

**St. Francis Youth Hockey Association
Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, November 2, 2006 – 6:00pm @ St. Francis Community Center**

In attendance

Amy Underwood	Doug Folk	John Dresher	Marty DeKanick
John Huninghake	Brad Kaehler	Karen Wagner	
Rob Erickson	Guy Farah	Corey Denny	
Kathy Schmid	Tina Mraz	Bill Karas	

Absent

Don Blankenship	Joe Frederickson	Jeff Palmer	Dan King
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Guests

Dan Olson	Tony Schmid	John Squire
Sally Mishler	Dean Struntz	

Minutes Minutes from last board meeting were passed out and reviewed. Bill Karas asked if there were any revisions to be made. Kathy Schmid motioned to approve minutes as read. John Dresher seconded. Minutes approved.

President's Report

Bill Karas welcomed all of the guests. Asked if any of them had any issues which needed to be addressed...

- Dan Olson indicated he would like to waive his son Jordan up from mites to squirts. Bill indicated he would provide a short summary of the situation at hand. Bill went on to note that at the time this was addressed prior to tryouts, he was under the impression Jordan had 2 more years as a mite, therefore waivering up was not an option. However, when it was determined that Jordan only had 1 more year, it seemed he should be moved up to squirts. Bill indicated he took full responsibility for this oversight and opened table up for discussion.
 - Amy Underwood indicated she is in agreement to move him up, however it is the parent's responsibility to make sure their child is in the right place prior to tryouts. In addition, as Jordan is a goalie and has been practicing with the A Squirt team, that it was somewhat unusual that he would be moved up to the top team in this level.
 - Bill wanted to address the integrity issue which has been questioned regarding this issue; he contacted several of the other goalie parents and discussed the situation in full detail so everyone understood what was going on. All parents were in agreement with where they child had been placed during the tryouts and were happy with where their player was and did not want them to tryout for the A Squirt goalie position. He confirmed this with Sallie Mishler who had this conversation with Bill.
 - John Dresher added that all kids tried out and now a kid comes in and doesn't tryout. What are the other kids going to think. A Squirt team is in need of another goalie, however it seems quite unusual at where he was placed.
 - Tony Schmid was asked what he thought, he indicated he never practiced his coach pick, so why can't he pull him up as a head coach. He said he would take the responsibility for anything that would be said regarding this.
 - John Huninghake indicated he just wants to make sure this isn't the 'Old Boys Club' putting a player where they want them to be.
 - Sally Mishler indicated when speaking with Bill she aggress she is happy where her goalie is at. She thought there may be other parents who may have issues.
 - Corey Denny was asked his opinion of Jordan's ability as a goalie. Denny confirmed he is a very talented kid, works hard. It's a tough decision, agrees with other parent consideration. He believes he would do fine at the A Squirt level.
 - John indicated it's in the best interest to have 2 goaltenders on the A Team. Sallie indicated she spoke with other goalie parents and they were all fine with this decision.

John Huninghake made a motion that A Squirt coach request Jordan be moved up from the mite level to squirt to be a goalie. John Dresher seconded motion. 1 opposed – remaining in agreement. Motion carries.

Bill requested all coaches make sure they attend the Jeff Palmer clinics and skate on ice.

Bill indicated that Darren Rodine has resigned from the Vice President position. Therefore, the position is open. John Squire has noted interest to fill in this position for the remaining portion of his position. Kathy Schmid made a motion to accept John Squire as the new Vice President. Tina Mraz seconded motion. Unanimous. Motion carries.

Rosters: Vice President needs to help complete rosters. Amy Underwood indicated she would take most of the responsibility for this, John S. said to let him know if she needs any help. Pictures have been confirmed, sheets with times will come for managers. Karen Wagner to hand out to managers.

Super Saints first practice at 8:10am on Saturday, any Board Member who would like to come and skate are welcome, make sure to wear a helmet.

Vice President's Report Nothing to Report

Gambling Report Kathy just completed paperwork and handed out financials of games closed. Hasn't received checkbook from bank yet. Sent letter to gambling board to approve \$5000.00 payback of start-up loan provided by association. She mailed it on 11/2 and will need to get approval before it can be paid back. She indicated she will open up another account to put profits in. They can go back 3 years with audit, therefore if money is put into another account, it can not be included in audit. Calendar cost is \$2635 which has been paid in 2 different checks. Rent was paid to FatBoys for September and October. East Bethel received \$500.00. Kathy noted the gambling convention is scheduled for November 16,17,18 at the Civic Center in St. Cloud. Anyone is welcome to go. Amy thanked Kathy for all her hard work handling the gambling.

Treasurer Report Amy went over the P&L Statement. \$3000 in volunteer carryover from last year needs to be paid out with no funds to cover this. Majority of this was from concessions and we as we are not running concessions this year, we are not collecting any funds. Bill indicated Chops owes approx \$1800 – Kathy suggested we file a complaint with MN Gambling Board. Amy is concerned about credits for ice bills without money received. Bill didn't have an answer for this, need to credit parents regardless. Need to pursue funds which are owed to association.

Registration, need to receive all background checks. Student coaches need to be in full gear. 1 head coach, 2 assistant coaches. No one under age 16 can student coach.

Coaching certification – only reimburse for level you are coaching up to \$65.00. John Drescher made a motion to only reimburse to level necessary for that coach. Marty seconded motion. Motion carried.

Amy needs to buy 3 ring binders; Sally indicated she could donate some from work.

Equipment Director Doug indicated jerseys are in, no goalie equipment left. John H. indicated he purchased material for storage shed @ \$176.56 and had receipt for Amy. However he said that he needed to pay for the pre-season skate @ \$40.00 and would donate the rest of what was owed him back to the association.

Ace Coordinator Nothing – Bill asked John about HEP. Need to confirm coaches CEP cards by December 31, 2006. Need to start with last year mites & 8U girls.

Girls Director Tina was questioned regarding the 8U attending the Mite Jamboree and if it would be paid for. Bill indicated we would need to table this for after the first of the year meeting. All registration for this tournament is due by January 11, 2007. To get registration in now, send check, bill the parents and if we are able to pay for this tournament we can credit the parents ice bills at a later time. Tina indicated the high school girls are going to do the buddy program with the younger girls. Ashley Bliskowski is going to sign her letter of intent on Monday at 6:30pm at the high school. Haley Schmid has been noted as a player to watch in the North Suburban and will be in an article in the paper.

PeeWee Director Guy wanted to confirm procedure for tournaments regarding allowance of \$1350.00. Amy indicated that no tournaments are paid for, coaches can submit for checks to go out from association, however parents will be billed for tournaments based upon number of players on each team (14 players on each team). He indicated the C team has 14 games and the B1 team has 20 games. Therefore the C team is 2 hours short for ice practices. He made a motion due to the shortage of 2 hours of ice time, it could go toward the Isanti/Cambridge tournament @ \$400.00. It was approved by the Board that they are to be entered into Isanti/Cambridge at recommendation of District 10 to get additional games. There was a private donation of \$17.50 to cover the overage amount. Marty seconded this motion. Motion carried.

Ice Purchaser Brad passed out breakdown of ice time for the Jeff Palmer clinic. He provided the dates of the mandatory coaches and manager meetings; PWB1 & Bantam 11-7, PWC 11-8, Squirt / U10 11/9

Squirt Director There is a squirt that wants to move up to be a PeeWee. However, he no longer wishes to do this – mute issue.

Mite Director Super Saints already discussed; 35 kids so far signed up. A Mites first practice – 34 signed up with 8 returning from Super Saints last year. 14 C Mites. Wild Tickets have been taken care of.

Goalie Director Nothing

Volunteer Coordinator We are going to allow hours to be worked in the penalty boxes, time clock and score book at games. Need to confirm if we are hosting a District Tournament at our arena. If not, we may be hurting for volunteer hours for parents. Karen provided names of winner from golf tournament to Marty so he can distribute the tickets when he receives them.

President's Final Words Bill closed with the integrity of this association will never be altered. He also wanted to stress the importance of everyone going out to vote for the referendum. Marty added that he thinks we should donate to this which will help with the production of the signs that were put out. Teachers put an add in the newspaper with their own money to help inform everyone of the issues. Marty made a motion to donate \$300.00 toward this fund. John Dreshar seconded. Motion carried.

Continuing Business Need to discuss evaluation of Jeff Palmer clinic at next meeting.

New Business No new business

Karen Wagner motioned to adjourn meeting; Guy Farah seconded. Motion carried.