

# RIVER FALLS YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

## January 2015 AGENDA



DATE: Wednesday, January 14th, 2015

LOCATION: Wildcat Centre

Board Members: Jody Christensen, **Vice President**; Neil Accola, **Treasurer**; Janell Rasmussen, **Secretary**; Paul Wilson, Frank Linn, Tim LaVold, Mike Marsollek, Josh Cleveland, Kathy Bennett, Mike Lien  
Absent: Steve Magnuson, President

### AGENDA

1. Welcome, Intro, Agenda Review Christensen  
**Meeting called to order at 6:00pm.**
2. Consent Items(All can be approved in one motion, unless an items is removed by a board member for further discussion) Christensen
  - A. Agenda Approval  
**Action Item:** Approve Agenda and any supplementary materials
  - B. Approval of Minutes  
**Action Item**  
**Motion to approve consent items by Accola, second by Linn, all in favor.**
3. Guest Comments Guests  
**No Guests.**
4. Hockey Operations – Off Ice Christensen

**Due to tournament/regular hours changes, there will be some slight changes to how hours are allotted. There are currently a total of the following hours with this year registration: Tournament/4210, regular/1620.**

**The following changes were proposed, discussed and approved.**

**Mite Coaches will get 10/10 and Squirt Coaches and above will get 20/15. (no additional hours, but a change in the allotment) This is only for Board Approved Coaches (who are on the roster) and those who Coach Mites.**

**The below are additional changes:**

  - > Goalie coordinator will be 15 regular
  - > Mite director was 25-regular, will now be 15-regular
  - > Tryout coordinator was 10-regular and will be 5 regular
  - > WAHA coordinator was 10-regular, will now be 5 regular
  - > Equipment Coordinator (also coordinates LTS equipment) was 25-regular, will now be 10-tournament and 15-regular
  - > High school game coordinator was 10-regular, will now be 5 regular
  - > Registration coordinator was 25-regular, will be 5-tournament and 15-regular
  - > Managers coordinator was 25-regular, will now be 15-regular
  - > Zamboni coordinator was 25-regular, will now be 10-tournament and 15-regular
  - > Service hours coordinator was 25-regular, will now be 5-tournament and 15-regular
  - > Team managers was 25-regular, will now be 10-tournament and 15-regular
  - > Outdoor rink was 25-regular, will now be 5-tournament and 15-regular
  - > Outdoor grounds was 25-regular, will now be 5-tournament and 15-regular
  - > Adult league was 25-regular, will now be 5-tournament and 15-regular
  - > Alumni coordinator was 25-regular, will now be 10-tournament and 15-regular
  - > Bingo/pull tab coordinator was 25-regular, will now be 10-tournament and 15-regular

- > Gala coordinator was 25-regular, will now be 5-tournament and 15-regular
- > Golf tourney coordinator was 25-regular and will be 5-t 15-r

Current required hours/skater for squirts and above are 45 Tournament and 15 Regular; For mites 15 Tournament and 10 Regular; LTS/mites 15 hrs of anything and Additional skater per family is 5 more hours for both tourney and regular.

The Tournament hours needed based on current total activities is 4240 and Regular hours needed based on current total activities: 1600.

Currently, Brian McQuade is in charge of evaluating refs, he has evaluated a few refs, and given feed back. We offer a on ice session in the beginning to cover positioning which is more then most associations do. We have not heard from D2 regarding our refs, neither has Baldwin as of Saturday. We added the linesman to help out refs learn positioning, which has worked well, now we need to work on training the refs to make penalty calls, I felt as did Brian McQuade this change would be helpful. If we would like to pay U14 54 like D2, I'm fine with that, just thought it was already going up 10.00 for the ref, from 40-50 was a good jump. We will go with the District 2 rules. There have been issues with the Menomine Reffing. It is a safety issue and LaVold will advise the coaches and let them know the issues and decide whether they will play there.

The Board approved to allow the Paulson Family to receive donated hours.

Christensen asked if we have to do hockey for free on the 21<sup>st</sup> with the tournament conflict. Rasmussen will look into.

#### 5. Hockey Operations – On Ice

LaVold

- Coaching – Last couple of weeks no issues.
- District 2 Double Roster Rules

They are going to ask that we help at the MN tournament. Marsollek will be attending the D2 meeting on Sunday evening.

The coordinated Goalie practice is not being attended. LaVold is going to work with Coaches to get the Goalies to the practice. LaVold talked to John about the Mites and all of the new skaters and things appear to be going well.

#### 6. Building Events

Linn

Working with Rush River on getting all of the beer donated for fat boys. That would include about 10-12 kegs. Linn will talk to Rasmussen about the donation and possible recognition.

Linn will be working with Bearing Arms in 2015 on the gun show. Linn also reported that they have added a 50+ division to the fat boys tournament.

#### 7. Building Operations

Wilson

There was a significant Freon leak.

The sharpener is up and running. There was a discussion on honoring past cards. We will honor up to \$200. We get \$3 per sharpening. He is going to get us a qr reader. Wilson is working with Dan Therriault and Total Mechanical trying to work around games with scaffolding to fix the bleacher heaters.

The Outdoor ice is coming good.

#### 8. Financial Operations

Accola

Accola shared the months financial spreadsheets. Estimated projections went down with Freon leak. Accola asked Board members to start working on cash flow projections for next year.

#### 9. Community Relations/Advertising

Rasmussen

BMO Harris Bank signed up for a dasher sign/sponsorship. Will be meeting with the Chamber to discuss an ad in Let's Play Hockey. Discussed a proposal to sell sponsorships to name locker room doors. Working with Building Committee and Executive Team to determine pricing/feasibility.

Have been using social media to promote. Followers have increased as we have been posting weekly. The Massachusetts game was promoted with the RF Journal, Facebook, RFTV, etc. Have requested that team managers share any relevant team information for distribution. Have been utilizing lobby display for team pictures too. Magnuson sent out association newsletter.

10. Learn to Skate –Strategic Goal

All

Rasmussen wrote an article to a columnist in Let's Play Hockey on our program who has committed to write a column on RFYHA. Same information has been sent to USA Hockey. Rasmussen also accepted invitation to present at WAHA conference in August on our program. Rasmussen will be scheduling a final summary meeting. Try Hockey for Free scheduled for February 21st.

11. Fundraising Operations

Higher amount of raffle money out there. Pizza order had to be moved up because of three different dates and email was sent. Working on Gala. Save the Date was sent. Will be selling fleece blankets.

12. Other Items

- a. Insurance Claim/Locker Room Issues  
\$1300, Bennett is working with Lisa

All

13. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Linn, second by Bennett, all in favor.