

**St. Francis Youth Hockey Association
Board Meeting Minutes
Sunday, October 1, 2006 – 6:00pm @ East Bethel Arena**

In attendance

Amy Underwood	Doug Folk	Dan King	John Dreshar
John Huninghake	Brad Kaehler	Karen Wagner	Tina Mraz
Rob Erickson	Guy Farah	Jeff Palmer	Corey Denny
Kathy Schmid	Darren Rodine		

Absent

Bill Karas	Don Blankenship	Joe Frederickson
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Guests

Denny Swanson	Pete Underwood	Mark Brettschneider
Ross Gillespie	Joe Adler	Pat Hosch
Matt Prater		

Minutes Minutes from last board meeting were passed out and reviewed. Dan King will be filling in for the absent Bill Karas. Dan asked if there were any changes; none requested. Darren Rodine motioned to approve minutes as read. Tina Mraz seconded. Minutes approved.

Dan King asked if there were any guests which had issues that needed to be addressed to the board.

- Denny Swanson wanted to let everyone know that his wife Shari was available for any embroidery or screenprinting which needed to be done. The name of her new company is 'Northwoods Embroidery' and handed out her business cards. She indicated that all apparel sold through association would get approximately 5% kickback.
- Pat Hosch indicated his 14 year old daughter needs a waiver to skate either out of Osseo or Maple Grove. Dan King had necessary paperwork for him already signed by President – Bill Karas. Also, provided him with District 10 President's phone number, Tim Timm.
- Matt Prater is interested in being a Mite A coach and hasn't been contacted yet.

President's Report Absent

Vice President's Report Dan indicated final declarations of teams needed to be determined this evening.

- **Squirts:** John Huninghake indicated Tony Schmid is indecisive thus far. Questioned if District 10 would give us a couple of extra days. Possibly (1) B1 team and (2) B2 teams. Issues in question are our weak goaltending. John Dresher gave his thoughts on the subject. John H. indicated he wants to take direction from team coaches as to where they should be placed. Dan K. asked if parents were polled, which they had not yet been questioned. Then conversation went into if there were (2) B2 teams, they would not be equal. This was a concern when the girls were trying out, therefore it would be difficult to allow the boys to have a upper B2 and lower B2 team. Upon contacting Tony Schmid to get his final determination, he still was leaning towards a lenience to make a final determination, or board should make final determination. Upon a lengthy discussion, it was determined there would be (1) A team, (1) B1 team and (1) B2 team.

John H. indicated we have (2) approved squirt coaches at this point; Tony Schmid (A team) and Ross Gillespie (B1 team) and that he had stepped up to coach the B2 team as no applicants had been received for this position. Darren Rodine expressed interest in coaching this team, Kathy Schmid indicated we needed to go through the proper channels in order to alleviate any problems as with the girls coaching situation. John Dreshar indicated he agreed and would need to receive a coaching application from him and have it reviewed by the coaching committee. In the meantime, John H. will skate with the team until a new coach was selected. He would make an announcement to parents on B2 team to see if anyone else was interestede in coaching as well.

- **PeeWees:** Guy Farrah indicated coaches and tryouts judges recommended they go B1 and C. Emily Swanson wants to skate at St. Francis. Parents wanted her to waiver out. Jeff Z. at District 10 was mentioning they would like to make a C PeeWee and Bantam division for skaters. Hopefully they will have enough teams.
- **Bantams:** Rob Erickson indicated they would be skating B1.
- **Girls:** Tina Mraz indicated there would be (2) 10U B teams and (1) 8U B team. (3) girls parents don't feel tryouts were fair. Tina indicated she showed format on how teams were selected. Tina indicated one of the fathers would like to assistant coach. Doug indicated he already has (4) assistant coaches. Tina thinks there is (1) family pushing other (2) families to cause this concern.

Tryout Feedback

- Problems again this year with judges following directions. Completing entire form first day and only half the second day.

- Dan thought windows not being covered last day was not good, should keep tryouts closed entire time.
- Coaches should contact players that evening, not at arena. Did cause some hard feelings for players that didn't make the team they wanted.
- Mark B. thought posting coaches ahead of time was not a good idea. However backed by Board Agenda.
- John H. indicated it would be beneficial to have a little time inbetween last day of tryouts and first scheduled practices.

Treasurer's Report Amy handed out P&L statements. She hasn't deposited any checks as of yet. She received several expense request forms:

- B1 PeeWees – TBD @ \$500.00, Monticello @ \$600.00 and Willmar @ \$450.00 – Approved.
- B2 Squirts – Unknown tournaments @ \$1500.00 – Approved.
- 10U Girls White – Unknown tournaments @ \$1500.00 – Approved.
- A Squirts – Unknown tournaments @ \$1500.00 – Approved.

There was a motion by Doug Folk to approve all of these, and a 2nd by Darren Rodine.

Amy indicated she received (2) rosters; all rosters need to have names of assistant coaches, head coach and manager. If names are not on roster, they will not be allowed to be on the ice. She also indicated coaching CDE cards need to be received by December 30, 2006. If registered for a class and have written confirmation, you will still be allowed to be on the ice.

Amy indicated she would be placing an order for new Board Member jackets. Appears we need to order (5) jackets.

Equipment Director Doug indicated Mite jerseys have been ordered along with the other jerseys. He indicated it would be beneficial to have some sort of a storage facility at arena for easy access for small items. He said he would like to get the storage unit equipped, he thought it would take approximate \$200.00 of supplies to get the storage racks completed. John H. indicated he would try to get supplies at discount(?) Amy U. motioned to approve funds for John H. to purchase supplies, Darren Rodine seconded motion. Date to complete this project is Sunday, October 7, 2006.

Ace Coordinator John is working on getting H.E.P. information for teams. Doug indicated some stock in storage shed of tapes, etc.

Girls Director Tina was inquiring about team signs. Doug F. indicated there are some banners in locker rooms. Banners will need to be revised with new names. Teams in charge of their own banners.

Bantam Director Rob indicated High School now has too many skaters. Rob has told them they have to be registered by October 8, 2006 if they will want to play in the association if they don't make the High School teams. He also mentioned they don't want to participate in Jeff Palmer's clinic. They want to dictate their own practice schedule. **Jeff Palmer clinic situation will be tabled until November meeting.

Goalie Director Corey is being asked to skate with a lot of the teams. He will try to skate at least (1) time with every team to assist the goalies. However, if goalies attend clinics on Sunday night, this should alleviate this.

Ice Purchaser Brad indicated he is planning to attend the game scheduling, Thursday will be Bantams and Saturday is the Squirts. PeeWees is scheduled for October 14th. He needs tournament dates for teams so he can make sure he doesn't schedule games when teams will be out of town.

Volunteer Coordinator Working with volunteers who said they would lead the S.K.A.T.E. program. Hopefully should be a great year for this. We are really going to promote and support this program.

Gambling Manager Kathy indicated September has been the most profitable month thus far. 2500 hockey calendars have been ordered. She plans to attend City Council meeting to get this approved prior to handing any calendars out. 8 calendars per player, maximum of 12 per family. \$10.00 of every calendar in addition will go towards ice bills. Kathy needs all team rosters and master registration form. Drawing for calendars will be January 17th. Kathy indicated she would like to make a motion to pay back association the \$5000.00 start-up fee for gambling. Dan King made motion, John Dreshar seconded. Motion carried.

Continuing Business Coaches selection for B2 squirts and B Mite.

New Business No new business

Amy Underwood motioned to adjourn meeting; Karen Wagner seconded. Motion carried.