



## Tomah Youth Hockey Board Meeting

Location: Pizones

When: 08/06/2023

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Members present: Tommy Sayer, Derek Nofsinger, Nate Niceswanger, Luke Haun, Ryan Winchel, Jay Greeno, Andy Steele, Justin King, Gina Noth, Brian Dettle, Kenny Helgersen, Beau Oliver, and Todd Chapman

### **STANDARD AGENDA ITEMS**

1. Review/Approve Minutes from previous meeting- Greeno 1<sup>st</sup>, Dettle 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor-approved.
2. Treasurer's Report- Report sent via email by King. Nofsinger 1<sup>st</sup>, Greeno 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor-approved. Utility billed to be monitored due to last month's charge with no ice in. Sayer to discuss invoicing with Chamber.
3. Facilities- Board set up this Wednesday 8/09 at 5PM. Initial ice going in 8/14. Ice painting 8/15. Floor mats to be picked up or delivered by Athletica. Codes on doors to be changed when ice goes in by Oliver.
4. WAHA & Director of Hockey- Nothing to report.
5. Equipment- Equipment needed for Blue Devil development camp will be offered 09/06 at 4:30. New set of squirt goalie equipment to be purchased. Pricing will be researched by Haun.
6. Concessions- Nothing to report.
7. Fundraising- Did not receive mite equipment grant or Brianna Decker grant. Received \$5000 from Andres Fund. Greeno to submit Grassroots application and Chapman to submit Jeff Sauer application when available.
8. Tournaments- Submitted to WAHA. Sayer to get registration up and running soon.
9. Scheduler- WEHL, Blue Devils, and 7 Rivers Figure Skating booking time for this fall. Optional practices for youth teams will be discussed and scheduled at next meeting.
10. Historical- Banners ordered and designs look good. Ideally these will be placed prior to ice going in. Dettle to reach out to high school if players unable to furnish photos for wall.
11. Long range Planning / Recruitment- July 4<sup>th</sup> parade, downtown Thursday, and NNO events were a success. Try hockey for free flyer will be updated and distributed when school starts.
12. TNT/Girls Program- Meeting to take place 8/07 with Sparta and Black River Falls. Need to discuss/plan for 3 on 3 tournament without the Steele's leadership. Chapman to inquire about any High School girls updates from Tomah AD.
13. Titans Co-op- Meeting took place and next meeting 9/26. Sparta's ice going in the end of September.
14. Junior Team- Information given about dasher board advertising. Lights and electrical work to be completed. Billet family sign up is going well but could use more. Proposals for sponsorships will be going out soon. Woodsman schedule is out and concession worker schedule sign up will be coming out. High school team schedule will be announced and

concession workers schedule for Woodsmen will need to be set up. Players to report on 8/27 with first ice time scheduled for 8/31.

15. Rink Expansion- Committee met to try to find areas to reduce costs. Items included, finishing storage/dryland areas, HVAC system, duplications in scope, curb and painting of parking lot. Greeno and Sayer met with City of Tomah and Keller to discuss. Bidding for project will occur this fall with due date of 11/07 scheduled. Ben Spence will begin conversion of yellow building this week for Woodsmen facilities. Todd Kirschbaum to help in building wall.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. WAHA Annual Meeting Report: Sayer went to meeting and highlights brought back to board.
  - a. Culture Educational Liaison needs to be appointed to be local point of contact with WAHA. Discussion ensued about position and board's commitment to continuing our current practice with regards to culture and behavior. Motion made by Helgerson for Dettle to be appointed to position. Greeno 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor- approved.
  - b. Board members must all be registered with USA Hockey, Safe Sport approved, and background checks completed.
  - c. Locker room policy- Directed by WAHA and must be followed. Will look at policy template and change/approve at upcoming meeting.
  - d. No play downs will be entertained by WAHA.
  - e. Concussions: It is the coaches responsibility to report and if any questions on how to report, they can direct them to Winchel.
  - f. Safe sport violations- must be reported within 24 hours of event.
2. Registration Update: 40 players registered so far. Will continue to push for early registration.
3. Coaching Application Update: 12 applications received to date not including Sparta. Noth to make form electronic PDF to make easier to complete.
4. Work Hours Invoice Update: Sent out. Options will be offered to still complete at golf outing and/or rink set up. Further discussion about prepayment at upcoming board meeting.
5. Fall Blue Devil Development Camp Discussion & Set Equipment Handout Date: Equipment dates discussed above. Rates will remain consistent with other rentals.
6. Review Fall Ice Usage Review & Discuss Work Schedules: WEHL has reserved time. Will need rink opening and Zamboni drivers. Teams have Tomah players so will need volunteer schedule for these tasks.
7. Apparel provider for 2023-24 season: Motion made to go with Meca Sportswear this year by Greeno, Haun 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor- approved.
8. Release Request- Release request for R.S. discussed and motion made to allow release request by Winchel, Greeno 2<sup>nd</sup>. Those in favor- Niceswanger, Nofsinger, Steele, Noth, Oliver, Dettle, King, Helgerson, and Chapman. Those opposed- Haun. Motion approved.
  - a. Motion made by Greeno that no ice will be used/rented by family requesting release unless approved by board. Nofsinger 2<sup>nd</sup>. Those in favor- Niceswanger, Steele, Noth, Oliver, King, Helgerson, and Chapman. Those opposed- Dettle. Those abstaining- Haun. Motion approved.
9. 7RFS Request: Organization would like to place a shadow box with schedule and events listed. Shadow box may be placed with facilities approval on wall near locker room A. Organization will also plan to be available to help paint ice on 8/15.
10. THS Request: Request from Tomah High School for \$250 to help fund cost of wrapping gymnasium doors at High School. Motion made to approve funding by Helgerson,

Greeno 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor- approved.

11. Scholarship Discussion: No discussion at this time.

12. Any other business properly brought forth: No new business brought forward.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Goalies Inc. Program- Niceswanger will meet and discuss start dates and schedule. Potential start date in November
2. Golf Outing Planning- Currently 25 teams signed up. Hole sponsors continue to be contacted and payments being received. Motion made by Nofsinger not to exceed \$700 for auction items. Niceswanger 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor-approved. Motion made by Helgersen not to exceed \$700 for jersey purchase. Greeno 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor-approved.
3. Wall of Remembrance discussion- Currently 8 people to be dedicated. Board will reach out to family members for picture and verbiage for plaque. This will be due by 11/01 to ensure they are completed for upcoming season. Names include Ardyce Hanson, Bob Hammer, Jeff Martalock, Denny Greeno, Steve Doll, Mike Roush, Gary Ewers, and Andy Ritter.

Meeting adjournment: Motion made to adjourn. Greeno 1<sup>st</sup>, Dettle 2<sup>nd</sup>. all in favor-approved.

Next Meeting: Sept 10<sup>th</sup>, 6PM Pizones