

Special Meeting of the Board Of Directors of the
Rosemount Area Hockey Association

Date: September 20, 2018

Location: Rosemount Community Center, PDA Room

The following directors were present (* indicates that Director was present for the call of order of the meeting)

* Andy Proshek	* Jason Latzke	* Jeff Schuppe
* Lisa Toll	* Jim Priebe	* Kyle Finn
* Jen Heusinkveld	* Marc Tobias	Ivan Clements
Cara Marx	* Kevin Bigalke	* Jeff Olund
* Bill Kegley		

Ice Scheduler
Chris Kalata

Andy Proshek, Meeting Chair and President, called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. With 11 Board Members present a quorum is therefore present.

All members received notice of the special meeting, via e-mail, on September 17, 2018. All members received and acknowledged notice of the meeting.

The topic of the special meeting is if we will be adding an additional Squirt level team (9th team), and if so, what level of play that team will play at.

Cara Marx is attending the meeting.

Marc Tobias - led the discussion regarding adding an additional Squirt team (9th team). 2 teams of 14 and 7 teams of 13. Development model is what we are going for in Squirts. The reduced team size is better for development for the kids. At Squirts the players need to play both forward and defense throughout the season. We have 9 goalies and 8 teams, at this point. 2 goalies on one team will have less playing time then the others. We need to develop goalies so we should have one on each team. Jason Latzke - discussed how competitive the A team(s) would be, with having 26 kids.

Jim Priebe discussed that if we push to have smaller teams we are developing less kids due to the reduced number of kids on the upper teams. PD went through feedback and recommendations from coaches from the previous year, including input at the IP level. With 1 A team we would be pushing the kids and now with 2 A teams we are really pushing the kids. We are moving away from where we were have been trying to go. Having one team will push kids down

Kyle Finn - ran through the numbers if we push kids up vs. keeping the 8 teams. Players 26-30 will develop more on smaller teams at their appropriate skill level than they will being on a larger team outside of their skill level.

Jim Priebe - is hearing, from the general membership, that the board screwed up with 2 A teams and want to back out with smaller teams. This is the perception from what Jim Priebe has heard from the general membership.

Andy Proshek - we are talking about 4 kids total in this scenario. We aren't pushing an entire team down, we are pushing 4 kids down.

Jeff Schuppe asked if there is a possibility that the evaluators would recommend that we shouldn't have 2 A teams. The teams will be determined based on the evaluators scores.

Kevin Bigalke - with 9 teams you need to look at the goalies. As a goalie parent, I would be unhappy to see the other teams all having 1 goalie and getting a lot more development.

Cara Marx - how did our numbers change? How did the numbers come out at the end? The numbers was 120 total kids, we received 8 or 9 new kids.

Marc Tobias - wouldn't recommend this at the other levels due to the needed number of players.

Lisa Toll - a goalie can get to play a half game each game, skater is playing $\frac{1}{3}$ of the game.

Need to look at the costs for the families. Some of the costs are upfront and some are in the ice bill.

Chris Kalata- added 4 additional teams this year, we need more full sheets of ice. We currently have the right amount of ice - just depends on how it's distributed. The Pond cost is higher in costs. Did a run through with a 9th team. IP is skating more at The Pond. Costs will be comparable as in years past.

Marc Tobias **motions** to approve the change from 8 to 9 Squirt teams for the 2018-2019 hockey season. Seconded by Jeff Olund. No further discussion is necessary. Jeff Schuppe and Jim Priebe opposed, motion passed by 9.

Andy Proshek lead the discussion regarding the level of play for the 9th squirt team. We currently have 2A, 3B and 3C teams. Jeff Olund would recommend another B team so we can develop more kids. That would leave RAHA at $\frac{1}{3}$ of the kids at the C level and the remaining $\frac{2}{3}$ at the A and B level. District 8 needs their drop dead numbers 2 weeks before the first scheduled game.

Chris Kalata - needed to modify the schedule with the changes in 15U and Squirts. Squirts are 60 minutes. PD recommended 1 A, 4 B and 3 C.

Cara Marx asked what level the new registered kids were at their playing at the in past. The kids playing levels were all over the board.

Jeff Olund **motions** to have the 9th squirt team to be a B level team. Marc Tobias seconded the motion. Jim Priebe opposed the motion, motion passed by 10.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at was made by Cara Marx, seconded by Bill Kegley. No further discussion was necessary. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:33 p.m.