

4/14/19 Election & Town Hall Meeting

Present: Bill Burkhart, Kyle Vickery, Brent Baar, Stacey Van Patten, Sean Cunningham, Tim Stephans, Moose Younghans, Geri Rowan, Patti Schinzing and Devia Unklesbay

Elections:

Three positions - VP, - Tim Stephan- incumbent, Safe Sport- Brent Baar- incumbent, Member at Large- Shellie Rowe- incumbent- did not seek re-election.

One nomination for member at large- Devia Unklesbay.

Election positions therefore ran unopposed. Motion to ratify, no objections, positions ratified.

Potential co-op with Tartan.

Bill Burkhart presented information regarding potential co-op.

- Tartan approached JCNSP in February to discuss. Both associations are looking at need to improve numbers and resources in order to continue to provide competitive & affordable hockey.

- intend to operate as a co-op with each board maintained and a co-op committee/board in the middle to manage how it operates and report back to each board

- Committee would be made up of four board members each from JCNSP and Tartan board

- Current discussions flushed out what each side wants to maintain as is:

Tartan= Tournaments & charitable gambling

JCNSP= our fundraisers, maintain affordability/cost, and maintain the community culture of association and its alumni.

- discussing now because programs need to look ahead soon regarding numbers and do not want to wait until situation is in dire need.

- A co-op would eliminate turning kids away especially at the bantam & girls levels and allow kids to play at a more appropriate comparative level. It would also bring more resources to both.

- While two boards will still exist, for the kids one group play under a new name/logo

Questions:

- Is there a plan B- that would be go back to the two separate organizations

- How do we avoid being in this position in 5 years- more resources and numbers. With two boards more workforce.

- What district- District 2

- will we use all arenas- still up for discussion but early discussion is phalen and tartan arenas and to discuss polar with rink manager to see if we will be provided more appropriate ice hours

- What changed since the Polar/ Tartan discussion 4 years ago? Tartan has different board and did not want to compromise then.

They are willing and eager to do so now

- Potential numbers if combine:

- 3 bantam, 6 peewee, 6 squirt, and at minimum a team at each girls level. Still have advanced mites as well

- Communication about this going forward- board will vote following meeting and send blast to members with decision. If approved, will send follow up information as it is finalized

Board business meeting:

President and board welcomed Devia Unklesbay as new member at large.

Sean Cunningham motioned to accept co-op with Tartan, Brent Baar seconds. All in favor-none opposed.

Co-op meeting with Tartan in April 16, 2019.

May have board meeting after that, time/date TBD

Patti will attend D8 meeting April 16, 2019.

Sean Cunningham discussed option of purchasing hard dividers for mite practices/games. These are being used more and more at other associations and are very useful when running the mites. Also align with MN Hockeys mission of mite activities being played on 1/2 ice. Cost is \$7900 but there is a grant with MN hockey for \$2500. Thought it may be worth approaching county as well about cost sharing as would be kept at Arena

Future board meetings at American Legion on Arcade.

Next Board meeting May 20, 2019 8pm.