

**Hastings Hockey Boosters
Monthly Meeting Minutes
January 8, 2013**

Roll Call:

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm.

Board Members Present: Brian Jones, Brian Dooley, Lisa Foster, Joe Harris, Brooks Savage, Jeff Plank, Mike Lavin, Dave Greengo, and Ryan Stoffel

Board Members Absent: Char Stark, Marc Chorney, Paul Huettl, Dustin Vogelgesang, and Jeff Plank

Members Present: Rick Erredge

Approval of Agenda: No Additions to the Agenda. Ryan Stoffel made a motion to approve the agenda, second by Rick Erredge. Motion passed.

Approval of Minutes: Joe Harris made a motion to approve the December Minutes, Brooks Savage seconded. December Minutes approved as presented

Coordinator Reports:

Referees: Jesse Viall absent: No report and No known issues.

Registrar: Kari Gruden has asked to step down from her position. Board agreed to get a replacement soon. Brian Jones will get that posted right away on the HHB Website.

Technology: Jay Stark Absent: No report and No known issues. Team Photos are posted on the arena T.V.'s

Tournament Director: Jim Foster Absent: No report. Lisa Foster commented she heard there were issues with tardiness in regards to the Sugar & Spice Girls Tournament. She stated people need to be there at least 15 min in advance. HHB took in \$1600-1700 for this last tournament (Big Chill) Bantam A received 2nd Place.

District 8 Representative: Brian Dooley attended District 8 meeting Wednesday, December 12, 2012 in South St. Paul and met with Scott Gray the USA Hockey SafeSport Coordinator. Focus was on developing off-ice safety support program that deals with issues surrounding sexual and physical abuse and other types of misconduct, and how to reduce and respond to those abusive situations. One can file a complaint through USA Hockey instead of through the association. It was suggested we may need a SafeSport Coordinator for the 2013-2014 Season in place.

At this meeting Dan Larson discussed the program which is ensuring that children of military members have every opportunity to participate in the game of hockey. Defending the Blue-line does this by providing free equipment for military kids, hockey camps, special events, and financial assistance for registration fees and other costs associated with hockey. Dan is in need of contacts. Rick Erredge stated Defending the Blue Line reached its million dollar giving mark. They have lots of equipment that they ship to 36 countries and they also have a partnership with the NHL. However, they have no money to ship the stuff.

Secretary: No report.

Officer Reports:

President: Brian Jones provided the following:

- December Newsletter is out
- Hockey Day/Night Committee meetings have started. Nikki Appert will be heading these committee meetings.
- Mark your calendars 4th Annual Hastings Hockey Night Party February 1st from 6 PM to midnight. This is an adult only party; wear your hockey jersey. Cost is 25.00 per person. The event includes one hour of free beer and house wine, taco bar, live music, meat raffle, ring toss, special drawings and much more. This event will be held at Green Mill Event Center in the Premier Bank Building. This is our fundraiser and it will be posted on Facebook.
- May have to move scheduled hockey games that conflict with this event.
- February 2, has been designated as “Hastings Hockey Day” Both Varsity and JV teams will be playing.
- The partnership with Valley Chevy as discussed in the December meeting has been dropped. The raffle drawing was not approved by the MN Gambling Control Board.
- Brian said Char Stark is handling the events for Hockey Day on Feb 2. There will be donuts and breakfast burritos in the morning, walking tacos in the afternoon. Activities include hair contest, face painting, headbands, tattoos, and chuck a puck.
- Susie Flynn is taking charge of the Golf Tournament tentatively scheduled for July 27, 2013. Dustin Vogelgesang previously recommended summer months so pro players could attend.

Vice President: Brian Dooley indicated that the outdoor ice scheduling will be handled by Jane Houska. Please get with her to coordinate the outdoor ice time.

- Hockey night has a full slate of practices.
- Some discussion in regards to coaches clinics
- Some discussion about the Coaches modules which were due by 12/31/12. Any Coach without current credentials after January 3rd will have to be removed from their team for the balance of this season.

Treasurer: Char Stark was not able to attend the meeting. The financial reports were/will be sent via e-mail along with bank statements. She is waiting for reports from Kari Gruden.

Director Reports:

Blue Mites: Ryan Stoffel – Everything going well; no complaints. They started doing station work with some of the mites.

Gold and White Mites: Brooks Savage – Everything going well. A couple of kids had complaints.

Squirts: Joe Harris – The Squirt Winter Carnival Tournament went well-kids had fun. All games were on Sunday and were decided by one goal. Kids were very competitive. A, B, C teams are going to a tournament at the end of the month. Next year’s Squirt Division will be ran

the same. A, B teams will play in District 8; limited travel. We need to get feedback from the coaches and parents on how the season went. Mr. Harris recommended HHB taking over the rink outside the civic arena.

Peewees: Dave Greengo – Dave is looking into a fundraiser with the MN Wild. He needs a copy of our 501(C)(3) Status in order to apply. B1 Volunteers will be taking care of this. Rick Erredge has returned to Minnesota following his deployment and will be formally taking over as Director of Peewees at the conclusion of this board meeting.

Bantams: Marc Chorney – Absent. It was noted that the tournament went well.

Junior Gold: Jeff Plank – Absent. There are mentor opportunities. The Jr. Gold Goalie is out for the year. Jr. Gold is looking for a replacement.

Girls: Mike Lavin – Things going well.

Coach-in-Chief/Hockey Operations: Dustin Vogelgesang-absent. No report by him. Some discussion in regards to the SWOT Analysis, which was tabled last meeting due to Dustin Vogelgesang not present. Several board members expressed concern over Dustin's absences from board meetings this year.

Operations: Paul Huettl absent. No report. Some discussion about goalie equipment that was in bags located in the Dryland Facility is now all over the floors. Goalie equipment needs to be picked up.

Volunteers: Lisa Foster – reported that 60% were done with their dibs points. 600 points to give away yet. She is still working on getting schedules for the remainder dib points. (Hockey Day/Hockey night, Girls Districts, Equipment turn in, and River Rumble). The sooner she gets everything the better. It was reported that the Big Chill Tournament went well. 42 mite parents haven't done anything yet and 48 Squirt parents need hours.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Brian Jones reported he had a meeting with Jeff Corkish (Girls Varsity Coach) and Russ Welch (Boys Varsity Coach) on January 8, 2013. Three main issues were addressed: Overall Morale for positions; spend more time with coaching from top to bottom., player retention and recruitment. Brian encourages these coaches to get more involved with the Hockey program.

Board of Directors Elections Notice: HHB Board of Directors Elections, will be held on Tuesday, February 12, 2013 from 5:00-9:00pm at the Hastings Civic Arena. Six board positions are up for election and this notice will be distributed to the membership soon. January 31, 2013 is the deadline for board positions. Board members are encouraged to get involved during the election process.

Vacancy for Registrar will be posted.

Lisa Foster made a motion to make Mike Lavin an honorary board member and seconded by Brian Dooley. Motion passed.

Strategic Planning (SWOT Analysis): This was completed and will be updated at the next meeting.

Board Comment: None

Membership Comment: None

Adjournment: Dave Greengo made a motion to adjourn at 8:50 PM, seconded by Brian Dooley. Motion passed.

Next Meeting: February 12, 2013 at 7:00 PM

Respectfully submitted by Dawn West.