

In attendance

Jim Herlofsky	Kathy Schmid	Rob Erickson	Bill Karas
Amy Underwood	Karen Wagner	Don Blankenship	Doug Schuster
Tim Olson	Dan King	Doug Folk	Rich Balk
John Dreshar	Brad Kearns	Marty DeKanick	

Absent

<u>Guests</u> Bob McDougal	Phil Morem	John Huninghake	Eileen Tollefson
Dave Benik	Tom Belisle	Eric Iverson	Lisa McCullough
John Bliskowski			

Minutes

Members were given time to review the minutes. Tim Olson motioned to approve the minutes. Kathy Schmid seconded.

President's Report

Jim Herlofsky reported that the association can purchase up to 200 tickets to a Minnesota Wild game on November 25th at 1pm. First 200 people who have paid will get tickets. Karen Wagner agreed to create a form which will be available during registration. Jim also asked that the board decide on a provider for the pictures this season. Sports Star Photo had presented last meeting. Brad Kearns motioned to accept Sports Star as the provider. Karen Wagner seconded. Lastly, some board members are still having trouble getting into the website maintenance area. Jim said he would talk to Mystifyourweb about the problem.

Bantam Director's Report

Doug Schuster presented another proposal for merging with Cambridge in the Pee wee and Bantam ages. Doug expressed strongly that the board needed to consider this for those players who can be successful at the A level. Parents and coaches of players who will be at the pee wee and bantam levels for the '05-'06 season were present. All who spoke were for the merger. The board asked if any parents or coaches present were against the proposal. No one responded. Dan King asked if all the parents at the pee wee level had been contacted regarding the merger. Brad Kearns stated that all the pee wee parents had been called. Doug Schuster motioned to put the merger up for a vote. Don Blankenship seconded. The merger was approved by a vote of 11-2, with one board member abstaining.

Doug later reminded that the golf tournament is coming up on September 17th and that we still need teams. He also said that we should do something special for one particular girl who was able to get eleven \$100 hole sponsors.

Treasurer's Report

Amy Underwood passed out the registration form. Rich Balk said he would have a flyer available for mite starter packages at Dave's Sport Shop. Amy said that those who have not paid past dues will not be able to register without first paying past due bills. Also, those who have not paid will not be able to participate in tryouts for any merger teams. Set up for first registration will be at 7:30am.

Vice President's Report

Bill Karas said that he had created a Super Saints flyer and that some of the mites will be able to skate during the intermission of a Minnesota Wild game. Bill handed out a flyer advertising an opportunity to see the Women's National team. Lastly, he asked that we decide on the budget which had been distributed in July. Kathy Schmid motioned that we vote on the budget. Marty DeKanick seconded. The budget was approved 13-1.

Ice Purchaser's Report

Rich Balk asked when we wanted to have ice in the arena. Jim stated that Lance Pitlick would not be able to run a clinic for us this year and that, if we wanted to have a skills clinic prior to tryouts, we would need to seek out another provider. If we had a skills clinic, we would need the ice to be ready by September 26th. Rich also said that Terry Allen told him that painting the arena wasn't possible. Rich also said that he had contacted Andy Anderson about goalie clinics and Anderson had said that he would be happy to run them for us at \$100/hour. Board agreed to

let Rich get more information. Sunday goalie clinics may end up becoming two times a month, instead of every Sunday night. Concession fee to the city is going up to \$4500 according to Terry Allen.

Gambling Director's Report

Kathy Schmid stated that she had called the state regarding gambling license and that there was no progress. In addition, there was a new form to be signed. She has gotten checks for the start up money and for the software. She also has the check to purchase the equipment from the Lions. Kathy would like to train 10-15 people to work meat raffles at Cyndy Sue's and that she would like to amend a previous motion of paying meat raffle volunteers \$20 and to now make it \$10. This way there is no competition between the meat raffles at Hunters and the meat raffles at Cyndy Sue's. The board agreed with the amendment.

Equipment Director's Report

Doug Folk received bids from Hockey Giant and from Dave's Sport Shop for equipment. He said many of the jerseys need to be replaced. One set turned in had acquired mold and were destroyed. Amy said that there is \$86 available per person from registration fees that could be used toward jerseys. Jim Herlofsky suggested ordering 4 sets of jerseys but to make sure we have enough money left for mite jerseys. Doug has inventoried all jerseys and other equipment and has created a sign out procedure to begin this year. Doug also brought up updating the logo since not all the jersey sets have the same logo. Doug will get samples of logo updates for the board to examine.

Girls' Director's Report

Tim Olson questioned how a player might waiver out of the association and into another. Jim Herlofsky stated that most boards now ask for proof such as a utility bill with address to certify home address. The 14U skaters may need a place to play since the numbers are so low. Tim brought up options such as skating the 12Us with the 14Us at 14U level.

ACE Director's Report

John Dreshar has coaching applications for most levels. He said there are no applicants for peewees, house squirts, or girls. Since tryouts will begin September 30th, we need to hold interviews very soon. It was decided that John would try to secure the Legion in St. Francis for Wednesday, September 7th for coaching interviews. Dan King shared that elected coaches need to be informed that they should register for tournaments ASAP.

Peewee Director's Report

Brad Kearn had nothing

Squirt Director's Report

Don turned in tournament applications for A squirts to get checks.

Mite Director's Report

Marty DeKanick said that 17 kids and 6 adults participated in Acorn Days for SFYHA.

House Director's Report

Rob Erickson informed the board that there is a District 10 meeting for mite coordinators and that he had heard that refs will be wanting more accountability from parents and volunteers serving in the penalty box.

Volunteer Director's Report

Karen Wagner said she will have the volunteer form ready for parents to sign off on and that there is info on the website.

Secretary's Report

Dan King asked for any items that should go in *Puck News*. He also asked if a goalie coach would be able to earn volunteer credit as a 4th coach. Jim said it would depend on the circumstances.

Doug Schuster motioned to adjourn. Rob Erickson seconded. Meeting adjourned.

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