

## **MCYHA BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

MANITOWOC COUNTY ICE CENTER

MAY 3, 2009

Attending; Mark Herzog, Missy Christensen, Carmen Persaud, Ken Deschene, Jennifer Rogler, Josh Heimerl, Angie Morrelle, and Cassy Braun.

Guests; Lori Deschene (Referee Task Force, Tournament Coordination, MCIC Liaison), and Kathy Palmer (MCIC rep.)

Call to order; 7:00 p.m.

Approval of minutes; A motion was made to approve April minutes as amended, seconded and passed unanimously.

### NEW BUSINESS

New members; Josh Heimerl, Nathan Abbey, and Catherine Livingston have been elected to serve on the MCYHA Board.

Insurance/Workers Compensation; We have accrued a penalty from the state because we did not file on time. Kathy Palmer spent a great deal of time taking care of this issue and dissolving the penalty. We need to stress the importance of retrieving mail regularly and getting things delivered to the appropriate person in a timely manner. Kathy is going to check into unemployment to find out whether this is something we need to keep paying, due to the fact that we no longer have paid employees during the summer.

Equipment inventory/website; Equipment in good condition has been inventoried and listed for sale on our website. We need to get this info out for the newsletter.

WAHA Region 3 meeting report; Jay Boxer is in charge of player development. Green Bay is hosting a Women's USA hockey National Tournament. There was discussion of the Mites playing cross-ice by 2011. We need to keep in mind the "Coach of the Month" program and be sure we are participating. The WAHA Annual meeting is in Wausau on May 16<sup>th</sup>, Mark will send out agenda for meeting and Cassy will forward the information to Greg for the website.

MCIC Board Rep/MCYHA Liaison; Lori asked the MCIC Board for flexibility during the tournaments by eliminating public skate/figure skating and requested a 30% discount on ice during the tournament weekends. We are looking at January 8 for the Bantam level, and November 13 for the Squirt level. We are able to have ice October 19<sup>th</sup>, and looking at February 13 for Blade Bash. MCIC would like us to purchase more summer ice. We need MCIC to rent the ice to MCYHA and we would take care of marketing it for them. Volunteer hours can be fulfilled by buffing the rink glass, something that could possibly be organized to take place during Christmas break. Lori checked into the possibility of running a 50/50 raffle or fundraiser during the EWSC stock car races and found it was not worth the time. Lori is going to check into having the concession stand open after HS level practice for the players, and if there is anything that we as an association could do to help make things run more smoothly. We need to find out if MCIC will allow MCYHA to make use of the skate sharpener? Both of

Jennifer Rogler's brothers could help train people to use the sharpener along with a lady from MC Sports.

#### OLD BUSINESS

WAHA Classification Committee recommendation; MCYHA has had it's classification changed from Division 3 to Division 4, which is based on numbers and really doesn't change who we play against with exception of play downs.

WIAA Transition/Communication status; There are currently 8 Varsity games and 3 JV games scheduled- scheduling is still in the works for the season. Cassy has some rules/regulations questions more specific to our Organization that she would like some answers for. Mark is going to contact Theresa about this. A meeting needs to be set up with John Johnston along with Cassy Braun, Lori Deschene, Theresa Smoter, and Dianne Mayer. We need to decide on one person to coordinate with John Johnston. Mark will contact Theresa to organize this meeting.

#### COMMITTEE, LIAISON, AND TASK FORCE REPORTS

Programs; Would like to offer summer hockey to all levels. A minimum of 10-12 is needed for each level. There is a plan to incorporate "Taste of Hockey" around summer hockey so potential players could see an actual practice in session. Basic skate will be learning to skate for about 2-3 weeks and advancing to skating with stick and puck by the end of the session. All other levels will include a 10 minute warm-up session with a 40 minute session to follow of playing hockey; full equipment, no score, no checking. Summer hockey session will run from June 22 through July 23 with "Taste of Hockey" taking place either June 22 or 24. The fees will depend on the number of skaters per level. Besides basic skate, the levels will be Mites/Squirts, PeeWee/Bantam, and HS. Lori is going to check with MCIC on how many volunteers are needed to put up boards and paint lines before summer hockey. Each level will require at least 10 skaters. The regular season will run from October 19 through March 11. Will try to organize a Goalie Clinic for Thursdays, to share ice with PeeWees for 6 weeks. Program rates will be figured out by June meeting. Budget can be completed by July meeting.

Fundraising; Need to work on projected dates for fundraisers.

Coaching; Overall good year reported from coaches. Deciding on providing a debit card for chair members to cover up front expenses. There is much excitement about WIAA. We should look at having MC Sports as a website sponsor. The coaching committee will consist of Head Coaches from each level, and they are looking for a committee chair who is not a coach.

#### OPEN FORUM

There is a need to come up with a Board Member Handbook, listing details of each Committee/Chair member positions/responsibilities.

Adjourned @ 9:10 p.m.

Next regular Board meeting is scheduled for July 6, 2009 @ 7:00 p.m. @ MCIC.