

Northfield Hockey Association
Meeting Minutes
November 20, 2018, 6:30 PM
1700 Cannon Boulevard, Northfield, MN 55057

Call to Order: 6:35 pm

Roll Call/Quorum

Members Present: Chris Kennelly; Dan Shimota; Teresa Sparks; Julie Kasel; Andy Beaham; Robb Kasel; Nicole Schmidt; Eric Frank; Cory Miller

Absent: Dawn Patterson; Jane Marnholtz; Brittney Laue; Chris Sorenson; Cory Miller; Angie Perez; Gina Fossum; Kyle Willkomm

Old Business: Minutes for October Meeting approved.

Board Updates:

President: Chris Kennelly

Registration – 213, get to 220? Discussed some up and down at various levels. Most significantly down at PeeWee level - down 7 PeeWee's. No complaints on registrations.

Civic Center did not pass. City mayor will talk with us about it. No one wants to sink money into the old arena if we don't have to. Needed 500 votes from Northfield to pass it. Close on Dundas.

Committee officer made it through placement and coaching. Somewhat refreshing where kids were placed. We had a good group on providing feedback. Still looking for a couple U6s to go to U8s and that sounds promising. PeeWee's close on numbers for the 2 teams. Squirts have ok numbers. 42 mites out so strong numbers there.

Mouth guards – fit them at home Shiek – Dawn will get them out by picture day.

Jerseys- Week or 2 out from getting jerseys. Use assoc ones for pictures if they don't come in. Others order July – Aug timeframe in the future in order to get them before the rush starts. 10s and Squirts will be the biggest impact. Same jersey just no name on the back.

Bantam Co-op - Faribault hours are not part of what our Northfield volunteers are needing to do. We knew up front that we needed to volunteer at the tournament in Faribault though.

Look at canceling December meeting now that we are up and running.

VP/Equipment Mgr/Girls Coordinator: Robb Kasal (Interim: Corey Butler & Jaime Paukert, Brittney Laue)

Jersey orders – sizes were late, access to equipment room complaints and with the arena giving access to anyone who asked for the key. Anyone who needs access can ask Corey or Jaime. Numbers left at U8s after the moves to U10 concerns. Cross ice games are a doable number if we get U8s up to 10 that is enough for that level.

Association jersey for one player who came on very late. Refund her the jersey fees.

Email to Jaime and Corey – 4 cases of pucks ordered. Can use for Mite jamboree. Refill some bags for Shattuck.

Treasurer: Nichole Schmidt

Bought equipment up front. Ice bills are in. Coach checks out going smooth. Some line items will be increased. Season coaches of 15K came in under that amount last year. Not concerned about lower numbers in. Billingson Bantams half/half and going smooth.

Secretary/Public Relations: Dawn Patterson (Interim: Teresa Sparks)

Registration Banner is returned.

Dawn has pictures scheduled – assume everyone will have access to the church and logistics are being handled.

Program Coordinator: Eric Frank

Tryouts went well. Information from VFW for Bantams so that they can reimburse us. Got jerseys in good time. Can get contact information to Robb. Order jerseys direct and billed them and shipped them through Jody. Turned out well. Looking good at all levels.

Close to parents at tryouts? Better to leave it open. Players got numbers with Bantam process and scoring of up to 300. Kids on bubbles for numbers get crunched together.

Registrar: Gina Fossum
Absent

Ice Chair: Kyle Willkomm (Interim: Jillian Werner)
Absent – Sent report

Sr mite jam 3/9, mini mite jam 3/10 followed by u8 jam, 3/10 therefore last day of NHA season

Practice schedule posted through Jan.

Does PWC want to keep practicing after their early end of season tourney or be done? Look at even ice time, development. No way an equal amount of practice to a-b will fit in before. They have game slots the two weeks after also but they are currently empty. So far they have only scheduled 8 home games.

Coach Coordinator: Cory Miller

Coaches are set – process with coaches this year

High school tryouts are done so can help with mini-mite practices.

Coach cert – level 1 and 2 that expires Dec 1st can stay at mini mites. Can recert a level 3 otherwise you have to go up. Can renew it 2 times and certs are 3 years.

Assistant to help for next enrollment?

Concessions: Angie Perez
Absent

Fundraising: Dan Shimota

Pizza fundraiser went well– denial on cash raffle asked make it mandatory that they have to purchase the tickets – 3 complaints board denied. Dan is writing a letter. Could take months. About a 50/50 chance. Should be able to get next year for sure.

Another pizza fundraiser in Jan. That should help. If no gambling license, will come up with something else to do. Do a Beer Bash possibly – Imminent. Will open on an off night. VFW?

Spring hockey mom wardrobe – could donate 20% back

Last year tried Love Your Melon hats and it didn't work out. Order lost and then they didn't get us money.

Mega goalie – anyone can attend. There is a goalie link. Goalie clinics are here and they are advancing it. Faribault goalies were offered those sessions.

Recruiting and Retention: Jane Marnholtz

Absent

Tournament Coordinator: Julie Kasal

PeeWee Tournament – went well, had 6 teams ,counted Waseca as our district game

Only 5 teams for girls, not sure where we had 6 before. Doing the same level as before. Was it too close to tryouts? Try February?

Squirts – have 7 teams and that is ok. Mar 1- 3 tournament.

Some teams are repeating teams this year. Try for IA, SD for more teams. Took 50% off and some can have it as their district game.

Julie will be gone for the next tournament. Plenty of player parents to help out.

Next year change up the dates?

Webmaster: Tim Jackson

Absent

Past President/Arena Committee: Chris Sorenson

Absent

D9 Representative: Andy Beaham

Preliminary look at numbers for District 9 to host own U12A next year.

Feeler out to host that for the next 2 years.

Should be sitting at 20 -21 at U12s next year.

Adjourn: 7:45pm

Next Meeting 1/15