

OYHA BOARD MEETING MINUTES
November 18, 2009
Four Seasons

Members Present: Dave Swenson, Annette Arndt, Brad Medvec, Sara Heyer, Brenda DeVinny, Todd Valento, Vicki Mayer, Eric Lehrer, Wendy Bogen, Colleen Rehman, Marc Wiese

Members Absent: Tim Dorway, Nikki Gieseke, Dave Johnson, Dan Sawyer, Jim VonRuden

Guests: Deb Mandt, Sherry Anderson, Amy Shornack, Will Fish

Minutes Recorded By: Annette Arndt

Motion to approve the October Meeting Minutes by Brad Medvec, seconded by Marc Weise. Approved.

GUESTS

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GAMBLING REPORT

Gambling is really slow. Bubba's wants to do bingo. Would need an OYHA representative present and startup cost would be \$300. Unsure how much profit it would bring in. We will not move forward on this at this time. Wendy Bogen made a motion to approve October gambling reports, seconded by Sara Heyer. Brad Medvec made a motion to pre-approve December gambling reports, seconded by Eric Lehrer. All approved.

TREASURERS REPORT

Donation income is at \$500. Budgeted \$12,000. Need to work on fundraising. Merchandise income should increase in the next few months. Showing negative tourney income because of a few team refunds. Concession income is behind due to expense of purchasing inventory. Equipment is \$800 below budget. Gambling income is higher than expense. If continues as is, we would be \$20,000 over budget in gambling income. Clarified miscellaneous expense. Marc Weise made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Vicki Mayer seconded. Approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Tournament Committee

Tournament Status: All tournaments filled with the exception of Bantam C (6 approved) and Squirt A (4 approved). Two more for Bantam C registered, just waiting for checks.

Merchandise has been ordered for sale at tournaments which includes: garment bags, backpacks and hockey pants. This merchandise will be generic (no OYHA logo) and will be sold at the check-in table which needs to be staffed by 2 people for each shift.

Additional vendors at the tournaments: donuts, metal cutouts, jewelry, and UBER gloves (need to confirm with Nikki). Some vendors will need to be placed in the arena.

Stickers for Pucks and Welcome packets for teams will be put together at the next Tournament Committee meeting on Dec 8th. Those packets will include:

1. tournament passes for the coaches
2. free treat (undetermined at this time) for the players

3. restaurant coupons (Need update from Dave S) (Jim V will check with Southpark Lanes, Wings, Taco Johns and Godfathers) (Wendy to check with Dominos) 1400 to cover all tournament teams
4. Express tickets? – Wendy to check with them for free tickets

Brenda and Dave J have completed brackets. Applications for December will be mailed next week.

Requests for rosters has been emailed to all Bantam and PeeWee teams. Most of those have been returned. Tournament T-shirt order forms will be emailed to teams this week.

Tournament Programs cannot be completed until all tournament sponsors are committed. Need update from Nikki and Dan.

ITEMS OUTSTANDING:

1. Programs
2. Cash for tournament
3. Tournament T-shirts order forms returned by teams
4. EMT contract

Coaching Committee

Close to finalizing Squirt B Coaches

Park and Rec

Our practices are going very well, many coaches and parents are showing up to help on the ice each session, we are getting some young mentors, and the kids and coaches are all having fun.

I just ordered the rest of the goalie equipment yesterday, including the chest/arm protection. We will have four full sets of goalie gear. Owatonna Metal Recycling bought us six new mite-size goals which are the same size as the ones that Dodge county has.

I talked to Chris Prescott from Waseca the other day about their mite program. He is having a hard time getting coaches to commit to the program. I invited him to bring some coaches to some Sunday practices at our rink to let their coaches mix in with ours and see what we are doing. If they show up, please help them understand our thoughts on basic skills, small area games, and stations. We would like to scrimmage their mites after the first of the year. Dodge County is looking forward to our 4-on-4 scrimmages again this year. I was hoping to add Austin to our scrimmage schedule, but have had no luck in making that connection yet. We've decided to implement a "Level One Advanced" to better utilize our ice space. We selected a hand full of Level One kids who are on the verge of testing out and we are having them skate on Saturdays and Sundays on the same sheet of ice as the Level Two kids. They will have their own space, dividing the ice with the border patrol pads. We will conduct what Will has referred to as "deep practice" with that small group of kids to get their tested skills mastered in a less-congested space while freeing up the space for more of the Level One skaters. As more Level One skaters show that they are closer to testing we will add them to the Level One Advanced. With 60 kids and many helpers on the ice at once during the Level One skating sessions, this will help us free up some space. We feel it will be a successful progression - - we will let you know how it goes. First series of testing will be done this week.

Concessions committee

The nacho bar will be back at the Express home game Friday night, Nov. 13th and will be strategically placed near the beer sales to see if an increase in revenues will follow. There was talk on the addition of a few items including Ramen noodles among other items. We will also use the remaining pulled pork to offer meal deals during our home tournaments with the possibility of having tables set up in the mezzanine area to accommodate those patrons who choose to eat at the arena.. The donut sales will be offered only on specific nights where we feel attendance would be a positive factor. Need handout for Park & Rec parents because they are not utilizing the website.

Merchandise Committee

Distributed items ordered. Getting merchandise ready to sell at tourneys.

Communications Committee

Tim is still in the process of finishing the Parent Handbook/Operating Guide. There is a lot of editing to be done in combing the two documents; however he is near completion and will have a draft to the full Board before our December meeting, most likely in a week or two. Need to get all sponsors and team pages updated on the website.

Equipment Committee

I think we are about done fitting kids for now. We also have given all teams except one their jerseys. All teams should have their water bottles/ first aid kits/pucks etc. Need to take a look at buying some new goalie pads apparently we have some that are too wide. That we need to do ASAP. Got some used pieces donated, but still need more.

Registration:

All the teams have been done. Colleen and Vicki got all the signatures from players and coaches. Brad was nice enough to take these supplemental rosters and copies to Waseca to get them stamped (Squirts are just getting finalized). We received 1 late registration for PeeWee's.

One reminder, if you see a player or coach on the ice who is not on the roster you need to tell them, the head coach and registration committee. The minute a non-rostered person is on the ice and someone gets hurt, no one is covered by USA Hockey. The registration committee cannot be at all practices; we need all board members to enforce these rules.

Kickoff/Banquet:

Nothing to report at this time. The Pork Commercial is tentatively scheduled for February 27th, but considering changing to last weekend in January since there is a home tourney that weekend.

Ice Committee:

All games and practices are up to date. Some ice time has freed up in November and December due to OHS practice time adjustments. Could be some schedule changes.

Fundraising

Fundraising update for November board meeting:

1. Sponsorships
 - > Nearly have all team sponsorships with a few new team sponsors in place-CTS construction, Prairie Ridge Orthodontics, Cole's Electric (shared team sponsor), Sign Pro of Owatonna/Fame Awards (shared team sponsors)
 - > Still need many more tournament sponsors, tough going getting them for everyone
 - > Need all sponsors in place by end of week (Friday, November 20th) in order to get them included in tournament program printing.
 - > Could use 1-2 additional large raffle items
 - > Wild program sales netted OYHA \$1000!!! Congratulations to Dave Swenson for this big one!
 - > Need 1-2 additional team sponsors (Bantam B & C).
2. Raffle
 - > TV at cost for top prize (\$800 for 50 inch)
 - > 2 Round Trip air tickets on Delta non-black-out dates
 - > Need 1-2 additional larger prizes
 - > Dan to work with Amy and Sherry to be sure all paperwork is filed and raffle held consistent with gaming rules
3. Iceman's Club

- > Dave J. working with Doug Voss to re-build
- > Doug V. reviewing and updating lists
- 4. Pancake Breakfast
 - > Team to confirm everything is in place
 - > Advertise if needed?
- 5. Pork Commercial
 - > Need date confirmed so we can print tickets for this and raffle
- 6. Kick-off dinner successful-\$681 gross revenue, Approximately \$350-\$400 total costs. Net revenue approximately \$281-\$331 net revenue

Annette Arndt made a motion to accept all committee reports. Colleen Rehman seconded. Approved

OLD BUSINESS

Locker Room 9—Received approval from the County to proceed. Fleet Farm or Lowe's cannot donate materials. Will check with Alexander Lumber about donating materials, but still plan on moving forward. Will Fish also suggested adding storage in coaches and officials rooms.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

Colleen Rehman made the motion to adjourn. Marc Weise seconded. Approved.

Next Meeting Date: December 16, 2009 at 6:30 at the Four Seasons