

## Northfield Hockey Association

Minutes

September 17, 2012

6:30 PM

Northfield VFW

### 1. Call to Order 6:40

### 2. Roll Call/Quorum

**Present:** Chris Sorenson; Dean Kruger; Chad Olson; Jeremy Klotz; Jenifer Kluzak; Jessica Van Zuilen; Kari Scheurer; Mike Puppe; Chris Fink; Dawn DeBus

**Absent:** Christina Sinkler-Miller; Kevin Olson

### 3. Approval of August Minutes -- approved on vote seconded

### 4. Reports of Officers/Committees

President: Dean Kruger

- NHA received \$775 in additional funds for Mahacheck memorial, in addition to approximately \$100 received to date
- Jesse James Parade event was uniformly recognized as huge success. Board intends to continue event.
- *Pull Tabs* – all forms have been collected and reviewed by Mike Puppe and Chris Sorenson, all looks good in the applications. Carbone's Pizza is holding the spot for the NHA. Expense account will need to be established (negative expense calculation – sort of prepaid expense account in amount \$9,128.93, to cover only expenses relating to pull tabs – applications, licensing, buying pull tabs) will need to be established. Need to fill out applications and take class, and we need to fast track it. Annual fees will be tabulated, as well as total expenses for running the program. Board approves moving forward with getting application in place as soon as possible. Once application is approved, license issued, and final plan in place, final plan will be presented to the board for approval.
- *Manager Coordinator* – Jenny Dack has volunteered to be manager coordinator, and a resource through the year – huge thanks to Jenny for volunteering
- *Sweet Hands* – program will be continued through this year, will need to address improvements or alternative program next year
- *Budget* for U14 and Bantams submitted to VFW, \$5700 in funding requested
- *U14 Program* – many questions coming in about U14 program, including questions for other associations. There is some interest in some players from other programs joining.

- *Roster numbers* – numbers are trending low, which is concerning. Board would like to know whether an opportunity for improvement is available, and trying to learn why some players are not returning.
- *Proposal* – discussed whether NHA is willing to discount fees for new players to the association. Board is not willing to discount fees for new players.

Treasurer: Mike Puppe:

- projecting revenue from registration and calendar revenue will, assuming things go well, projection is expenses exceeding revenue by around \$20k. We will need, if projections come through, to focus on reducing expenses again, or increasing revenue somehow for next year.

Fundraising: Jennifer Kluzak/Jessica VanZuilen

- Jim Craig Event – will be pushing out promotion material quickly, everything is in place.
- Raffle Tickets – tickets all done, saved a great deal on printing
- Golf Update – May 16, 2013 is set for Golf tournament, at Northfield Golf Club, ideas being floated for involving more families, moving away from silent auction and perhaps doing a raffle format
- Fundraising Committees – hoping to form more as the year progresses, fundraising requires a lot of time and commitment from volunteers

Registrar: Christina Sinkler-Miller – no report

Vice President: Jeremy Klotz

- Jersey supplier did not come through on delivery obligations; we have found a new supplier, using different technology – no need for patches, longer lasting, and less expensive.

Concessions: Chad Olson

- Concession stand is going to be up and running soon
- Need a cleaning session, and so dibs will be offered for cleaning
- Concessions at Jim Craig event will be organized

Coach Coordinator: Chris Fink

- Coaches in place at all the levels, coach training being coordinated

Secretary: Chris Sorenson – no report

Program Coordinator: Dawn DeBus

- *Bergraff* concerns being raised, from operational perspective – should be worked out with coaching training
- *Goalie* coach questions coming in from parents – six goalie clinics planned, with St. Olaf goalies coming to some of the practices, focus this

year on training coaches, and assigning one coach for all goalies in program

Public Relations & Publications: Kari Scheurer

- *Handbook – need to finalize it, so any changes need to be finalized*
- *Discussion on implementing closed tryouts – parents not allowed to attend. Decision deferred to next year.*

Ice Chair: Kevin Olson – no report

**5. Old Business - none**

**6. New Business - none**

**7. Adjourn: 9:01**