

MCYHA BOARD MEETING

Manitowoc County Ice Center

January 5, 2009

Attending: Mark Herzog, Shannon Nickels, Lowell Johnson, Missy Christensen, Cassy Braun, Theresa Smoter, Ken Deschene, Jennifer Rogler, Brian Kiley, Carmen Persaud, and Angie Morelle.

Guests: Jay Hetland (Coaching Committee), Randy Sohlden (Blue Line Club), Lori Deschene (Referee Task Force, Volunteer Committee, Tournament Coordination), and Terri Jacquardt.

Call to order: 7:00 p.m.

Association Grant: Our guest, Terri Jacquardt, recently applied for the Teammate Community Service Grant worth \$1000 through Shopko. She was chosen and presented the donation to the Board. She requested that the Board write a thank you letter to Shopko.

Approve minutes: A motion was made to approve December minutes as submitted, seconded and passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Player/Registration Status: Due to Janella Massey's season ending injury, Steve requested that rather than a pro-rated refund, he would like to have the sum applied to next season's registration fees. A motion was made to approve this request, seconded and passed unanimously.

Equipment Swap: Plans have been made to hold an equipment swap on Thursday, January 29th, from 5:30- 6:30 p.m. upstairs at the Ice Center. Approximately 3 to 4 volunteers will be needed on the night of the swap. Anyone can donate equipment, and anyone who needs equipment is welcome. You do not have to donate in order to receive equipment. All items are donated to those who need it. Old jerseys will be sold for practice jerseys. Equipment can be dropped off between 5:30 and 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 8, and Thursday, January 15. Approximately 1- 2 volunteers will be needed for drop off nights.

Newsletter schedule: There is a need for a regular schedule for the newsletter. The ideal time for it to be circulated would be about 1 week following the monthly Board meeting to have up to date information for members. Each committee will be responsible to relay current reportings to Steve Massey before the second Friday of each month.

MCYHA Website Utilization: We need to remember to use our website as a communication tool. Julie Spurney will be contacted to remind all team parents to keep their team pages updated. The website can be a great way to relay information to your team. Any information that a team parent wishes to add or change on the website, should contact Greg Carriere.

Volunteer hours: Mark would like an updated chart of volunteer hours for discussion at the February meeting to evaluate any potential shortages of hours.

Gambler night: Youth hockey night at the Gambler game is on January 24. Team parents need to know who wants tickets from their level, and need to report as soon as possible.

OLD BUSINESS

WIAA Application Status: In early December, a formal request was presented to the Manitowoc School Board. There were no comments made at this time, but it seemed to be received well.

Blue Line Club report: The BLC accepted the request made for financial assistance. Randy will need a written request to present to the BLC for financial assistance towards the renting of a charter for JV and Varsity to travel to Monroe, a four hour trip, for a game they need to play in order to be eligible for playdowns.

COMMITTEE AND TASK FORCE REPORTS

Programs/Marketing: The next session of basic skate begins January 8 and runs until the 29th. They are still looking for 2 or 3 more sponsors for the new skater sponsorship program. February 6, Stangel School is planning a winter festival at the Ice Center and would like to include a hockey oriented activity. Volunteers will be needed to help with this event. They will need to be informed that if sticks and pucks are to be used, helmets must be worn. Evaluation forms for coaches will be sent via e-mail and everyone will have 2 weeks to complete.

Fundraising: The second pizza sale started today, January 9 and will run for 2 weeks to hopefully improve sales from the first sale. Blade Bash is planned for Valentine's Day, February 14 at 6:30 p.m. There will be free admission, Karaoke, basket raffles, booze raffle, casino, prizes and more. Festival Foods will be supplying the brats and buns and Late's will make pulled pork.

Coaching: Jay Hetland and Mark Persaud will be attending basic skate. The Committee is considering the possibility of running an end of the season tryout for JV and Varsity for the upcoming season. Advantages would be avoiding conflicts with football, and the players would be in their prime form.

Finance: Lowell distributed the current P & L. Profits from the first pizza sale have not been deposited to date.

OPEN FORUM

Mark Herzog is going to organize a meeting for the nomination committee in January.

Angie is going to contact team schedulers to remind them that they need to report to ice centers and referees when there are cancellations.

Adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Next regular Board meeting; March 2, 2009 @ 7:00 p.m. @ MCIC.