

Attendnce: Jeff Barfield, Bronwyn Baldwin, Tim Olander, Andy Fickett, Paul Hammer, Paul Myers, Dave Armstrong, Kylie Cagle, Joe Garvey, Julie Broderick, Kim Anderson, Tony Marcin, and Doug Carlson

President News:

- A. Transfer Request: Nicholas Tigges lives in Dubuque and wants a pass through to Middleton. Unanimous vote to allow the transfer "pass through" request.
- B. Teams: All teams have been decided except Bantam which is October 28 and 29. Cross Ice will be decided after the last try hockey for free day.
- C. Parents Night Out Fundraiser: November 21 will be the Death's Door fundraiser. A few parents will receive DIBS credits for planning the event. It has been a fun event and we hope to have a good turn out again this year. The event is open to the public if Polar Cap families want to invite friends outside the club.
- D. Capitols Polar Cap night. It will be Nov. 1st and the RWB will play between periods. There was frustration from last Capitols games where our skaters participated between periods. They had to pay for tickets and it was believed the skaters should not have to pay for a ticket. Someone from the Capitols was contacted and it was stated the "skaters" should not have had to pay for a ticket if they are skating.
- E. USA Hockey Try Hockey for Free day is Nov. 8th. Due to many Saturday morning conflicts ie. soccer and football, it was suggested by a board member to reduce these events from 3 days down to 2 next year.

Coaching Committee Update:

- A. Doug said we have enough coaches for all levels to date. Some are lacking experience in coaching but overall Doug is pleased with the volunteers.

ALD and Board Updates:

- A. Kim(recruiting)- things are going well. See above for the try hockey for free suggestion
- B. Sara(initiation) we have about 45 skaters and it is going well.
- C. Kylie(cross ice)new to the role, she is moving quickly to answer parents questions.
- D. Andy(rwb) due the number of skaters, this is a challenging role. Andy is doing his best to answer questions and refer parents to the correct people. Last year parents were not receptive to having games on the Studio rink. It is felt among some of the Board and visiting teams (via comments made at the game to our parents) that it is a better game experience because they are only playing one team and there are many more puck touches. It would be great if parents were more open to this option as ice time gets tighter.
- E. Bronwyn/Doug(U10&U14) There will be 2 U10 teams. Some of the kids will double skate or they may pull from RWB if needed when one of the teams may be running low on players.
- F. Tim(squirts) The lack of coaches has been resolved so all is well.
- G. Paul(peewee) There were 3 non-parent evaluators and Jeff felt that was a great thing to have in a try out.
- H. Paul(bantam) Tryouts are this week followed quickly by selection.

- I. Tony(equipment) Tony said the help at try hockey days were great and things went well. He would prefer in the future kids bring bike helmets instead of trying to fit them for a helmet. It was too time consuming to get a good fit and we will not compromise that fit to move things along so if they could just provide their helmets it will help alot. After Nov 8th the equipment needs to be removed from the Regents locker room and put back in the tiny equipment closet.
- J. Dave(website) Dave would like everyone to get their rosters to him as soon as possible. He said the team reps could put their game schedules into the website. Dave is also finding the special events all want maximum exposure on the website. He is doing his best to keep the events that are closest to the current date near the top. Tim suggested he look to see if there is a rolling tab that people could page through at the top of the website. Dave will look to see if that is a possibility.

Additional Comments and Discussion:

- A. Joe suggested we cut back in some of the ice time we use in October. Kyle noted that each season plenty of ice is available in November but by February it is hard to find. Thursday Nov 6th is the ice trade meeting. We have sold back one sheet of ice as of now.
- B. Laura Humphrey will address our registration with USA Hockey. It is suggested team reps take pictures of these documents and keep them on their cell phone.
- C. Our Learn to Skate program has a new leader. Her name is Emily and she is open to suggestions on what we as a club would like to see done in the power skating classes. She is also willing to come to practices and work on specific improvements coaches want for their team skaters if the team is willing to pay for that time.