

Yankton Area Ice Association

Minutes, October 14, 2014, 6:30 pm

Board Members in attendance: Rob Barger, Mike Krajewski, Julie Perakslis, Dave Withrow, Heath Larson. Absent: Max Roesler & Ryan List

Guests in attendance: Kendra Bakke, Pam Erickson, Bryan Schoenfelder

I. Approval of September Board minutes: Motion to approve: Heath, 2nd Mike. Passed

II. Committee Reports

Registrar:

- A. **Scholarships:** YAIA scholarship requests: Motion made via email by Heath that scholarship applicants be approved. Second by Ryan, Julie and Dr. Withrow approved. Motion passed. Kendra prepared a printout of all registered players by team. 16 kids have asked for scholarship. This equals \$2,415.00. Dave approved all. Discussion on what our policy/criteria for scholarships should be. We get \$1,000 from United Way that we use to pay for these scholarships. Mike will talk to United Way about a possible increase and bring the spreadsheet showing scholarships requested and approved for this year with him. Brief discussion on determining a cap on the scholarships issued. This year we approved them all, but we do need a discussion on limits/scholarship cap as well as to set an increased number of volunteer hours scholarship recipients/their families would need to complete. We also really need to get kids registered by July. We will table this issue for late Winter or early Spring. Registration versus last year looks a little lower than last year at this point. Some feedback from parent coordinators that cost for hockey is too high. Some discussions on how to address this or spread the cost out a bit more so people are not writing all these checks at one time. Having registration earlier might help with this. **Seniors:** Kendra got a list of seniors on the boy's side. She will ask Amy Johnson for girls' Seniors. At **state meeting**, there was a lot of getting used to the new system. Kendra learned she can do one filing fee for Squirt Tournament A&B of \$50 instead of having to pay twice.
- B. **Figure Skating:** 40 skaters registered, a little down from last year. All upper level skaters are returning except two that moved. Discover World of Figure Skating this Sunday. Lessons start next Thursday. Optimists are going to give FS \$1,000 at their Monday meeting, Pam will go to meeting to accept check. Friday 4-6pm FS get ice. Rummage sale the 24th & 25th. They are collecting donations for that. Tonya Taggart has raised almost \$900 on online garage sale. Anything not sold she will bring in here next week for physical sale. Halloween Costume fundraiser still ongoing on website. **FS Handbook changes:** scheduling & coaching managers should be one position. With full dib credit and Equipment manager needs full dib credit. Fundraising/Marketing position should have finance removed. Request these changes be made to handbook. No issues from board. Pam will let Randy know changes to make. Pam has been working with Max on scheduling. FS will have to leave ice a bit early for hockey games. Pam is okay with that. They are getting paperwork ready for Dave's signature for competitions. They would like a FS skating logo in/on the rink somewhere. 5x5 signs cost us \$200/piece. Pam would like one out there before their competition. Rob asked if Pam can wait until all signs are up so we can see what space we have left. Pam approved. Feb. 21 & 22 are the fixed competition dates.

Coaching :

- A. **Coaches List:** Chad is not ready to finalize coaches until closer to season start and after try-outs. The Board will have to sign off on the final coaches list. Chad will have it finalized around the beginning of November. He will email the list for approval. Rosters have to be in by November 7th. Selections and tryouts set-up to be done by November 5th. Chad would like 4 coaches to be reimbursed for clinic, module, USA Hockey registration. Chad also wants to have a travel reimbursement proposal for USD coaches. He doesn't have it done yet; he will bring it to the next board meeting. Re-imbursement for above mentioned items was previously approved, board is in agreement with paying \$90 per coach reimbursement for USA Hockey, etc...
- B. **Rosters:** Chad thought he would have 18 Bantam players after move-ups. If all Bantam goalies who is pending registration, there will be 17 or 18 Bantams—if we move 4 up we're down to 13, one player with a broken arm puts us down to 12. Chad would like to wait on moving up the 4th player until Bantam registration is final and he sees where the numbers are.
- C. Chad has a list for **keys** for coaches. Chad would like a key to the meeting room; he already has a building key. He needs Keys for: Tom Curran, Tyler Johnson (Bantam coach will have to close up the rink after Bantam practices), Terry Pedersen, Zach Benson (one of the JV/Varsity Coaches who will have to open rink): He needs four exterior keys and one for the conference room for himself.
- D. **Zamboni:** Chad wants to make sure at 6am ice is not dirty, he would like Zamboni done the night before. Max gave Heath a list of names of Zamboni drivers and sent an email blast out to see if anyone else wants to learn the Zamboni. Rob will work with Heath on the list as well.
- E. Chad would like a large **digital clock** on West end of the rink for coaches to easily monitor time. Rob will find a clock.
- F. **Coaches/parents meetings:** Chad is trying to get PeeWees in before splitting teams, but parent conferences for HS and MS are next week. He's still looking for a good time. A board member needs to be at each meeting: Max Squirts, Dave Bantams, Julie Varsity/JV, PeeWee & Mites.
- G. **Legends:** Via email: Motion: Bring a Legend Hockey Camp that includes a skills camp and coach, player and goalie training to Yankton from November 9th – November 11th at a total cost of \$3,592.50 made by Julie and seconded by Mike. Vote to pass by Rob, Ryan, Heath & Dr. Withrow. Motion passed. When registration is on let Chad know. Chad recommends Zamboning in 2 hour blocks. Julie will email schedule to Heath with copy to Ashley to get a schedule set up for Zamboni.

Financial

- A. **Financial report:** Motion to approved by Rob, 2nd by Heath. Passed. FS account not converted yet, but Mike is running everything through main account right now. Taxes were submitted.
- B. **Continue the Miracle Campaign:** Randy & Mike met with Dave Spencer on Continue the Miracle Campaign. Mike will be taking that over next Spring. Mike asked who is handling signs that he can give sign sales to. Signs coming in: from SignTech, Mark's Machinery, and Capital Street Cabinetry. When they come, text Rob to let him know where they go. Signs are all here for pledgers, Rob says. Mike is taking care of sending invoices and going through Dave's files. Dave suggested we need to be aggressive about going after people. Dave would like a list of those who pledged so he can send them a thank you letter. TruXedo, Plains Marketing, Randy Heisinger for the clinic, YSD, Ericksons, McDonald's is coming in with a bigger sign... There are probably more based on deposits. Mike will see who when he gets Dave's spreadsheets.
- C. Copy of the **loan** with First Dakota: Mike has a copy. Payments are over 5 years, 4ish percent interest. We borrow the money as we need it—it's really a line of credit
- D. **Corkys Motors compressor payment:** This is the last compressor payment. We are using it as a backup compressor. \$1,750.00 bill. Heath made motion to pay, Rob second. Passed. Propane invoices coming. Rob will talk to Mike to make sure he has tanks filled.

Disciplinary: One Player will have to do his two game suspension for hockey. Kevin will give player information to Chad.

Equipment: Mats: Randy would like them down in time for Halloween. 4H has recognition event on November 2nd. All Open Skate stuff has to be moved back into locker rooms. 4H also has a Soup Kitchen Tuesday of election. In the past, we have let them have an Open Skate party. They get in here Monday, Tuesday have the soup kitchen. Rob will work with Randy on the mats and get it done. Purchasing mats was approved previously. Rob wants approval for \$150 for tools for Zamboni room. Rob motioned, Heath seconded, passed.

Marketing: Halloween Open Skate: First playoff game is at home on Thursday for football. Open Skate will be held. We pay \$500-\$600/year for licensing rights on the music, but can play any music we want. Rob said lawyer looked into it. We have to pay it because we are playing music in public venue. We can use an iPod to play the music in the rink in addition to the computer.

III. Old business

Finalize Open Skate: Max gave Bryan a rundown of available open skate dates. Schedule for December: we have three Saturdays of no Open Skate; In January: two Saturdays with no Open Skate. Discussion on having Friday Open Skates. We can call it: "Friday Night Ice." City will let us schedule a month in advance—by 17th of month prior. Everyone agrees Friday nights would be better than Wednesday. In December, there are two available Fridays. We will try those out. Discussion on renting the ice. We should market renting rink with the advertising in P&D. Regarding the City contract: We will do our own Zamboni, not require the City workers to do it. We are cutting Wednesdays and adding Fridays. Pam will talk to Chad about opening up that Wednesday for Figure Skaters. We will stick with \$5 flat fee and get skates as you need them.

Report on State meeting: Rob said meeting long, but well run. They are really pushing Safesport and not having phones in locker rooms.

Other: Bleachers: Rob met with bleacher guy. They should be in production now. They should be ready about 1st week in December. It is safe to take out East section and leave home section and two portable ones to get by until they get the two new ones in. It will take Mon-Fri to install the bleachers. There is a Friday game at the end of November, no Saturday game. Therefore, we will take the bleachers out on Saturday. What do we do with old bleachers? Rob will check into how to get rid of them, he suggested maybe Craigslist or open up to anyone in the association—if you want them you can come tear them out. Bryan suggested letting the City come get our old lights for the City Hall gym. Bryan will talk to Todd about taking the lights. Updated fluorescent lighting is ordered—it should be here in the next few weeks. Rob says they will be simple to put in. Locker rooms are coming along. Radiant heater has not been ordered yet.

IV. New Business

New Donations: Sam Tronnes Memorial Foundation gives out scholarships. Two of our kids got scholarships last year. Sam Tronnes Celebrity Hunt Fundraising event sponsorship: hunt is \$300/table. We will have Randy put the Sam Tronnes Celebrity Hunt November 14th & 15th on the website so any association member can join if they like. Dave will give to randy to put on website.

Rob motion to adjourn, Seconded, meeting adjourned.

Next meeting is November 11th at 6:30pm.

Pending Approval