

November Meeting Minutes - November 23, 2021

Called to order at 7:09pm

Present: Peder, Kelly, Jeff, Julie, Davi, Katie

Zoom: Chris, TJ

Not Present: Angelique, Alyssa

Guests: Ryan Strom and Lori Stone

Gambling Conversation

FINANCIAL REPORT- Dave Rust

Treasurer report:

- Budget:

- Got the final remaining budget (Development) last week and will work it in.
- I will miss the meeting to coach a BB1 game at the same time. I will bring a budget summary and resolution to approve to next month's meeting

- Monthly financials:

- Bill.com Set Up: CLA is working on getting Bill.com set up. This will allow us to avoid paper checks and provide better controls and reporting capabilities
- 10/31 Financial Statements: we'll have financials through Q3 at next meeting. Katie's computer was broken but she's now close on the remaining items CLA needs to get us to the new monthly process - Taxes: No update. CLA working on 2020/2021 990 return.

PRESIDENT REPORT- Peder Nestingen

- Update regarding board resolution concerning parent discipline matters.
- Dane started conducting weekly skill sessions with the bantam and peewee teams. 11/15 was the first week and these were very well received by all teams.
- Matt Funk and Brandon Ferraro presented at our second "Coach the Coaches" session, attended by about 30 coaches, and well received.
- 10UB1 moved to 10UA
- Preliminary discussions about hosting Holiday PEP camp.
- Lots of action around gambling. Lori Stone agreed to be our gambling manager. • Using development funds, the association will purchase two subscriptions to Hudl Assist -- a video and stats program -- for Bantam AA and peewee A team. This is a pilot program that we may extend to other teams next season.
- Tom Vannelli will step down as Player Development Director at the end of December and will likely be replaced by Dane Erickson.

BOYS REPORT- Chris Nei

No report

GIRLS REPORT: Jeff Hitchcock, Angelique McDonald, Julie Bustos

Girls Projects: We have been in contact with both CDH and the Riverterers regarding a youth mentorship program. They have both agreed! We will be (hopefully) offering our 8 and 10U girls a chance to skate with players of each of the program, a free game night to one of the high school games at both schools, and if possible, a chance to come out onto the ice during starting line up with the Varsity players during a game.

15U tryouts have concluded. 17 girls and 2 goalies were sent to the A team and 19 girls and 1 goalie were sent to the B team. The B team goalie turned out to be a 12U goalie they pulled up who was 11 years old. She also was already a goalie for the PeeWee C team and really enjoyed her team. She struggled greatly trying to play at the 15U level and suffered emotionally so she was FINALLY moved back to the PeeWee C team (which she never wanted to leave) following interventions. It was a truly sad situation for that goalie. This leaves us without a 15B goalie which Roseville has effectively blocked me out of. So it's on them to find a goalie. I suggested dropping the weaker A goalie down as there are no other 15U goalies to be found in the association and my suggestion was ignored.

Our 10UB1 team moved up to 10UA level after repeated double digit wins! This may result in loss of tournament registration fees as they had to drop out of their current tournaments and register for new tournaments.

Moving forward...! Following Thanksgiving, we would like to meet with Sibley about establishing a 15U team for the 2022-2023 season. We would like this team to be an A team. More to follow after the holiday...

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND INFORMATION

HOCKEY OPERATIONS- TJ Barnes

Skills, Coach the Coaches both successful, Huddle Assist - Live Barn or parent video (content) upload and they break down film/analytics (\$1400 per team) Bantam AA and PeeWee A.

GOALIES: Davi Axelson, Kelly Rand

1. We have had 4 goalie clinics so far. They have been well attended but the 9:15 p.m. session last night was a little light. Our Mites and 8U's have been able to attend our earlier sessions and get some good training.
2. Mike Tierney, our volunteer Mite Goalie coordinator, put together a try goalie event for our Mites and 8U's. 13 goalies were in attendance. It was a great event and Mike is doing a wonderful job promoting our younger goalies.
3. Mike also met with Andy Gunsallas, a Bantam B1 coach, who is also a goalie coach. Andy is going to attend two or three mini-mite sessions this year and create a station to work with kids on goalie movement drills.

ICE: Katie Murphy

Finally received the last round of game ice from D2 last week. After all of that was updated, I was able to finish the regular season schedule. We were left with a lot of unused weekend ice which I submitted back to Ramsey county requesting to drop it. Hopefully they will accommodate our request. I also returned ice to Drake that we did not need, they did accommodate that request.

D2 REPORT:

No report

EQUIPMENT- Katie and Peder

Jerseys and Socks were delivered to players that ordered. Socks were separated and distributed to all teams. Pure Hockey sent us both blue and white socks even though we asked for only blue this year. Mite jerseys have been an issue. Parents complaining they were too large. We ordered the same sizes that we had the past few years.

Mite socks have not arrived, Pure Hockey was checking on this with vendor.
10U and 12U jerseys are due to arrive Dec. 1.

COMMUNICATIONS- Julie Bustos

- Created and published various comms, including email newsletter, website updates, social posts (Chipotle fundraiser, Try Hockey for Free).
- Tested paid Facebook ad for Try Hockey For Free day. It was successful in driving interest.
- Social media and email analysis

FUNDRAISING- Kelly Rand

Gambling committee established - Ryan Strom and Sarah Skillrud

Found a prospective Gambling Manager- Lori Stone, she is signed up for seminar

Weekly meetings being held to work through all the applications and forms required. Need approval for all application fees. \$350 license application(annual), \$100 temp license(5 instances)×5, \$100 Gambling Manager Application, \$150 Premise Permit.

Mike's Tav is still on board and excited to get started.

RECRUITMENT: Alyssa Dunnigan

THFF: Held November 6th. We had 16 registrants, 9 showed up. We had at least one family register for SPCHA after the event. I would like to say a special thank you to Julie Bustos for her marketing communications as well as on ice prowess. All around, great team effort.

Yard Signs: Communication went out to keep signs for next season or return to concession stand where I will pick them up.

COVID- Peder Nestingen

Increasing number of COVID infections reported to us by parents. No evidence of spread between players on teams.

SAFE SPORT/PCA- Peder Nestingen

No report

Mini Mite/Mite/8U- Elliott Retelle

No report

DEI

No report

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR- Katie Murphy

2 days of pictures. Went fine despite teams not completely having their uniforms

Mite Tourney in February- John Peine is working on getting that organized and teams signed up. Ice has been assigned.

Ice Breaker Tourney- Ryan Strom found two volunteers to help with organizing tournament. Things are moving along nicely. Brackets are set and all info is sent to D2. Still need 1 C team.

Volunteer shifts- Sign ups are light. We've had a couple last minute cancelations that resulted in concessions not being open. They were not busy nights but it makes me nervous that these shifts are not being filled.

Concessions- Sales are going fairly well. Jeff Zajac has volunteered to get donuts to the rink for Saturday and Sunday mornings. I could not find a vendor that would deliver and would allow a large order. Jeff has a friend that just started a bakery and they are happy to have the business.

Finances- All bank statements have been sent to CLA for reconciling and all transactions have been entered on my end into Quickbooks. Hoping this month, with help from CLA, we get bill.com set up. This will tremendously help with paying invoices.

We have several families that have declined payments. They have been notified and will be followed up until taken care of.

Capitals Care- Nancy Michels has recruited Mary Pat Abraham to help coordinate this effort. All but one team has a Capitals Care coordinator.

Spruce top sales/Pizza sales- Spruce top participants were lighter than expected. Pizza sales are due Dec. 6th. Managers will be notified to alert parents.

NEW BUSINESS-

1. (10 min) Motion to allocate \$5000 to gambling committee to be used for upstart costs incurred in getting our gambling operations started. (Peder and Kelly) These funds will be used to purchase gambling applications and license fees, pull tab equipment, and initial staffing costs. Jeff motioned Julie 2nd passes
2. (5 min) Motion to form discipline committee to deal with pending parent discipline issue. (Peder) Chair moves, Kelly 2nd passes
3. (5 min) Motion to appoint Davi Axelson, Dave Rust, and Peder Nestingen to the discipline committee. (Peder) Added Kelly Rand to committee. Chair moves, Jeff 2nd passes
4. (15 min) Motion to repeal Capitals' COVID Preparedness Plan. (Peder) This motion would repeal the COVID Preparedness plan from August 2020 -- to the extent it still applies -- and from June 2021. The Minnesota Department of Health and Minnesota

Hockey no longer require hockey associations to have and enforce COVID protocols.

This would move the Capitals' COVID protocols to an assumption of risk situation. Will post CDC guidelines.

ADJOURNMENT 8:29pm Jeff Motions Julie 2nds