

Minnetonka Youth Hockey Association
2012 February Board Meeting Minutes (Final)
February 13th, 2012 District 276 Service Center, Minnetonka, MN

Board Members Present: Andy Hill, Nancy Hauser, Chris Hentz, Scott Bowman, Anne Madson, Scott Gunderson, Brian Wilson, Matt Koonce, Bret Johnson, Marc Schubbe, Sharon Morgan, Kathy Latham

Board Members Not Present: Doug Howe, TJ Worrell, Jim van Bergen, Chris Evans

Also in Attendance: Greg Clough

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:52 PM by Vice President Andy Hill.

Reports

Equipment Director:

Scott Gunderson discussed goalie equipment policies and raising the summer rental rate to \$100.00. He is getting a lot of questions from mite 4's about using the gear after the season is over. Scott will collect all goalie equipment and then those that want equipment will have it re-issued. Scott will ask Kathy Latham to send an email to the association members about equipment turn-in. Both jerseys need to be returned this year.

Pagel:

The board discussed feedback from association members and fans about Pagel being too cold. Greg Clough talked about a study that was performed a few years ago about adding more infrared heat to the seating areas. The current heat sources are undersized. At the time, adding new heaters would cost approx. 20k and the board didn't want to spend the money.

Boys Director:

Chris Hentz had a discussion with Jeff Teal wondering if our teams can play in a 5th tournament. District 6 allows it, but Minnetonka doesn't. Chris will bring this issue up with the HDC this summer. Scott Bowman talked about the issues of adding a 5th tournament: scheduling; getting everyone on the team to agree to another tournament; ice time.

Registrar:

Anne Madson reported that almost every coach is certified. Two who don't have CEP have dropped coaching.

Volunteers:

All volunteer opportunities are posted. There are opportunities for lacrosse and track through May. The note that was sent out about those who hadn't signed up for any hours will have their checks cashed resulted in a lot of people finally signing up for shifts. There was discussion about the board looking at changing the policy around volunteer checks because it is taking so long for people to sign up and we are having staffing problems at the events.

Treasurer:

Nancy reported that all people are now current with payments. We have under \$6,000 left to collect for season dues. The normal amount in the past at this point in time is over 20k so we are doing a better job at collecting the fees in a more timely manner. The board discussed having a standard procedure documented for collection amounts, payment plans, etc.

Sponsorships:

Team representatives (i.e. team managers) should distribute the plaques for the sponsors. It was suggested that the teams should sign a card to go along with the plaque showing appreciation for the sponsorship. Matt will track the distribution of the plaques to make sure all sponsors are accounted for.



Tournaments:

Junior Gold needs to be cleaned up. Develop budget and finances separately. Brian will work with Nancy and Kathy to clean it up. Pee wee C D6 playoffs are being hosted by Minnetonka this year. Minnetonka is also hosting the U19 tournament at Pagel even though we don't have a U19 team. Refunds from tournaments are being sent to Kathy.

Girls Director:

Trends suggest we may have three 12U teams next year. Scott has heard from some non-parent coaches about parents complaining to them. Parents have been sending emails, etc. and the non-parent coaches are having a lot of extra overhead responding to the complaints. Five different coaches from five different teams have complained about this issue. There was discussion about creating a policy for communicating with coaches and having the coach copying the directors so that they are in the loop and available to help with issues. There was another discussion about having a beginning of the season checklist for the parent meeting so that coaches made sure they discussed the communication process between the parent and coach so that all expectations are set at the beginning of the season.

Vice President:

A recommendation was made that we review the MYHA travelling team tryout process. Communication of the process on the website and in the pre-tryout meetings may benefit from some review and clarification. It was suggested that we compare our tryout process to the process of other associations to see if there are areas that we may further refine our tryout process. Further discussion to be held at a future meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn was made by Matt Koonce; seconded by Anne Madson; adopted. The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 PM.

Submitted:

TJ Worrell, Secretary (from notes provided by Andy Hill)

Minutes Approved _____

Motion to Approve: _____

Second: _____

