



RIVER FALLS YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

November 2020 Agenda

DATE: Wednesday, November 11th

LOCATION: Wildcat Centre, River Falls

ATTENDANCE: Jody Christensen, Carrie Torgersen, Kristin Jepson, Kaylan Wilson, Catherine White, Kevin Hare, John Linehan, Chad Flanagan, Paul Bloodhart and Nicole Ralston.

ABSENT: Frank Linn

Meeting called to order at 6:06

AGENDA

1. **Welcome, Intro, Agenda Review** **Wilson**

2. **Consent Items** (All can be approved in one motion, unless an item is removed by a board member for further discussion) **Wilson**
 - A. Agenda Approval
Action Item:
Approve Agenda and any supplementary
 - B. Approval of Materials
Action Item: Approve meeting minutes from past month.

Motion made to approve all consent items by John seconded by Jody. All in Favor.

3. **Guest Comments** **Guest**
 - Neil Accola was present for the meeting

4. **External Relations/Advertising** **Williamson**
 - Web address should be listed on the website for people to refer to if they have questions, phone number will be removed.
 - We will not continue player of the week this year due to C19
 - Jody will send a note to the team leads to have them send the group pictures to Jeri so she can upload them up on Instagram and Facebook

- No push for events on social media currently
- Rink number will be forwarded to Jody's cell phone

5. Hockey Operations - On Ice

Hare

- Conversation regarding the three peewee teams and the off/on ice schedule
- Roosters are scheduled to be submitted this Sunday.
- D2 States that teams can play 2 kids up a level to help with team shortages thru December 31st. Rules after January 1st have not been announced.
- Goalies are for emergency situations; form still needs to be completed.

6. Hockey Operations - Off Ice kids up

Christensen

- Tournaments are filling, it had slowed over the past month but is starting to pick back up
 - First tournament, Nov 20-22nd is full at the U10/U12 level
- PeeWee A tournament has been canceled; we were unable to fill. Board has approved to give \$500 to the PW-A's towards another away tournament. We have replaced his weekend Peewee C tournament; 4 teams are currently signed up. PeeWee C's will receive an extra home tournament
- Mite Holiday tournament has been cancelled and is replaced with an inhouse fun day. Mite 3 will still have host Forest Lake; they will be bringing two teams.
- Squirt tournament was named "Jennifer Jenkins Memorial" tournament, this was named after a board member/Squirt Mom. Board discussed keeping the plaque in the trophy case and moving forward with changing the name of the tournament
- Illinois is a no game state, during the region 6 call they mentioned that we may see teams register for tournaments in WI
- There will be t-shirt vendors for tournaments
- Trophy vendor is being switched from ED's trophies in Cottage Grove to Riverland Laser in RF. Price quote has proven savings. Trophies can be printed as needed.
- Jerseys are currently being handed out; we should have enough of the new style. Board has agreed to pay for any alterations needed at Kathy's Alterations.
- Ice schedule has had challenges with HS schedule changes. Waiting on the D2 schedule uploads before we know ice availability. Conversation regarding opening the rink during the day and holding last minute practices not mandatory practices.
- Arbiter for Officials is working, currently working thru any challenges and November is completed. Officials are using the equipment room for dressing.
- Several new managers this season, Managers meeting is complete. If you have any communication that needs to be addressed with the Association, send your email to Rachel Link by Friday, she will get it to the managers to send out to the teams.
- DIB's is open on the website. If you oversee a committee (other than coaches) please send your hour credits for your volunteers to Jody
- Hunt Ice will hopefully know towards the end of November if they will be taking ice rentals for January. Jody has communicated our ice needs to them.
- LTS registration will end on December 5th for Winter Mites

7. Building Events

White

8. Financial Operations

Flanagan

- Finance packet was reviewed, projected net loss for the season.

- i. Negative Income changes from budget include, limited HS attendance and cancelation of Mite tournament for concessions, Ice in, Basket Raffles, Preseason refunds and tournament registrations. Small gain on Registration fees
- ii. Reduction in expenses include; Building maintenance (lobby furnaces were budgeted for replacement and moved to 2021, switch from Cintas to Huesbsch, Concession expenses and LTS equipment moved to 2021. Zam overhaul was over budget.

- Hockeyville winnings have not been received
- We will be switching the map/towel service from Cintas to Huesbsch, they will be redoing our logo mat. Need to decide on the design.
- Chad, Jody, HS Coaches are to meet tomorrow night regarding contract, logo, mitigation C19 plan. Chad will talk to Rolly regarding consideration of changing the RF logo to the HS logo. Games will only allow home parents, no visitors parents.
- Tax service will be changing providers; GVZ

9. Fundraising

Jepson

- We were approached by company called Hockey Mom Brownie out of St Paul. They are the official brownies of the MN wild. They are looking to start a fundraising service, it's in the very beginning stages. Kristin will have more information for the December meeting.
- Ice Out bash will be planned for 2021 - family friendly event held at the rink
- Future consideration of holding a Purse Bingo night. Rush River has mentioned they would be interested.

10. Building Operations

Bloodhart

- Live barn should only be broadcasting games, Kaylan will follow up
- Paper towel fee in the woman's bathroom is fixed
- Received communication from two hockey Moms that they would be interested in cleaning two times a week for hours
- Bleachers need to be cleaned, Bloodhart will follow up with corrections dept
- Mite Dad interested in plowing; he owns his own plow. He is also a mechanic and will be looking to have the wipers fixed on the truck
- Squirt Dad works with HVAC, he has inspected our dehumidifiers and is sending service to have them recharged.
- 2 gutter requests have been initiated but haven't heard back
- DIBs will offer a daily sanitizer/cleaner, Paul putting together bullet points.
- Lobby Board program have been updated; Sullivan's will take over the updating.
- Katrina Loy has taken over the locker room assignments.

11. Member Engagement Retention/Recruitment

Wilson

- New Members will receive a follow up call to check in on member engagement.
- Online registration was a success
- Request that a new member box be added to registration for next year

12. Girls Coaching Committee

Swanson

- Tryouts and teams' selections have been completed
- HS Coach, Matt Cranston has been helping with coaching and support of the U14 Team

13. Other Business

Wilson

- Discussion regarding members coming to the Board if there is a COVID concern. Board should empower members to talk directly to anyone they see is not following the rules.
- Conversation supporting no co-practices between levels and safe distancing in the lobby and on the benches, Kaylan will add this to the weekly COVID communication.

- Easement for electrical was signed by Kaylan, Catherine will respond.

Motion to adjourn by John; Chad seconded. All in favor

<u>2020-2021 Calendar - Key Dates</u>	
November 11 th , 2020	Board Meeting – 6 pm
November 20-22 nd , 2020	U10/U12 Ponytail Classic
December 4 th -6 th , 2020	U14 Tournament
December 9 th , 2020	Board Meeting – 6 pm
December 12-13, 2020	Mite Extravaganza
January 8-10 th , 2021	Peewee B Tournament
January 13 th , 2021	Board Meeting – 6 pm
January 15-17, 2021	Peewee A/B Tournament
January 22-24 th , 2021	Squirt A/B/C Tournament
February 5 th -7 th , 2021	Bantam B/C
February 10 th , 2021	Board Meeting – 6 pm
February 19-21 st , 2021	Bantam A/B Tournament
February 27 th , 2021	Mites End of Year Party
March 10 th , 2021	Board Meeting – 6 pm
April 14 th , 2021	Board Meeting – 6 pm
May 12 th , 2021	Board Meeting – 6 pm