

# MCYHA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

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**December 7, 2009**

Manitowoc County Ice Center

Call to order: 7:00 p.m.

Attending: Carmen Persaud, Angie Morrelle, Missy Christensen, Theresa Smoter, Josh Heimerl, Brian Kiley, Nathan Abbey, and Catherine Livingston.

Guests: Lori Deschene(Tournament Coordinator, MCIC Liaison, Referee Task Force), and Carmen Pankratz(Blue Line Club Liaison).

Approval of November minutes: A motion was made to approve November minutes as submitted, was seconded and passed unanimously.

## NEW BUSINESS

Discounted open ice procedure: One of the rules to purchasing available ice at a discounted price was that there could not be more than 8 skaters on the ice at one time. This rule was found to be a problem for hockey teams wanting to purchase the ice for extra ice time, and so the rule will now be changed and left open without a limit.

Referee payment process: Payments for refs need to be separated between WIAA and WAHA because WIAA needs to go through the school for payment. Brian will need to contact Kim from MCIC to have this taken care of. We need to arrange billing to refs to better expedite this process. E-bills can be sent to Angie, and Angie can forward these to Brian.

\*\*\*Again, we need to stress the importance of all transactions/reimbursements be taken up with Brian, or whomever the MCYHA treasurer is for the season. We need to notify Mike Steimle that he should refuse any transactions, unless it is through Brian Kiley, or the current treasurer. Lori will ask Greg to add to website the proper way of handling procedures.  
Website updating: Greg is reminding everyone that he can post any information to our website. The website can be a very useful tool for up to date schedule changes, etc.

WAHA regional meeting report: The teams representing Manitowoc in the state tournament are the Squirts and Bantams. The Wheel Development Program was discussed, and would allow any players in the district to join a developmental practice before the season starts involving all 6 regions. A possible site for the program would be Cornerstone. Retention surveys are being sent out by USA Hockey; MaryAnn Robinson will be sending an e-mail of Manitowoc's Hockey Program retention from 1997-2009 to Mark Herzog. Birth Certificate Forms will be used instead of holding onto originals or copies of originals. These forms will be required within the next year and will be available on the WAHA website.

Dual rostering players practicing up: The Board's recommendation is for dual rostering players, specifically at mite level, need to practice with both teams they will be playing. This is the current practice at all other levels where the dual rostering already exists.

\*\*\*There is emphasis to have Coaching Committee organize skills that should be learned at each level. We need to have all coaches on task with teaching these skills.

## OLD BUSINESS

MCIC: Lori's term has expired with MCIC, and she has no interest in renewing her term. We will need to find someone to take the place of MCIC liaison to report to MCYHA Board on a regular basis.

## STANDING REPORTS

MCYHA Board task line: By December 31, finalized rosters need to be sent to USA Hockey, along with fee. They need it sent on 2 disks, and 4 hard C copies. We need to give Julie Spurney notice of this task.

Programs/Marketing Committee: Looking for new skater sponsors. Thursday at 5:00, ½ sheet of ice is available during Basic Skate. Pictures will be in next week.

Blue Line Club report: Programs have been completed. Alumni game is set for Saturday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>, going to Tony's Pizza afterwards for food/drinks. A few changes have been made to HS game schedule. Inserts will be made to add to program booklet.

Fundraising: Planning for Blade Bash is underway. Looking for raffle items/casino table sponsors. Blade Bash will be held on March 27<sup>th</sup> at the Holiday Inn. The theme will be Casino Night with "Boo the Band" performing. Pizza sale has ended, pick up will be on Wednesday. Carmen will send out e-mail reminder.

Tournament: Bantam tournament was cancelled, not able to fill slots.

Finance: Hockey budget worksheet was distributed.

Coaching: Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday.

## OPEN FORUM

Sheboygan Lakers Association is looking to co-op with Manitowoc next year to form a WIAA Girls team. They would need to contact the HS Athletic Director.

A motion was made to separate the Programs/Marketing Committee, was seconded and passed unanimously. The request is due to the amount of work required for one person.

Need to look at policy whether raffle/admissions can be counted as team or fundraising hours.

Adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Next regular Board meeting is scheduled for January 4, 2010 @ 7:00 p.m. @ MCIC.