

Ely Blue Line Club June Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, June 3rd, 2026, 5pm, Grand Ely Lodge

MEETING CALL TO ORDER: 5:05pm

ROLL CALL: Jackie B, April B, Tara S, Allie P, Scott K, Sam B, Mataya U, Danielle N, Aaron N, Jeremy P, Sandy K, Jake M

AGENDA ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS:

APPROVAL OF APRIL AND MAY MEETING MINUTES: April- Annual meeting minutes motion made by Sam, second by Scott- no opposition. May meeting minutes motion made by Sam, second by Tara, no opposition.

APPROVAL OF MAY AND JUNE FINANCIAL REPORT: Scott- going through the cost differences between current year and last year, currently about \$5k under- partially from paying out for tournaments for next season. Creating a budget committee- Mary, Rachael, Allie, Jackie B & Tara will form to create a budget. Motion to approve May financial report motion Jackie B, second Tara- no opposition. June financial report motion by Jackie B, second by Jeremy P.

TREASURER'S REPORT: next month or end of this month we should receive an update on the CD and decide if we want to keep invested. We will have to switch, remove Joseph and add Rachael as new president. Secretary of State paperwork was completed. Tax season is coming up shortly to start working on. Any reimbursements please submit by the end of June for the end of fiscal year.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Joseph not here, he's at district meeting, nothing to report.

COACHES REPORT: Kevin not at meeting- Kevin has been chatting with potential coaches, has a potential non-parent coach for Bantams, we do

not currently have a stipend for non-parent coach, want to look at if we create a stipend at possibly \$100/week (totals up to less than \$2k for season) or put up to \$2k. Motion to offer stipend for non-parent head coach totalling not more than \$2k for season- motion made by Sam, second by Jeremy, no opposition.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

CROSSBAR: Sandy- still in process of building a website. Sandy and Mary had an initial meeting for Crossbar, once groundwork is done, will send an email to invite to train on their role for the website. Sponsorships on the website will rotate with a link to their website.

VOTE IN NEW COORDINATORS:

Coaching Coordinator: Kevin Niskala
Volunteer Coordinator: Andrea Gornick
Arena Scheduler: April Basarich
Concessions: Jackie Ridings
Tournament Coordinator: Allie Pace
Assistant Tournament/Jerseys/Socks: table position
Fundraising Coordinator: Leena Mickle
Registrar: Jackie Bush
Website: Mary Freidmeyer
Referee: Ryan Bush
Sponsorship: Tara Shock
Equipment: Andrea/Cade Gornick
Safe Sport: table position
Apparel: Amy Kromer
Grant Writer: table position

Motion made by Jeremy, second by Sam- no opposition

Nikki Engen was initially voted in as Volunteer Coordinator, but declined position, after clarification, that was the position she didn't want. Position was then offered to Andrea Gornick

PMD & JULY 4TH PARADES: Peter Mitchell Days (PMD) parade is Sunday, June 21 2pm. Jackie B will order foam pucks and stickers and

candy, and will give excess to Danielle for the July 4th parade. Mataya is interested, possibly Scott & family, for PMD.

July 4th parade- Tara, speaking with families who have had multiple family members or - 5 trucks for 5 decades of hockey with a big trailer behind for the parade. Will assemble a rink for the big trailer, can start to assemble a couple days prior to the 4th. Udovich, Niskala, Olsen & Urbas families and other families with multiple generations of hockey players. Calling all alumni to help with their decade of hockey for their decade truck. Motion to approve \$750 for July 4th and \$300 for parade costs- motion by Scott, second by Tara, no opposition.

NEW BUSINESS:

BABBITT ARENA: Jake Myers- on the Babbitt Rec committee, Babbitt is receiving \$1.2 Million for a new cooling system at the arena. Babbitt is trying to come up with adding tournaments or something to add, especially for hockey. Would Ely be interested in having at least one game per level hosted in Babbitt? BFSC takes a lot of ice time after school. The schedule for next year will be different with both Babbitt and Ely having four day school days. If Ely Blue Line could approach the Rec Dept sooner than later with wants/needs of ice and scheduling. Hoping to commit to one game per level per season and ice availability for the upcoming season.

DISCUSS POSSIBILITY OF A STIPEND FOR NON-PARENT BANTAM COACH: discussed in Coaches report- approved stipend for non-parent bantam coach for up to \$2k for season (\$100/week).

COMPARISON OF INCOME/EXPENSES FOR LAST TWO SEASONS: discussed in Treasurer report

ANNUAL TASK CALENDAR- JUNE:

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULING: Bantams and Peewees and Mites have a couple scheduled, MM and Squirts still to schedule.

TEAM LEVELS DETERMINED- HOW MANY TEAMS PER LEVEL: Bantam through MM one team per level

REGISTRATION ANNOUNCEMENT: plan to start early bird registration in mid-August

APPAREL ORDER CREATED, INCLUDING JERSEYS: Tara will communicate with Amy to start apparel order, not exclusive to any one company. Jersey order this year needs to have the STOP sign on the back of the jersey. And possibly a 50th anniversary patch for this year's jersey. Mataya did not receive a jacket for coaching last year. Also brought up possibility of using a local business for some apparel, depending on what they can offer.

FUNDRAISING PLAN FOR UPCOMING SEASON: table for July- Leena not at meeting

RINK CONTRACT WITH ISD 696/CITY OF BABBITT: contract with Ely will start in Oct, hoping to remove goal judge and penalty box from HS games due to not enough volunteers.

VOTE IN MANAGERS/COORDINATORS FOR UPCOMING SEASON: completed list in unfinished business

UPDATE DISTRICT 12 WITH NEW BOARD MEMBERS: Tara thinks the district will reach out, or Joseph and Rachael will let them know at the district 12 meeting tonight.

REVIEW POSTED BLUE LINE POLICIES- ASSIGN UPDATES TO COORDINATORS AS NEEDED: table for July meeting

REFEREE RATES DETERMINED AND FORM UPDATED: table for July

ANNUAL TASK CALENDAR- JULY:

BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT PREPARATION FOR ELY/BABBITT/TOWER:

BEGIN PLANNING ARENA CLEAN UP DAY:
SEASON KICK OFF EVENT COMMITTEE SELECTED WITH
FUNDRAISING COORDINATOR:

CHANGE NAMES ON BANK ACCOUNTS TO CURRENT
EXECUTIVE BOARD:

BEGIN COACHING RECRUITMENT:

BEGIN REFEREE RECRUITMENT:

ARENA STAFF POSITIONS POSTED:

ARENA STAFF WAGES REVIEW:

CORRESPONDENCE:

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, July 7th 5pm, GEL

ADJOURN: 6:47pm