

## MCYHA BOARD MEETING

October 6, 2008

Attending: Mark Herzog, Missy Christensen, Cassy Braun, Shannon Nickels, Theresa Smoter, Lowell Johnson, Mark Jaeger, Jennifer Rogler, and Brian Kiley.

Guest: Jay Hetland(Coaching Committee)

Call to order: 7:00 p.m.

Approve minutes: September minutes have been approved as amended.

### NEW BUSINESS

Registration status- all levels: As of this date we have 70 total players registered. Any players that wish to join once the season begins have to be registered with USA Hockey before December 31. Numbers are low for Girls level and Peewee level. We need to have at least 9 players to have a team. A motion was made to make a final attempt at contacting players for the Girls, it was seconded and passed unanimously, that decisions on whether or not players will be returning has to be made by Thursday, October 9 at 5:00 p.m.. On that date, the decision will be made whether we will have a Girls' team. Jay is going to ask Mike White to contact the Girls' players. Shannon is going to contact Marianne Robinson to find out more information on playing down at Bantam and Peewee levels, so we know all of our options in making a Peewee team. A motion was made to make the first Peewee practice combined with the Squirts to evaluate players to possibly play up from Squirt level to Peewee level, unless we have 9 players by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 9, it was seconded and passed unanimously.

High School Coach Recruitment: There have not been any recruitments thus far. Bill Hagenow has offered to cover coaching games when Craig Everson is unable to attend. They are still looking for helpers for the basic skate/basic hockey program. Coaches have been asked to write up short bios on themselves for the website and possibly for display in the lobby. A motion was made to approve the coaches list submitted by Jay Hetland, was seconded and passed unanimously.

### OLD BUSINESS

WIAA Status: The WIAA Task Force has set up two meetings for discussion thus far. They put some information out to potential schools to be involved in the co-op. John Johnson, the athletic director from Lincoln, has brought up hockey to the School Board, with a lack of interest in becoming involved due to "high costs". The task force needs to come up with a proposal to present ourselves more accurately.

MCYHA/ Blue Line Club Liason report: Theresa spoke with Carmen Pankratz, the president of the Blue Line Club, and they both agreed a liason between MCYHA and the Blue line Club would be a good idea.

Skate sharpening program: Jennifer's brothers have agreed to help train people to operate the sharpener. One of our new coaches has their own sharpening machine, and may be willing to sharpen skates or help with training. Jay is going to contact the rink manager to find out what is currently being done for sharpening skates.

### COMMITTEE & TASK FORCE REPORTS

Programs: They are continuing to call players from last year that have yet to register for this season. There will be another "Taste of Hockey" it is set for Sunday, October 19, from 1-2:00 p.m., open skate will follow. They are looking for families to help out with this activity. They still have lawn signs available to anyone interested in showing their support. There is a commercial currently running advertising hockey. New skaters have received their family packets, and they are trying to develop a welcome letter for registered families, although time is an issue. There are 13 kids registered for basic skate/basic hockey and they are expecting 25, some families register the first night.

Fundraising: A motion was made to decline participating in the Football Frenzy fundraiser this year, seconded and passed unanimously.

Financial: The taxes are done for this year. A motion was made that any budgeted expenditure does not need to come back to the Board for approval, it was seconded and passed unanimously.

#### OPEN FORUM

A motion was made to waive the skater's fee, in full, to the child of the Girls' head coach instead of receiving compensation for the position, it was seconded and passed unanimously.

A motion was made to waive the skater's fee, in full, to the child of the Varsity's head coach instead of receiving compensation for the position, it was seconded and passed unanimously.

The next regular Board meeting is scheduled for November 3 @ 7:00 p.m. @ MCIC.

Adjourned at 8:53 p.m.