

Minutes of the Morris Hockey Association Monday December 15, 2008

Board Members Present: Jim Rentz, Jeff McKeever, Amy Christians, Kim Gullickson, Kristin Ohren, Todd Valnes, Ryan Watzke, Jamie Beyer

Absent: Ann Vipond

Others Present: Deb Asmussen, Juanita Staples, Ron Staples, Adam Christians

General Membership Meeting:

Jim Rentz called the Meeting to order.

Gambling Report: Gambling Report was presented by Deb Asmussen. Report on the gross and net expenditures, allowable expenses and lawful purpose expenditures were given. Checkbook balance report was provided from November. December checkbook balance is \$

Ryan moved to approve the gambling report. Ron seconded. Motion carried.

Old Business: Capital Drive Kristin deposited \$500.00, Balance \$11,646.02. Plumbing bill will come out of this balance. Jamie moved to approve payment of \$1713.92 to Needham Plumbing for Installing water heater. Jeff seconded. Motion carried.

New Business: Jim Kennedy sent email concerned with fan safety at games in both arenas. Fans are very close to the rink during games. Jim Rentz assured him we would look in to cost of putting the higher glass in by bleachers. Ron was quoted \$190.00 per sheet. We would need 32 sheets, at 5 foot high. Discussion held. Ron reported Mary Holmberg brought it up at the sport boosters meeting, they discussed it at the meeting and there was no clear recommendation. Juanita staples recommended posting signs to watch for flying pucks. Ron will post signs.

Ron brought another issue to the board from sport boosters. Mary Holmberg would like to get defibrillators at both LCC and ball fields. Mary Holmberg would like to have the hockey association pay for a portion of the defibrillator for LCC. The estimate is \$1200-\$1300 for a rebuilt one. Discussion held. Amy will talk to John Rau at the hospital and see if they will donate all or a portion of the cost. Jim moved to put in up to \$500.00 towards the purchase of the defibrillators if need be. Kim seconded. Motion Carried.

Jamie moved to close the general membership meeting. Ryan seconded. Motion carried.

Board Meeting:

Jim Rentz called the meeting to order.

Jim stated that Barb Schwartz has reported some positive issues.

Amy brought up the issue of working in Benson when there are Benson parents standing around in the rink watching Morris kids skate and Morris parents are working their concession stand at their rink. This item will be put on the agenda for the joint meeting.

Jim reported that there was a coaching concern from another team, of our level of play at the Bantam level being B and they felt we should be at the A level.

Secretary's Report: Discussion of membership issues from previous meeting. Issues with girls and the mite skater are resolved. Need to add the November balance of LCC checkbook. Jamie moved to approve the November Minutes. Ryan seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Morris Hockey Checkbook balance is \$8098.91. This includes the donation from the Schultz family. Capital Improvement Fund balance is \$11,646.42\$. Kim moved to approve the Treasures report. Ryan seconded. Motion carried.

Lee Community Center Report: Lee Community Center checkbook balance is \$10,635.15. Discussion held on expenses and income. CR Sports purchased a sign for three years and made their own sign. There are deposits to be put in. Jamie moved to approve the LCC report. Jeff seconded. Motion

carried.

Maintenance: Nothing to report.

Fundraising: There were no high sellers. \$4240.00 was deposited from the raffle. After paying out winners it is \$3240.00. Next raffle is a prize drawing. Discussion held on next raffles prizes. Kim will prepare and bring ideas to the next meeting.

Membership: nothing

Coaches/Referees: Nothing

Tournaments: Jeff reported that Pee Wee tourney was cancelled. Squirt C Jan 17-18th. There are only two teams filled and there are no other teams willing to come. The deadline for the tourney registration is tomorrow. Jeff is looking for guidance. Jeff stated that he does not feel like it is fair to cash the advertising money if we cannot fill the tournaments. Amy recommended that we waive the entry fee. Discussion held. Jeff asked if he should try to push the Squirt C tourney. Jeff stated that not having our add in Lets Play Hockey in the month of October was very devastating for our tournaments. If we register the tourney late we will need to pay a late fee of \$250.00. Ron stated that our sponsors have been calling regarding last weekends cancelled tourney. The board advised Jeff to cancel the Squirt C tourney. Jeff should offer the next two tourneys for free and see if there are any teams. Todd suggested offering free ice time for an hour of practice the night before.

Concessions: Jamie got a new oven for the concession stand.

Jamie reported that there are 9 skaters registered for the goalie camp on Christmas Eve and jeff will be on the ice from 9:30-2 for that.

Manager, Lee Community Center: Easy Heat update, we are an unqualified claim because we have the wrong model of cables. So we will not be getting any money for the easy heat claim. We can locate the one cable that is not working and fix it in the concrete.

Ron reported that if we switch to Federated and prove we are nonprofit, we can get the internet and both phone lines for \$85.00 and we currently pay \$145.00 at Federated and Info link. Email address would change to mhockey@fedtel. The board decided to wait until March to switch.

Kim moved to adjourn. Ryan seconded. Motion carried.

Next Meeting is at Lee Community Center on January 19, 2008 at 6:30.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy Christians, Secretary