West Madison Polar Caps Board Meeting Approved Minutes

Date: August 30, 2011 @ 7:00 PM @ Vitense

Attendees:

[x]	Amy Mosher Garvey, President	[x]	Rich Smith, ACE Coordinator	[x]	Zach Lanham, Pee Wee ALD
[x]	Lisa Cutting, VP Fundraising	[x]	Mike Huie, U10/U14	[x]	Mark Rufenacht, Bantam/Midget ALD
[x]	Sabrina Frey, Treasurer	[x]	Mark Dingle, Competitive Coach	[x]	Paul Hammer, In-House Coach
[x]	Dawn Pliner, Secretary	[x]	Ilsa Barnard, Initiation ALD	0	Laura Humphrey, X-Ice ALD
[x]	Jeff Barfield, Recruiting	[x]	Jenny Rilling, Cross Ice ALD	[x]	Stefanie Statz, Tournament Director
[x]	Kyle Friedow, Ice Scheduler	0	Laura Humphrey, U8 ALD	[x]	Stefanie Statz, Region 4 Rep
[x]	Jeff Barfield, Equip. manager	[x]	Jamie Vander Meer, Squirt ALD	[x]	Jeff Mack, Webmaster

- 1. Call to Order 7:00 p.m.
- 2. Welcome
- 3. Reading and disposal of unapproved minutes: President Amy Mosher-Garvey. A motion was made to approve the minutes and was seconded; motion passed.
- 4. New Business / President's Report (Amy): Amy thought that the picnic/clean up went well. Some were disappointed that they were unable to actually register the day of the picnic. Two play downs were approved for skaters.
- 5. Director of Operations Report (Sabrina): Treasurer's report handed out budget for review. Jeff Mack has been working really hard on the website and will go through any needed instructions following the meeting. Kyle has pre-season and try out ice taken care of and will get it loaded onto the website. Four Squirt teams and three Pee Wee teams were budgeted for. There may be four Pee Wee teams instead of three. The in-house and RWB teams need to be determined so that schedules can be determined. Registration deadline has passed for competitive teams (Squirts/PeeWees). Initiation and in-house, etc. would still be able to register as well as Bantams. October 10th would be the deadline for the R, W & B teams. Fall Frolic is on October 8th and on the 10th all of the in-house programs start. On November 5th we will be having a "try hockey for free" day with goodie bags to distribute. Al Sharpe is in attendance tonight with interest in helping with event preparation and so forth and may be interested in recruiting. Additional discussion ensued regarding the number of teams and the number of skaters on the ice per practice & games. Registration has ended as of this evening for Squirts and PeeWees. Stefanie reported regarding a request for the number of teams with Region 4 and with regard to Bantam level; they will be tagging up.
- 6. Director of Development Report (Lisa): Jeff has posters done that will go out about skating with PC. Stefanie is working on tournaments. After the merchant cards, the goal for each family is to raise \$70. They would have a choice of doing the fundraising or write a check as a tax-deductible donation. Wreaths will be sold in October and November; Savory Sweets will be sold in November to come in December. In January & February, Emil's pizzas will be sold. We will also be selling 3x6 add banners for corporate sponsors. The cost is \$600 the first year and \$500 each year afterward. We will be doing meals at the pancake house and Buffalo Wild Wings as well as a night at Noodles & Co. There is the clothing sale with deadlines for holiday delivery. We can also work at the Culver's Classic if there is interest.
- 7. Vice-President Coaching Report (Rich): Tryouts are set with the RWB evaluations to be determined. We need to make sure coaches are registered and have the appropriate certification. There will need to be discussion about background checks for those who were not part of that last year. Those from last year are covered for three years. Coaches should be registering through the website. Paul has in-house and Mark has the competitive coaching information. As the registration is closed for Squirts and PeeWees, the ALD's will need to get together to put the skaters into groups for tryouts.

- 8. ALD Coordinator (Ilsa): Ilsa spoke about the binders for the ALD's. Amy checked with team reps and ALD's to make sure they all know what they need to be doing to get everything ready for tryouts. Tryouts are done on Thursday, October 6th. Mark R. proposed having the meeting Friday evening, the 7th, in order to make team placement decisions. The meeting will be from 6-8 p.m. at MIA. Jeff M. brought up the idea of projects for the teams so that each team would have a project for ongoing maintenance which would also help with team building. Amy suggested a compromise with enforcing rules such as keeping the locker rooms in good condition (i.e. the last team on Friday night should vacuum the locker room prior to the games on Sunday). That way the teams have "ownership" of the space but MII as a business should also be handling some of these items. Additional discussion ensued regarding various possibilities including vacuuming on Friday before the Saturday games. There was also additional conversation re: inhouse. There appears to be an issue regarding the information the board has regarding the age of the inhouse skaters and the cut offs for their ages. Some families are concerned about the changes in commitment level when moving from Initiation to RWB. The position of the board is to stand by the ages of the skaters. Some have also been concerned about the issue of skill level versus age level and additional conversation and a straw poll took place regarding the ages of the players and their level.
- 9. Club Announcements: Jeff Mack will be putting the ice schedule on the website for preseason ice.
- 10. Adjournment: Jeff Barfield motioned to adjourn and Jenny seconded.