

Eagan Hockey Association Board Meeting
Location: Eagan Civic Arena Community Room
Monday, July 14, 2008; 7:00 PM

7:00 PM - Meeting called to order.

Board Member attendance:

Present: Alexander, Bergom, Borman, Buckingham, Everson, Gebhart, May, Shepherd, Soshnik, Sparks, Wall, Carroll

Absent: Bonstrom, Manzella, Parrish

Old Business:

Review Minutes from June 16, 2008 Meeting.

Motion to Approve June 16, 2008 minutes by Carroll; Second by Alexander; unanimously approved by all board members present.

Previous Business:

Gambling Report – presented by Sue Downey

Report of cash transactions for the month of June 2008.

Caspers/Cherokee Sirloin Room showed gross receipts for pulltabs of 12,411 and bingo of \$104

Coopers showed gross receipts for pulltabs of 12,737 plus bingo of 1,455.00

Plus interest of 1.23 less shortages of \$69.00 for a net deposit of \$26,639.23

Disbursements approved at prior meeting for \$26,430.68 left us with an increase in cash of \$208.55

Disbursements for the July monthly expenses \$21,171.15 were approved unanimously by all board members and non board members present.

Motion by May and second by Gebhart; unanimously approved by all members present.

Other Gambling news:

- Bingo is continuing throughout the Summer at both locations.
- Sue will be attending a continuing education class in July
- L&S Audit scheduled for August and tax filing will follow.
- Some security concerns. Other establishments have had break-ins recently.

New Business:

Handbook review:

Continued discussion around updates from last review and additional proposed changes.

Tryout Committee met to look at Handbook updates

- Locks and pools will remain the same as previous years.
- Neutral or Eagan colored jersey and socks must be worn at tryouts.
- Pat Carroll reviewed with the board the process around tryouts.
- Next Spring (2009) – the board will look at changes to the tryout committee formation prior to forming the committee.

Budget will be looked at first meeting in august for Handbook updates.

Tournaments:

Need to get EHA hosted tourney dates into D8.

Player Development:

Total Hockey

- Player Dev met with level coordinators to discuss use of Total Hockey for Player Development. As a follow-up, Josh Biser, Co-site director at Eagan Total Hockey Facility was present for Q&A from the board and the level coordinators.
- Can they meet demands for players and coaches of all levels and with-in levels?
 - Coaches are looking for flexibility to tailor development to their specific teams needs.
 - Looking for education opportunities for coaches, especially as it pertains to the age group.
 - Each core training station has a tracking mechanism to see how players are progressing related to each station.
- Looking at an open house at Total Hockey session to show how things work.

The board discussed and agreed to move forward with the partnership with Total Hockey to build a player development program. Next steps are to look at budget and look at what Total Hockey can provide given that budget.

Fall Clinics:

- EHA will not hold the 6 weeks Tuesday / Thursday fall on ice clinics; however, some ice time will be retained for various needs such as Open hockey, Mites, Coaches clinics.
- Monday Goalie clinics starting August 18 for all age groups will remain (5 sessions).

Budget:

Began looking at budget and what Board members need to begin looking at in preparation for next Board meeting.

Level Updates

Pee-wees – Reported by Everson

Town Hall meeting held Wednesday, July 9

The agenda included:

- the numbers (teams, goalies and levels),
- player development,
- tryouts,
- registration,
- coach selection,
- volunteering, and
- fundraising.

Terry Everson on behalf of the Pee-Wee Coaches Selection committee recommended Kerry Karinen as a non-parent Pee-Wee “A” head coach. Terry reviewed Kerry’s credentials with the board.

A Motion to approve Kerry Karinen as Pee-Wee A head coach was made by Everson; Second by May; unanimously approved by all board members present.

Bantams – Reported by Soshnik

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- fundraising.

Other Business:

District 8 meeting: Gebhart Reported.

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- There will be a Level 5 coaches certification clinic in St. Paul Next Year (June/July timeframe)
- Coaching clinics for certification sites and dates should be posted by August
- Issues around playing non MN Hockey affiliate teams such as the Fire is not technically allowed. Recommendation not to invite these teams to tournaments or play.

- Vote will happen in August for Hudson, River Falls and Onalaska WI teams to play D8 in 2008-09 season.
- Refs clinics are set for 9/13-15
 - 9/13 Wakota L1&2
 - 9/14 Rochester L 1,2&3
 - 9/15 South St. Paul L3
- Ref fees are increasing \$4 / game
 - \$28 squirt
 - \$30 peewee
 - \$39 bantam
 - No change for Jr Gold
- Next State Meeting to be held 6/30 weekend
 - Affiliate agreement
 - Affiliation is community (where you live) based.
 - Proposal for players to play in district where they go to school.
 - Blake given 2 year affiliate agreement (bantam level)
 - St. Thomas is not going through proper process with D8.
 - One site State A Tournament day proposed for the championship games passed barely at April State Mtg.
 - Number of issues: Proposal to play at Xcel however it is booked. Outstate teams and tournament hosts get short end of stick.
 - Rules Changes:
 - 4 hour rest between on ice activities proposed to move to 2 hrs. D8 is going to support this.
 - STOP patches may no longer be required.
- D8 ACE (advanced coaching education) coordinator position is open
- League dates should be posted on the website.
- Propose to have PeeWee and Bantam leagues for A, B1, B2, and C.

May made a motion to adjourn at 9:10 PM; Second by Borman; unanimously approved by all present.