



Tomah Youth Hockey Board Meeting

Location: Pizones

When: 12/10/2023

Time: 6:00 p.m.

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

STANDARD AGENDA ITEMS

1. Review/Approve Minutes from previous meeting- Greeno 1st, Nofsinger 2nd, all in favor- approved. A text vote took place authorizing the high school team to hold games 02/03 at Tomah Ice Center.
2. Treasurer's Report- Report sent via email by King. Greeno 1st, Haun 2nd, all in favor- approved.
3. Facilities- Potential for BRF to borrow our 2nd Zamboni d/t issues with theirs. If needed they are responsible for machine and all liability of its use and transportation. Dehumidification drying wheel should arrive soon. Installation will be scheduled upon receipt.
4. WAHA & Director of Hockey- Nothing to report.
5. Equipment- Nothing to report
6. Concessions- Light bulb replaced in popcorn machine. Winchel to order a couple backups. Squirt tourney this weekend was successful.
7. Fundraising- Currently 39 people signed up for Woodsman bus. Depending on final numbers, bus size may change. Meca apparel fundraiser was a success.
8. Tournaments- Squirt tournament went well this weekend. Remaining tournaments are full besides bantam needing 1 more team. Girls 3 on 3 tournament scheduled for 03/22.
9. Scheduler- High School request to move 01/13 game to 01/23. If approved by THS, HS coach will need to communicate change with 7RFS and workers for game will need to be provided by HS team/Blue Line Club. Noth to request schedule from Woodsman for the rest of December so ice maintenance can be done.
10. Historical- Plaque submissions have been given/sent to Greg Zingler. One family is still looking for a picture for submission.
11. Long range Planning / Recruitment- Nothing to report.
12. TNT/Girls Program- 10U/12U will have a tiered (Gold, Silver, Bronze) state tournament this year. 14U team is set for the season. Tomah is home community of the team with WAHA approval.
13. Titans Co-op- Niceswanger to reach out for a co-op meeting.
14. Junior Team- Woodsman representatives will look into players not fulfilling duties at HS game. Nofsinger to reach out to coaches to see how practices with players present are going. Advertising signage and payment will be discussed with team.
15. Rink Expansion- See new business.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Blue Line Club Updates: Per previous discussion with Blue Line Club, they will provide a worker for scoreboard for all games. Sayer will contact them to discuss and remind them of previous agreement and continuation of support from TYH.
 - a. Request to provide Beverages at HS games
 - b. Assistance with Scorebox duties
2. Review number of games scheduled per team: Motion made by Winchel to exceed 10U game max and increase to 40 games from current 35 game maximum. Greeno 2nd, all in favor- approved.
3. Cross Ice Tournament Discussion: Helgerson received invitation for Eau Claire tournament. Opportunity was given to all Tomah cross ice player and 24 players have shown interest. Motion made to allow participation for this year's team to play in a paid tournament by Greeno. Niceswanger 2nd, all in favor- approved.
4. Goalies Inc/Goalies Practice Discussion: Ash Peterson presented an opportunity for 3 sessions for goalies instructed by former Goalies Inc. coach to be held for current enrollees for \$175 per session. Motion made Greeno for TYH approval and payment. Dettle 2nd, all in favor- approved.
5. WAHA Deadline for Final Rosters: 12/31 is date for final rosters. Link has been sent to coaches and coaches should review to make sure they are accurate.
6. Team Pictures Discussion: Dates will be looked at to coordinate Titans, TNT, and LTPH/Cross Ice pictures with Angie Plueger.
7. Review Work Hour Allocation for Coaches/Team Reps: Discussion/clarification of work hours granted for coaching/rep staff. It was in agreement that head coaches receive 20 hours and can allocate hours to other coaches. Assistant coaches receive 10 hours. Team reps receive 10 hours. LTPH on ice helpers receive 5 hours. Those receiving hours should be communicated to Sayer for documentation purposes.
8. Update on Girls HS Committee: The group met and discussed numbers of potential players between Tomah, Sparta, and Black River Falls for the next 5+ years and also potential options moving forward to bring girls HS hockey to Tomah. Next step is to schedule meeting with Tomah AD to discuss options including 1) Equal split with current co-op, 2) Co-op with other surrounding programs, 3) Start independent U19 program.
9. Rink Expansion Update/Fundraising Efforts: Greeno sent email explaining project approval and current status. TYH board needs to decide by 01/08 if we can fundraise for remaining areas not approved by City of Tomah. A proposal has been drafted seeking sponsors/donations and a request was made for ideas/potential donors to be sent to Greeno.
10. Any Other Business Properly Brought Forth:
 - a. 7 Rivers Figure Skating has offered free tickets to their show for board members and their immediate family members. Contact Sayer if desired.
 - b. Upcoming Girls hockey game in Tomah and work shifts have been covered.
 - c. Open skate this upcoming weekend needs board member to open and a Zamboni driver. Haun and King available to open. Haun or Winchel available to Zamboni.
 - d. Email sent regarding a player requesting a release from program. Player's guardian invited to attend meeting tonight but was not present. Motion made by Haun to deny release due to not following proper channels of having discussion/meeting with coach coordinator nor discussing release at board meeting. Niceswanger 2nd, all in favor- approved.
 - e. Discussion about increasing price of skate sharpening for non-TYH members.

Further discussion will take place at a later date.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Wall of Remembrance: See above Historical

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

Next Meeting: January 7th, 6PM Pizones