

EVHA Board Meeting MINUTES
June 18, 2014 at 7:30 PM
Apple Valley Community Center

Call to Order at 7:30pm

Attendance: Kelly Griffiths, Renee Swenson, Scott Calvert, Brent Cameron, Dave Leach, Doug Tritschler, Matt Johnson, David Kisch, Heather Sodomka, Amy Hutsell, Mike Schoonover, Mark Groebner, Jim Lombardi, Jeremy Weestrland, Tom Keating

1.1 Visitors: Henriette Warren, Brad DeFauw

2.0 Agenda Additions/Revisions - None

3.0 Discussion/Action Item Additions

Player Development presentation/discussion with Brad DeFauw

Brad DeFauw presented a proposal for his organization to oversee player development, coaching coordination and tryout oversight for EVHA.

After presentation, Board asked Brad to be excused for an intra-Board discussion of his proposal.

After board discussion, Matt Johnson made a Motion to make a 3 year commitment to hire Brad DeFauw and his organization to coordinate a coach and player development program for EVHA with an initial budget of up to \$25,000 for the first year, with the budget to then be re-evaluated in November 2014.

Kelly Griffiths seconded the motion

Vote results:

All Ayes

No Nays

No Abstentions

Apparel Update

Amy Hutsell and Mike Schoonover presented summary of a Bauer proposal for EVHA Apparel

20-25% off of retail price

With EVHA getting 10% back

Bauer apparel will be on display at local rink(s) one day in late summer, and one day in early Fall.

Bauer apparel options will also be available for review via EVHA web site.

It was also requested that we inquire of Bauer whether any kind of discount deals are available for high-quality hockey socks.

Review/Confirmation of Calendar of 2014-15 EVHA Board meetings

All present reviewed and agreed to proposed schedule of 2014-15 EVHA Board meetings, as defined below...

July 16: 7:30pm

August 13: 7:30pm

Sept 18 (tentative Thurs) or Wed Sept 10th (District 8 meeting 17th Wed)

October 15

Nov 12

Dec 18 (tentative Thurs) (District 8 meeting 17th Wed)

Jan 14

Feb 11 (U14 tourney 15-22nd)

March 11

Discussion of Burnsville as new participant in District 8

No discussion necessary, as EVHA has no control over end decision to allow Burnsville into D8. Need to wait for D8 meeting results from tonight to find out if Burnsville will be added to D8.

Personalized water bottles – (ala Steve Johnson idea) –

Due to time constraints, discussion on this item pushed back to next meeting.

Summer ice/ clinic

Brief report by Scott Calvert indicates all 1st practices went well.
26 total participants at Squirt through PeeWee level
20 showed up for first practice

Bantam clinic
22 participants
Full participation first night

Goalie clinic seems to only have 3 participants, and need for goalie clinic should be reviewed in the future.

Treasurer's report

David Kisch proposed one change to registration fees in the form of a nominal increase in registration fees of \$15 per each traveling player (in-house registration fees will not be increased).

The board neglected to officially vote on this proposal during the meeting, but an official motion to increase the registration fees for all traveling hockey players by \$15 was proposed on June 23rd by David Kisch.

Matt Johnson seconded the motion.

Vote results:

All Ayes

No Nays

No Abstentions

Matt Johnson requested uniformity on pricing for preseason clinics and tryouts.

Proposed \$90 per player for all Clinics

Proposed \$75 per player for all Tryouts

Discussion led to agreement that Clinics and Tryouts should be consistently priced for boys and girls, but that definition of exact price right now is not feasible, due to lack of true knowledge of ice rates in the Fall.

Matt Johnson moved that all Pre-season Clinic and Tryout fees be uniformly consistent for boys and girls, with specific pricing to be determined after ice is acquired in the Fall.

Mark Groebner seconded the motion

Vote results:

All Ayes

No Nays

No Abstentions

Charitable Gambling

Going through year-end audit right now, no concerns or issues indicated.

Gambling Manager Heather Sodomka requested \$30,000 for allowable expenses, per the standard monthly procedure to maintain the charitable gambling operations.

The Board approved this request.

Valley Tap is asking for Sponsor of their charitable golf event to support Special Olympics on August 3rd

General consensus is that we should support this event because Valley Tap has been the primary venue for most of the strong increase in charitable gambling funds raised in the past year.

Kelly Griffiths moved that we provide \$1000 sponsorship to the Valley Tap Special Olympics charitable golf event on August 3rd.

Tom Keating seconded the motion

Vote results:

All Ayes

No Nays

No Abstentions

Dry land update

Mark Groebner will work with Brad DeFauw on what can be planned/done going forward in this regard, once DeFauw has defined appropriate dry land program for EVHA.

Tournaments – Girls Lightning Tournament and D8 U14 Tournament

Re: Lightning Classic...Waiting to hear what D8 says tonight at D8 meeting about the multiple communities in D8 trying to host tourneys on the same weekend that we have planned on, and have committed to and advertised for.

Calvert... If we need to move the tournament weekend, can we do it?
Answer is probably, but hopefully we will get approval from D8

Re: U14 Tournament

Need to define number of teams and get set up on DIBS to start acquiring ice and scheduling

Residency/School Attendance/Registration/Waivers discussion

Discussion on this topic will be pushed back to next meeting, after which Rosemount will have had their June/July meeting and will have communicated to EVHA President their position on the topic.

Most likely, prior to next EVHA Board meeting, Mike Schoonover will have met with RAHA president and D8 Coordinator to discuss the topic.

4.0 Information/Board Report

- 4.1 Treasurers Report
- 4.2 Charitable Gambling
- 4.3 Hockey Operations
- 4.4 Girls Program
- 4.5 Squirt C
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- 4.7 Tournaments
- 4.8 Registrar
- 4.9 Fundraising
- 4.10 Apparel
- 4.11 District 8 Update
- 4.12 Concessions
- 4.13 Managers
- 4.14 Volunteers
- 4.15 Goalie Coordinator

Adjourned at 9:50pm.