CLHA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**September 11, 2011**

# ROLL CALL:

\_x\_ Mike Klun \_x\_ Chris Bodell \_x\_ Jennifer Caudill \_x\_ Laura Boudreau \_x\_ Cathy Trelstad \_x\_ Carmen Woeltge \_x\_ Howard Immel \_x\_Mandy Novak

\_x\_ Amber Hill \_x\_ Brian Hill \_x\_ Dave Burgen \_x\_ Shannon Hejny

\_x\_ Scott Thompson \_x\_ Julie Melser \_x\_ Matt Cottingham

\_\_\_Jason Mahlen \_x\_Josh Liebenow

\_\_\_Goalie Coordinator (Open Position) \_\_\_Coach in Chief (Open Position)

Others present: Dean and Sherry Cameron, Greg Trelstad and Tim Zaruba

* Call to Order – Mike called meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

### Review of Agenda –The Pee Wee to Bantam waivers, U18 Co-op and the U14 Co-op with Forest Lake were all removed from the agenda. Dave Burgen added try-out compensation for FHIT employees.

* Review/approval of last meeting minutes – Motion to approve the August meeting minutes by Julie Melser, seconded by Howard Immel; unanimously approved.
* Treasurer’s Report – Laura Boudreau-was unable to print copies for board members; she will PDF a copy via email. There was a big deposit of $52,000 from registration income.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **All Waiver requests**
   1. Megan Maxey-is a North Branch resident but attending school at Chisago Lakes and would like to play with her grade. She is in 4th grade but misses the birth date cut off by a few weeks. Mike will make sure the District 10 waiver is complete. Chris Bodell made a motion to allow Megan to play U10, seconded by Amber Hill; unanimously approved.
   2. Noah Cameron-is still Squirt eligible but is in 6th grade. He would like to play with his grade. Dean inquired if this waiver request will need to be completed in 2 years for Bantams. Chris Bodell stated our process is once you are approved to move up, you are there. Chris Bodell made a motion for Noah to play at the Peewee level, seconded by Dave Burgen; unanimously approved. There was discussion of 2 waivers for mites to play squirts but no record of the waiver request.
2. **Non-Parent Coaches and Compensation**

There are 3 non-parent coaches for the 2011-2012 season. The base salary last year was $1200. The coaching committee suggested adding $100 for each year of coaching experience at CLHA; with a $2000 cap. The coaching budget this year is $6000 for all paid coaches. Shannon suggested setting up coach compensation similar to the high school grid.

* 1. Steve Bakken-is slotted to coach the Peewee B1 team depending on the parent coaches at the other levels. This will be the 3rd year Steve will be a coach with CLHA. Steve Bakken has 2 non-parent assistant coaches requesting $600 for compensation. The coaching committee suggested $1500 coach compensation and $600 (total-$300 each) for his assistants.
  2. Brandon Renard-is slotted to coach the Peewee B2 team. This will be the 2nd year Brandon will be a coach with CLHA. The coaching committee suggested $1300 coach compensation.
  3. Elicia Borowick-will coach the U12B team. Elicia played hockey at Cambridge Isanti and Bethel College. Her coaching experience includes development camps from kids to adults, head JV coach at Totino-Grace and the assistant varsity coach at Totino-Grace. Elicia has requested $2000 for compensation.

Motion by Brian Hill to approve coaching compensation for Steve Bakken at $1500, $600 ($300 per each assistant) for his assistants, Brandon Renard at $1300 and Elicia Borowick at $2000, seconded by Scott Thompson; passed with a majority vote. There were 4 nay votes.

Parent coaches have put in their names at the Bantam level, U14, U10 and Squirt teams.

1. **By-Law Change Requests**-tabled until all requests are sent out to all board members prior to the next meeting.
2. **Try Out Compensation for FHIT employees**-There are 2 FHIT evaluators for the 6 hours of Bantam and Peewee tryouts. The compensation would be $300 for each evaluator. Dave will try to have the FHIT evaluators return for the final 2 days of Squirt evaluations. Motion by Chris Bodell to approve the $600 compensation ($300 each), seconded by Jenn Caudill; unanimously approved. The $600 will be taken out of the remainder of the coach budget. There was discussion of the tryout process being extended for the upper levels in the future so comparable to the Squirt HEP skills. There was discussion on allowing parent coaches to have coaches’ picks based on the evaluator rosters. Coaches will have to work with Dave regarding coaches’ pick after evaluations. Dave will use his discretion in dealing with tryouts and coaches.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. President – Mike Klun-District 10 President meetings are beginning on Monday, September 12th.
2. Vice President – Chris Bodell-The A/AA split in District 10 is only at the Bantam level for this season. Next year District 10 is looking to extend this to Peewee and Squirt levels. Checking has not been completely removed from the Peewee level. Body contact and angling is to be introduced at the Squirt level. There is only 1 goalie at the Squirt level for the upcoming season. Chris would like to know if the board is OK with allowing a goalie from another location play for free. There was discussion about developing goalies within our association as a long term solution. Dave has contacted District 10 to assist us with finding a goalie and Dave has contacted other associations.
3. Secretary – Jennifer Caudill-Pictures are November 1st and 3rd. Will get insurance waiver once I have receipt from Community Education. The insurance waiver will cover pictures and the 2 nights a week dry land in the school gyms for all teams.
4. Treasurer- Laura Boudreau-thanked Amber for all the hard work on online registration. There are a few families that have not covered registration fees yet. Laura will work with Mike and Chris on this.
5. Director of Competition - Dave Burgen-has been working with Cindy Nickelson on Impact testing on September 29th. Initial declarations are A B1, B2 Bantam teams. Squirts A, B1, C, Pee Wee B1 and B2. U14A, U12B, and U10B. Mike wants to ensure the U12B team is playing at the appropriate level for the 2011-2012 season. Dave discussed the number of players at each level. Fall hockey registration numbers are similar to last year. Dave inquired on the 2 Peewee to Bantam waiver (making the top 2/3rds in ranking) requests for Andrue Trelstad and Brandon Caudill. There was discussion if the players need to tryout at both levels. It was decided to allow the players to try out at the Bantam level only and the selection committee would place at the appropriate Peewee team if needed.
6. Mite Director - Matt Cottingham-is waiting for game schedule in order to set up referees for the in-house programs.
7. Registration – Carmen Woeltge-There are only 35 mites registered as of today. In person mite registration is Thursday, September 15th and Mike has handed out over 1000 flyers. Screening forms need to be completed by all members of the board of directors and any parent that will be a locker room supervisor. Mike inquired about the ad in the Chisago County Press. Carmen thought the ad ran for one week only. Mike will work on generic signs for registration with Bob.
8. Tournament Director – Julie Melser-There are a few team registered for our home tournaments. Julie is waiting for Dave to make final team declarations to complete tournament registration for all teams.
9. Director of Operations / Equipment – Howard Immel- all the jerseys are in. The jersey sale will take place during mite registration. Howard has been working on warm-ups for purchase by association members and providing a link on the website.
10. Girls High School Head Coach-Jason Mahlen-not present
11. Director of Girls Hockey – Amber Hill-The U14A co-op is almost complete with Forest Lake. The agreement will need to be signed by association Presidents and District 10 and District 2 representatives. The U14A coach will be Darin Thompson from Forest Lake. Practices will be split between the Chisago Lakes arena and the Forest Lake arena. All games will be played at Chisago Lakes arena.
12. Outdoor Facilities – Brian Hill-did not receive an update on the Taylor Falls fundraiser for their outdoor rink. Chisago Lakes Hockey Association has agreements with both Taylors Fall and Shafer rinks.
13. Director of Business Operations/Fundraising – Mandy Novak-Golf Tournament had low attendance but the income was high in comparison. There was over $3000 in prizes donated by local businesses. Mandy would like to see if a different fundraiser involving families is the route to go. Mandy suggested sending a survey out to the parents asking what kind of fundraiser they would like to participate in. Mike would like to fundraisers earmarked for certain events. Mandy is working on raffle tickets being printed.
14. Assistant Treasurer- Cathy Trelstad-nothing to report
15. Ice Scheduling – Shannon Hejny-Learn to Skate starts on September 18th and goes for 5 Sundays. Game scheduling is in October.
16. Advisor – Scott Thompson-is researching 2 grants. One is Grow the Game grant. Scott will draft a letter discussing our involvement on assisting Taylor Falls and Shafer communities. There other grant is through Liberty Mutual and is based on association member participation. There is a program for armed services families called Defend the Blue Line that will reimburse families on hockey registration fees.
17. Boys High School Head Coach-Josh Liebenow-nothing to report
18. Coach in Chief – Open Position
19. Goalie Coordinator – Open Position

Open Forum:

Motion to adjourn meeting at 9:09pm by Mike Klun.