



Willmar Hockey Association

Board Meeting Minutes

February 28, 2011

Willmar Civic Center



Present: Kip Oveson, Karen Skaggs, Jason Mayer, Kirk Gerdes, Priscilla Willander, Dan Tollefson, Mike Kubesh, Melanie Ackerman, Doyle Slagter

Absent: Nate Weber, Ben Werder, John Deluna, Stacy Stein

Guests: Tom Hanson, Brenda Bredesen

The meeting was called to order 5:35 by Kip Oveson (March meeting moved up one week due to several scheduling conflicts with board members)

1. Secretary's report. November's minutes were reviewed. Kirk motion for approval, Priscilla second, motion passed.
2. Treasurer's report
 - a. No report
 - b. It was asked that we discuss 2012-2013 dues at the April meeting
3. On-Ice:
 - a. Coaches exit interviews have been scheduled and will take place over the next few weeks.
 - b. Summer Ice was discussed, registration numbers are slowly coming in. JTR Hockey will be running the day camp for WHA. JTR is run by former Gopher and Professional players Justin Bostrom, Tony Lucia, and Ryan Flynn. They will be running camps during weeks 1 and 2 of summer ice.
 - c. High School registrations have gone out as well for summer ice. They will be run by the HS coaches, separate from JTR.
 - d. Discussed an overnight gathering at the Civic Center for hockey kids and friends. Karen will be looking into options for this with the Civic Center staff.
4. Fundraising
 - a. Priscilla will be having a Smith Open meeting in the next few weeks to get items for that fundraiser moving forward.
 - b. Blue Line Club – Their annual auction will take place during the Home Show at the Civic Center on March 31st.
 - c. Subway will donate nearly \$400 for the 10% sales promotion during the squirt tournament. Thanks to Subway!
5. Public Relations
 - a. End of the year Awards Night was discussed. It will be March 18 from 4:00 – 6:00 at the Willmar Community Center. Dawn Sankey is putting together a photo collage, it was decided to have medals again for scholastic awards and pucks for player awards. The sponsor awards will continue to be a plaque with a team picture. Also, they will be trying a potluck for this year as well.
 - b. A call will be put out for members interested in being a part of the Board. WHA is looking for 5 new board members to replace outgoing members.
 - c. Melanie volunteered to work on activities for Hockey Day in MN next winter. Ideas include somehow using the outdoor rinks or even having activities on a local lake.

6. Tournaments
 - a. Discussed the move to only have one away tournament this year for each team. This had to do with the number of games involved or scheduled at each level.
7. Handbook Review – Kip will review the handbook and adjust as necessary. Melanie and Jason will review the handbook after Kip and then bring any revisions to the board for further suggestions or adoptions.
8. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 2nd at 6:00 at the YMCA meeting room.
9. Motion to adjourn by Dan, second by Mike. Motion passed and meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Jason Mayer, WHA Secretary