantam's, U12's etc).
- Next step would be to get a commitment from parents. After that we would need to figure out the costs.
- John Sanford would like to have a representative from MAHA to be a part of a committee. Kirk Swenson is willing to represent MAHA and Traci Hays will help out if needed.
- Traci Hays will communicate with Mr. Sanford as to the next step.
- **Proposal:** We would have the majority of the players, they can enroll in Mankato and they can pay our registration fee.
- Get a hold of Tom and confirm what district we are going to play in and are we going to play A or B?

#### **Miscellaneous:**

- How do we retain excellent coaches at the upper levels?
- At Minnesota State University they have welcome tables set up when the students come back to school. Nate Brekke suggested it may be a good idea to set up a MAHA table and try to get some coaches etc. The Board felt this was a good idea.
- Nate Brekke will come up with a new logo so we can then talk to Dan and order new stickers for next season.
- MAHA night at the Moon Dogs – call Kyle 507-420-0385 (set it up for next year) presold tickets.
- We need to contact the HOC committee to see where they are at as far as contacting coaches for the upcoming season.
- Transition from Tom to Chris - structure.

#### **Review and Approve current agenda**

Motion to approve agenda

M/S/P: Jeff/Shawn

#### **Review and Approve Minutes of last regular meeting**

General discussion covering the minutes. Motion to approve minutes.

M/S/P: Kirk/Shawn

#### **Gambling Manager Report and Expense Approval:**

##### **Reviewed the LG1004.**

- Monthly gambling report will be sent out via e-mail. Bank statements were late.
- There was a \$10,000.00 transfer from Gambling to the General Fund

M/S/P: Will approve when reports are sent out and reviewed

**Treasurers Report:** - Sue Salzle

- Reviewed the Check Register
- Sue is going to bill a total of \$3300.00 for Goals for Kids to Eide Bailly and Earl Johnson Furniture.

Approved the Check register

M/S/P: Darren/Chad

**Fundraising Report:** Char Rivers

- Nothing to report

**Presentation from Nate Brekke regarding the sale of Furnace Filters**

- Things that people should use will hopefully sell better.
- They will come up with a pricing system for about 10 different types. He can offer good filters for \$4.50 dollars a filter and we will make \$1.50 per filter. These filters can't be purchased at Menard's etc.
- Nate would also provide us with an order form. On this form we will gather their e-mail address and they will send them a reminder as to when to change them and that it is time to reorder.
- The players would need to take their orders and then they will come into the warehouse so we can pick up and deliver. They will need to pay at the time of order. We could have our filters within a month.
- They will give away Wild Tickets as well as other incentives for those that are the top 10 sellers.
- We would need to determine what the buyout is.
- Have furnace filters as our main fundraiser and then allow individuals to sell coffee to earn additional money towards their registration fee.

**Proposal:** Make the sale of Furnace filters our main fundraiser. In addition to furnace filters we will also offer coffee for those that would like to sell and earn additional funds to apply towards their registration fee. It is not mandatory for Mini mites to sell but if they would like the opportunity to earn one of the top 10 prizes they are welcome to sell. The buyout for the furnace filters will be determined by the Fundraising Committee prior to registration. There is a multi player family minimum of 10 cases. There will be a team building day for teams to go out and sell their furnace filters as a team. Will still need to figure out how to apply the extra funds from coffee to their registration fee.

- We should also try to come up with a script to send out with the players.

**Expansion and Growth:** Kirk Swenson

Nothing to report

**Sponsorships** – Mike Steindl

Nothing to report

**Operations Committee:** Tom Christenson/Shawn Reddy

No report submitted

**Registrar Report** – Holli Loe

No report submitted

**Communications:** – Dave Breiter

- No report submitted

**Tournament Committee:** Traci Hays

- **Proposed Tournament Dates:** Will be confirmed by Paul Ostoff and Brenda Christenson this week
- November 12<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> Bantam B/PeeWee B Fee: \$650.00\*
- November 26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> Bantam A/PeeWee A Fee: \$700.00\*
- January 7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> Squirt A/Squirt B Fee: \$600.00
- January 14<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> Girls U10B/U12B Fee: 600.00
- February 11<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> Squirt C Fee: \$600.00\*

Per District 9 it has not been determined what teams will be fielded within the district.

**Volunteer Hours** – committees need to describe what they need help with and how many people they need. During the season there should be a one person from each team present at the monthly board meetings. Team representatives would help with team communication.

**Follow-up Business:**

- Make sure that a member of the HOC is present

**Next Regular Meeting**

Monday, August 2, 2010

Location Rounder's

**Adjournment:**

Motion to adjourn at 10:15pm

M/S/P: Shaun/Jeff