

St. Francis Youth Hockey Association
Board Meeting Minutes (DRAFT)
Wednesday October 10th, 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

Cory Denny
John Huninghake
Jeanine Tasler

Absent:

Kathy Schmid

Joe Fredrickson

Don Blankenship

Doug Folk

Guests:

Jennifer Adler
Stuart Vincent

Denae Preese
Dan King

Bree Medin
John Wilmer

Harold Anderson

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.

Bree brought up some concerns regarding locker room theft at the arena. There were some stolen items including tennis shoes within the PeeWee practice times. It was also mentioned that some children were spitting and the like. Dan King did state that there may be a witness and that this is being addressed.

Denae asked that coaches remind the players to be considerate of each other. Jeanine stated that there has been a ring of theft within hockey arenas in the area recently. Bill and Rob are working on getting the locker rooms re-keyed so that we can lock them.

Denae and Bree had concerns with the PeeWee B2 team as well. John Dreschar addressed much of this as he is the director for the PeeWees. We did not have a coach or assistant coach at this time, we are lacking goalies, and there are a large number of kids on the team. Harold and Stuart both agreed to be coaches as well as Dave Preese. Some kids have already been approached to try the goalie positions. The Association will pay for the CEP cards for the coaches as well as provide goalie pads for the goalies. Tim Herdins from North Branch will also coach. There was discussion on moving kids up levels to have less players on the PeeWee B2 team. However, it was decided that this would not help as it would take away too much talent from the PW B and PW B2.

There is now 54 hours of ice due to no PW C team. There will be an ice lottery soon for all ice times.

Presidents Report:

Bill thanked Mark, Ben and the crew for a great job on tryouts. Nothing else to report.

Vice Presidents Report:

We are all set on transmittals. North Branch already has a copy.

Treasures Report:

We now are up and running with online banking. We have approximately \$15,000 in our account after paying ice bills for October and November. The next due date for ice bills is October 15th. The final is due in December. If you have signed up for Tournaments, please get the invoices to Brian.

Gambling Manager:

Absent

Equipment Director:

Absent

ACE Coordinator:

Mark was happy with tryouts, and thanked all that helped. The socks and jerseys should be here within 2 weeks. We are splitting the cost of these 50/50 with North Branch.

House Director:

Nothing to report.

Girls Director:

Paige requesting to waiver up to U10 Girls. She skated at this level last year. The waiver was granted. We may have another North Branch girl as well. Numbers all look good.

Bantam Director:

Nothing to report.

PeeWee Director:

John thought try outs went great. He is hopeful that we can make everything work for the PeeWees with the new adjustments.

Squirt Director:

John stated that we have 4 Squirt teams, an A, 2 B2's and a C.

Mite Director:

Marty stated that we now have 101 mites! This is up another 29 kids in the last couple of weeks. Once we have Mite evals we will know better what levels we will skate. It is possible that we will send 4-5 kids to the North Branch D Mite team. There are also still 50 or so tickets for the Wild Game.

Goalie Director:

Cory stated that we had 8 goalies at the goalie clinic on Sunday.

Ice Purchaser:

We had some open ice for this upcoming Saturday, Sq B2 Red took that ice. There are some issues with a conflicting fundraiser with North Branch. They requested that these hours not be charged to them. The Board did not grant that request.

Volunteer Coordinator:

Karen stated that there were some questions in regards to volunteer hours for each parent. As we have staffed all of the gambling and the concessions, it is hard to figure out what to do with this. Also, we did not charge a fee at registration. It will be left up to each team and team manager to decide how to handle this. Also, there is another fundraiser opportunity to sell Gopher and MN Wild gear. We will get 20% of the sales for this. It was decided that we will do this fundraiser in November or December. We should have our calendars in about 2 weeks.

Continuing Business:

Arena update: Bill and Brad are working on an offer. We are on the agenda for the November 7th meeting with East Bethel.

Also, Bree asked about the Handicapped concerns with the arena. There are a couple of concerns that have been addressed with the City of East Bethel. Bill will follow up on this

New Business: None

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.