

Hastings Hockey Boosters Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: October 7, 2019

Roll Call:

X	Tom Johnson (President)	X	Jamie Stevens (U8 Director)
X	Adam Hoffman (Vice President)	X	Dan Zgoda (Director of Bantams/Jr. Gold)
	Katie Engrav (Treasurer)		Jesse Viall (Director of Mites (Super & Mighty)
X	Dana McGree (Secretary)	X	Kristi Woodwick (Director of Girls Travel)
X	Jim Zgoda (Director of Operations)	X	Sean McCabe (Director of Peewees)
	RJ Schriefer (Director of Hockey)	X	Steve Hagen (Director of Squirts)
	Shannon Callahan (Director of Volunteers)	X	Jason Youngquist (Director of Ter-Mites)

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made, seconded, and carried to approve the October Agenda.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made, seconded, and carried to approve the September meeting minutes.

Approval of new Learn Hockey /TerMite Director – Jason Youngquist: A motion was made, seconded, and carried to approve Jason as the new director.

Topic	Discussion	Next steps
Coordinator Reports	<p>Referee – John Klimek</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not in attendance <p>Registrar – Shannon Callahan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not in attendance <p>Technology – Randy Kruse</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not in attendance • As soon as you want teams live on the website let Randy know and who should have permissions. • Jason – please email contact info to Randy and he'll set up the website. <p>Tournament Director/Golf – Tiffany Newton</p> <p>Golf Recap</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We had 24 teams. It was a good turnout and very exciting. • We have not received final bill yet but based on everything – approximately \$5900 dollars made. • Open to feedback regarding golf tournament – new date? Golf course? • Great turnout by the board as well and will try to expand for next year. <p>Hockey tournament</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sugar & Spice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ U12 A – only us and Albert Lea. ○ U12 B is at 7 teams. ○ U10 B2 is at 8 teams. ○ U10 B1 is at 6 – 1 team wondering if they can move to B2 as they are changing to B2 team 	

- Should we do a U15 tournament? RJ could put some feelers out to see if there is any interest, but then we would jump to longer games and additional refs. We would also need to change entry fee.
 - U15 is decided after high school; and then would it be for A or B? Add in having not advertised it...would need to reach out to a lot of different counties.
 - Like the idea of expanding the lower levels as an option.
 - A's are more aggressive; most registered before tournament was available.
- Do we keep pushing for two more teams for U12 A? Offer a price reduction?
- Start with associations that registered before.
- Start with breakeven discount? Follow-up with Katie to see what we charge our teams and then email around with 20% discount. Katie will have to give code for discount.

Big chill

- Currently is full.

River rumble

- Looking for one more Bantam C team.

Sponsorships – Teresa Zaruba/Lisa McDowell

- Not in attendance.
- Applebee's is interested in going beyond the \$1250 sponsorship and would like to do some fundraisers with us.
 - For example a pancake breakfast – they would do all the work (serving, cooking, etc.) but, it would be on us to sell \$10 tickets (split proceeds) with a 100 minimum.
 - We could do this during the girl's tournament. Other in-house teams will not likely be skating so could attend.
 - Thinking about one a month?
 - In addition, they have a gambling license and sell pull tabs but do not sell enough to add more. There is potential to do bingo.
 - Me and Julio's reached out to discuss gaming.
 - Pancake breakfast – is this something we could break off into team benefits? Let the team manager be responsible? By level? It would be difficult to sell 100 tickets per team. There is also a dining for dollars option; similar to how Chipotle fundraiser works.
 - We should put together something to put on the wall at Applebee's to draw attention.
 - Developing a banner to go into the east rink (sponsorship money).

District 8 – Adam Hoffman

- Recap sent to everyone – biggest change at state meeting was that Woodbury made a request away from MN variance to base teams by school boundary to have East Ridge program within their system.
- Girls' leagues will be fluid – some additions/subtractions determined by MN hockey.
- 12B regions? Adam will reach out for final confirmation if we will be hosting. Only host one – less impact

	<p>on in-house.</p> <p>Goalie – Steve DeBus</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not in attendance • Did goalie evaluations for teams (not squirts) but got everything we needed and was very helpful. • Keep 10U with others for evaluation – don’t need to be separate. • Steve is open to goalie clinic moving to Wednesday – any opinions? Not for sure – Adam will still work on schedule. • Goalie clinic starts week of 21st. 15 hours scheduled. <p>Secretary – Dana McGree</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final invoice was sent to Katie. Once paid we will get a ship date. <p>Recruitment- Josh Colvin</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not in attendance – trying to sunset himself from this position. • In searching for a termite director, TJ did come across a person interested in an off-ice position. He did offer the mom the opportunity and she was going to discuss with Josh. • Bring a friend – approximately 100 kids attended. Registered a family of 4 kids that day. This is a good source of recruiting. • Mid 90’s for learn hockey; Mite 1 – more kindergartners registered. • Last year we had a presence at activities fair at school. This fell through – principals weren’t thrilled with it. Tuckner helped promote bring a friend. <p>Heggie’s Pizza Fundraiser- Kari Erickson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kristi and Tiffany met and discussed. We will leverage team managers to help with forms. • Start first week in November with orders due on the 22nd and the following week to organize and submit. • Will do 2 orders; in-house and traveling. Sunday pick-up for in-house and pick-up for traveling sometime during the week. We will need two sets of crews to help with handout. Still need to work through various scenarios – for example, someone doesn’t pick up their pizzas. Timeline for pick up is Dec. 15th. • Working with Ashley (Heggie’s contact) • Usually have a managers meeting so this would be a good time to review forms then. • Need to follow-up with Katie on who opted out. 	
Officer Reports	<p>President – TJ Johnson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spiral Brewery Taproom Takeover <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Fun night, went well – haven’t heard final number from them yet. ○ Was asked about Hastings hockey window stickers – yes we have more. Volunteers to sell them Thursday night? 	

- Still have mini sticks from last year (200) that could also be sold \$5 for 1 \$9 for 2
- Communication with SKM has been good.
- Little Wild Update
 - High attendance of Hastings kids. We had 36 kids in the little wild program; mostly kids that were in ter-mites last year; some new girls to the program.
 - Overall it went well. Suggest that we continue to do this although there is the struggle with staffing due to timing of knowing when it will be scheduled.
- Locker Room Safety Policy
 - Traditionally had locker monitor – this has changed due to the need to complete Safesport training and can be difficult to be compliant. Are we prepared to put this responsibility on coaches to be in charge of that? Having an adult in the locker room helps. Technically you don't need to be in the locker room but it helps.
 - Easiest to discuss at team meetings – do they need to be there an hour before practice?
 - Work with the arena and have them lock the locker rooms.
 - Mandatory base layer policy for all players?
 - Cell phones – policy is that it is only allowed to stream music; should coach have a collection box?
 - 30 minutes early for practice – after 15 min coach comes in?
 - Do not have a cell phone policy; but comes from USA hockey? We should draw up an association wide policy. Will discuss with Jeff regarding locking locker rooms.
 - Per USA Hockey – at least one responsible screened adult directly monitoring the locker room to supervise
- Publishing final version of handbook.

Vice President – Adam Hoffman

- Ice schedule – working on it.
 - Add a couple U15 practice hours at the end of October?
 - Will send Dana an export to look at that vs. the master schedule from the arena; Adam will go into Sports engine to connect them and then the schedules will populate; will be out sooner this year than last year.
 - Let him know any requests – gave each team two extra (not in budget) but can also take them off.
- Gambling Update
 - Posted the position – will have meeting this week with Rob Judge – hopefully can offer dibs. Currently have about 5 people interested.
 - Classes are the first week of December and have some paper work to file. Some people have reached out that have done this in other associations.
- Live barn – city finally put together a contract for Live barn to sign. It went through the council and was denied twice; but finally decided to file and make movement to accept.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thoughts on asking the arena to bring back open hockey? • Thoughts on creating an Ice scheduling committee? <p>Treasurer – Katie Engrav</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not in attendance • Need a list for Heggie’s – TJ can do that • There are a couple squirts that still need to be switched. • Financial aid kids that need to get registered – 8U and 12U. Someone needs to reach out to this family to get them registered. Financial aid should go through the treasurer. 	
Director Reports	<p>Volunteers – Shannon Callahan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not in attendance • Confirm registrar sending information? Want to make sure it is getting done on our end with evaluations and scrimmages coming up. <p>Director of Hockey – RJ Schriefer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not in attendance • Thanks to all for help with try-out process. • CEP – district is looking for support for coaching clinics. Nov. 2nd we will offer level 1 clinic. Booked a room at the library and have ice time scheduled. • U6 and U8 need level 1 certification. • Model association – work on getting us compliant. <p>Operations – Jim Zgoda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equipment handout – 57 termites and 13 in-house mites/U6 – low number could be due to Little Wild but wondering if it is the \$50 rental fee. Currently have one more handout on Thursday (combined) and then still have a healthy budget for equipment. Would like to purchase replacements. • Adam filled out a grant for \$500 gift card to Dick’s – went during their 20% off but in the fine print doesn’t include Bauer, etc., but was able to get 11 total helmets, 5 helmet cages; pucks. • Game socks, puck bags are here so next step is to get jerseys and pucks out to the teams. • If they sign up after a certain date and we don’t have the equipment – do we want to go purchase? • Travel socks are here – they will fit this year; color wise they are almost dead on with the Bauer stuff. • Jesse needs 10 sets of mite jerseys? Is that doable? Jamie – needs 6 sets. We only have 14 teams of mite jerseys. Will call him tomorrow. Could we use Squirt jerseys? <p>In-House Girls – Jamie Stevens</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently have 18 U6 and 37 U8 players and will have one more U8 after financial aid comes through. • Wednesdays are hard for attendance and would be better to have Thursday or Monday; Adam will send the list. 	

- Team meeting is this coming Wednesday.

Travel Girls – Kristi Woodwick

- Currently have 22 10U players (2 short). Would be 11 on one team and 10 on the other.
- 12u – have 28 with 5 goalies and one goalie willing to move up.
- 15u – have 29 with three goalies. According to conversations with RJ and Coach Duggen – will take 3 of the registered players; most likely will lose a goalie that we weren't anticipating – down to one goalie for varsity; will probably have 14 skaters per team.
- Goalie tryouts went well but 10U do not really need to be there.
- District 8 – 15u players are looking for homes; we would have 2 open? Let Adam know after Thursday.

Ter-Mites – Jason Youngquist

- Nothing to report.

Mighty/Super Mites – Jesse Viall

- Not in attendance.

Squirts – Steve Hagen

- Working out tryout logistics.
- Follow-up regarding discounted registration rate for practice only player. There was some interest.
 - If funding is an issue there is financial aid to consider as an option.
- Still need to move some kids registration from mite to squirt and in-house to travel; and a double registration to correct.
- 28 skaters 4 goalies.

Peeweews – Sean McCabe

- Tryouts have been assigned.

Bantams/Jr. Gold/U16 – Dan Zgoda

- Bantams tryouts done – lost a player during fall clinic but picked up a player during tryouts.
- Waiting for River Falls to sign waiver (Rick Navarro was going to reach out as well). Their board meeting is next Wednesday. He'll be on the C team since he'll be joining after tryouts.
- Did have a couple players unable to tryout due to injury. They are allowed to have an hour or two of evaluation. After other information has come out, it sounds like one kid won't fall under that as he is currently playing football and doesn't have a medical note that states no activity and was a parental decision for him to not tryout. If that is the case, then he should be placed on the C team unless a medical waiver can be provided.

<p>New Business</p>	<p>Coaching Approvals</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2019-2020 Head Coaching Approvals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Squirt B- Mike Kennedy ○ PeeWee B1-Rick Navarro – head coach ○ Brady Loesch move to B2 • 2019-2020 Assistant Coaching Approvals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Bantam A - Ryan Stoffel, Rob Williams ○ Bantam B1 - Dan Zgoda, Joe Trautmann, Kiel Kwiatkowski ○ Bantam B2 - Brandon West ○ Bantam C - Josh Pauletti ○ U16 - Jeremy Navarro ○ Jr Gold - Rick Malm, Rob Williams ○ PeeWee A – Tyler Durner, Seth McGree, Dana Gerlach ○ PeeWee B1 – Joe Stark ○ PeeWee B2 – Frank Sieben ○ PeeWee C - Morgan Sweeney, Tyler McCarvel <p>Membership Comment: Team managers had to get background checks so might be willing to help out with locker room monitors – reach out to parents that were team managers in the past.</p> <p>Adjournment: 9:57</p>	
<p>Offline Approvals</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated special squirt meeting minutes • August meeting minutes • Coach approvals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ U10 B2 Head coach – Kristi Woodwick ○ U15 B Head Coach – Joey Schweich • Movement of 4 8U age eligible skaters to be placed on the 10B2 roster. 	
<p>Next Meeting</p>	<p>November 3rd, 2019 at 7:00pm</p>	