

**St. Francis Youth Hockey Association
Board Meeting Minutes (FINAL)
Wednesday December 12th, 2007- 7:00 p.m. @ St. Francis Community Center**

In Attendance:

Bill Karas
Brad Kaehler
Kristie Wilmer

Marty Dekanick
Karen Hartstrom
Brian Besch
Tina Mraz

John Dreschar
Rob Erickson
Mark Brettschneider
Doug Folk

Cory Denny
John Huninghake
Jeanine Tasler

Absent:

Joe Fredrickson

Don Blankenship

Kathy Schmid

Guests:

Wade Barck

Minutes:

Minutes from last board meeting were passed out and reviewed. Bill Karas asked that the board review the minutes and suggest any changes. No changes were needed. A motion was made to approve the minutes; motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Presidents Report:

Arena update: Bill stated that the meeting with the city went well. The City was requesting more information to assure that we can acquire the arena. Larry from Village Bank also attended. He assured the City that they are 100% behind us. The next step is to meet with City Hall. A group needs to be formed to create a business plan and budget. A meeting may be called later this month regarding all of this. Girls Hockey: Some of the high school girls paid US Hockey so that they could skate with the girls. Tina is going to talk to Joe Barton to see if Center Ice Club can help with some of these fees. Andrew Humanns sister would like to help the B2 red squirt goalie as a student coach. This was acceptable to all. Bill stated that the Supersaint program was now over and it went great. Bill requested that we spend \$500 of gambling funds for the East Bethel relief fund for flooding our outdoor rinks. Last year they also did it at no cost. A motion was made to spend the \$500, was seconded, and passed unanimously.

Vice Presidents Report:

Registration is complete. Mites are complete. U8 girls still needs to be completed.

Treasures Report:

Brian stated that there are \$35,000+ in ice bills that are outstanding. The current checkbook balance is \$4,841.22. Brian will let team managers know if they have players with outstanding ice bills. For those teams that did not take 45 hours of ice at the lottery, that is what they were assigned to take and will be charged accordingly per Bill. There are still some outstanding equipment bills for the jerseys and socks.

Gambling Manager:

Bill passed around gambling reports and financials, Kathy was working. A motion was made to approve \$35,000 for December expenses, seconded and passed unanimously. We now have electronic bingo at Maxx's.

Equipment Director:

Nothing new to report

ACE Coordinator:

Nothing new to report.

House Director:

Absent

Girls Director:

Tina stated that the 10U girls won a tournament. The 8U girls went to the Gopher game as well.

Bantam Director:

The B1 team won a tournament as well. They are seeing the kids mature and do the right thing within the Bantams. The kids are dressing sharp for games as well as the coaches. Very exciting to see! Great goal tending as well.

Peewee Director:

John said that the B1 team was a runner up in a tournament, lost in a shootout. Very exciting game!

Squirt Director:

John stated that it appears that we are skating at the right levels this year, and sees a big difference from last year. The B2 Squirts are very competitive this year.

Mite Director:

Wild game went well. Dec. 15th the A mites will skate at the High school game. Other youth nights are listed on the website.

Goalie Director:

Get your goalies to the clinics, 2 goalies is a waste of time. Need a coach for this week, John Huninghake agreed to coach.

Ice Purchaser:

Nothing new to report

Volunteer Coordinator:

We made approximately \$500-\$550 at the apparel sale. Puck news should be out this week.

Continuing Business:

In regards to the arena, Mark B asked that we start working on a plan for a Board/ committee for the arena purchase. Brad is working on a business plan outline as well as a preliminary budget. Bill stated that we would need a financial committee as well. Bill also stated that as a 501C we would not have to pay property taxes on the arena in Anoka County. Board members were asked if they would like to be on the purchasing committee, Bill, Brad, Brian, Mark, John H, John D, Jeanine and Marty all would like to be on the committee.

New Business:

None.

Meeting adjourned.