

**2013-2014 Cottage Grove Hockey Association**  
 General Membership Meeting  
 February 3, 7 – 9 PM, VFW Red Barn

**Board Members Present**

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| President: Eric Folsom                | X | A/B Director: Jeff Fye       | X |
| Vice President: Chad Brown            | X | C Director: Jim Anderson     | X |
| Budget Director: Nicki Donlon         | X | Girls Director: Dan Severson | X |
| Registrar/Secretary: Kathy McLaughlin | X | Mite Director: Chris Rudh    |   |

**Meeting Called to Order:** Meeting called to order @ 7:02 PM

**Motion to Approve November 2013 Minutes:** Minutes passed & posted to CGHA website

**Call for new business:**

- Jersey committee update – Heather Weidner & Chris Galloway
  - Heather shared background on why the research into jersey options was initiated
  - After speaking with members informally, came across preferences that varied, but leaned towards “player owned”
  - Would like to initiate survey with members to get a better gauge on member preference; will get questions to Kathy to get a Ngin survey link created
- CGHA Board Nominations
  - New to CGHA bylaws: Board nominations will be required one general membership meeting prior to the Voting meeting (if you plan to have your name on the ballot during April vote meeting – nominations need to be made AND accepted by or before the March membership meeting); nominations will not be received after that time.
  - Board positions opening up at end of 2013/2014 season:
    - o Girls Director (2 Year)
    - o Boys AB Director (2 Yr)
    - o Co-Mite Director (2 yr)
  - Dan Severson has nominated Mike Post for Girls Director & Mike Post accepted (in person); no other nominations at this time

**Call for old business:**

- None

**Committee Reports:**

- Fundraising Manager – E.Beth Fritz
  - Fundraising plan that will be rolled out; reduce player fees; Sharon Thorson offered to help with fundraising
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- Tournament Director – E.Beth Fritz
  - Hockey Fest February 15<sup>th</sup>,
  - Head Coach, Ass’t Coach, Managers; assistant coaches on traveling teams; 1,200-1,300 hours put out there for members to claim
  - Turkey Tournament - generated \$7.8k in revenue; received good feedback from visiting teams. The Canadian team is looking to return and potentially get other teams to participate as well

- Jamie Newpower asked about building in additional tournaments between Turkey Tourney & Districts to increase revenue opportunities for CGHA; E.Beth responded that 2 additional tournaments have been suggested for next season, including for the Girls.
- Equipment Manager (open position) –
  - Currently open position, however, moving towards 5-6 people that have offered to facilitate this process
- District 8 Rep – Nicole Rowell
  - Nicole indicated she was unable to attend the recent D8 meeting, referred members to the minutes posted by District 8 available on [Stickstats.com/District 8 website](http://Stickstats.com/District 8 website)
- Ice Manager – Chad Brown
  - Bumpy start, but ice schedule seems to be running smoothly at this time.
  - The timeframe for CGHA to meet their ice hours commitment with the city is Sept 1st – April 15<sup>th</sup>
- Green Line Editor (open position)
- Hockey Director (open position)

### **Board Member Reports:**

- Registrar/Secretary – Kathy McLaughlin
  - The volunteer that initially expressed interest in the Academic award position had to step down
  - 103 (~30%) of CGHA households responded for the recent coach evaluation; summaries will be provided to level directors to share with respective head coaches
  - Looking at upgrading our website to the new interface being offered by Ngin. For members that are not aware, CGHA pays an annual subscription fee for the website, the new interface is likely to have a higher cost, but will assess upgrades/user friendliness upgrades prior to any decisions
- Vice-President – Chad Brown
  - No additional updates outside of the ice update (see above)
- Budget Director – Nicki Donlon
  - In response to secondary registrations/overall fee levels & cost concerns, will review player fees vs costs and whether there could be potential credits/refunds
  - Developing a fundraising plan for player fee reduction opportunities
  - Eric indicated that he has tapped Walmart, Famous Dave's for potential sponsorship opportunities
- A/B Director – Jeff Fye
  - District 8 Bantams will be A/AA to play together
  - Evaluations - send positive feedback as well, it's not just about identifying what is going wrong
  - Training for summer, High school clinic opportunities – East Ridge & Park each do one
- C Director – Jim Anderson
  - Districts for Squirts will start 6 weeks from now
- Girls Director – Dan Severson
  - U10/U14 teams doing well
  - 14Us start playoffs in 2 weeks, other girls will follow
- Mite Director – Chris Rudh (Eric provided Chris' update in his absence)
  - Hockey Fest is February 15th, this has been our main focus.
  - Mite Ice Time - Chad sent me the file that he was working with Nicki on. I am reviewing the file, according to Nicki we are good with our mite ice budget.
  - Mini Mite teams last day of hockey is February 16th.

- End of season gifts have been ordered for mites. Worked with Nicki & Eric to make sure we were on budget for this.
- President – Eric Folsom
  - Summer Day Camp will be announced for Mites through Pee Wees, in June, facilitated by Jeff Corkish. Will include additional option for working parents to choose an “all day” option, with additional time filled in by CG Rec department (games, activities, etc.)
    - Hockey portion of day would be 1-Hr “off Ice” first & then 1-hr “On Ice”; \$300 for 11 days
    - CG Rec for “all day” will be additional cost
    - Target for getting registration out, within the next week
    - Capacity? 1:6, or 1:8 coach to player ratio
    - Program session for 21 goalies
  - CGHA will also be looking at a camp for Aug/Sept, geared towards evenings. No info available yet.

**General Membership Concerns / Discussion:**

**Other:** *As required by law, we must mention the Association is involved in charitable gambling (i.e. Pull Tabs) and a large percentage of the proceeds go toward youth sports.*

Motion to adjourn:

(13 CGHA members were in attendance)