



## **Board Meeting Minutes July 15, 2009**

**Present:** Jeff Curry, Jon Semon, John Thomas, Sheri Dolan, Pete Kostraba, Del Brown, Jim Szczesniak, Greg Burger, Dick Baumgardner, Duane Olin, Chris Mapes, Bill Clarke, Len Mack.

Meeting began at 7:10 pm.

Minutes were reviewed from last month's meeting. A motion was made to accept by John Thomas and it was seconded by Del Brown.

**President: Jon Semon**

- Nothing to report.

**VP of League Operations: John Thomas**

- Nothing to report.
- State Meeting was uneventful. Next year's meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn in Grand Island.

**VP of Hockey Operations: Duane Olin**

- Met with John Cottone from Images Photography to set up packages for the upcoming season. John will try to take as many photos off-ice as possible.
- Timbit jerseys for the beginners will be ordered by next month. Duane is proposing going with new colors this season which will be gold and black. It was decided by Duane and Jon Semon to order 120 jerseys.
- No ice will be procured from Scottsville Ice Arena for the upcoming season.

**Ace Coordinator: Jeff Curry**

- Jeff is to verify the number of coaches that will require certification renewal this season and present the numbers at the next meeting.
- Jeff, Jon and the coaches for the Pee Wee and Bantam teams are to meet after the meeting to finalize team counts and rosters.

**Treasurer: Dick Baumgardner**

- Dick reviewed league finances. He feels we need to cut back on expenses where possible. He suggested we cut back on covering the screening cost, clinic cost or the USA Hockey registration cost for the coaches. He proposed that the league only cover the expense for one of these items and the coaches be responsible for the others.
- The voice mail has been canceled.
- Dick is finalizing with Marilyn at the college to install the chain link storage area in the lower corner of the ice rink. The league will have to out-source the project at a cost of approximately \$3,000 - \$4,000.

**Registrar: Sheri Dolan**

- Working on obtaining the USA Hockey bar codes. There are still 41 players who have not submitted their bar codes. Sheri will try to have all bar codes by August 1<sup>st</sup>.
- There are 1 Mite, 1 Squirt and 1 Midget player who have not paid any fees or submitted any paperwork for the upcoming season. Sheri has made several attempts via email and phone to contact these families. John Thomas will contact the Midget player to verify if he will be playing next season. Jon Semon will contact the Squirt player to verify if he will be playing next season. Sheri will continue to attempt to contact the Mite player.

**Equipment Manager: Greg Berger**

- The league will be purchasing the same jerseys for all teams. The travel teams will receive two jerseys, a white one and a blue one with twill numbers. The empire teams will receive only a white jersey with screened numbers.
- Socks will also be supplied. Suggestions were made to go back to the old royal blue, gold and white colored socks from three seasons ago.

**Empire League: Judy Keysa**

- Not present.

**Western NY League: John Thomas**

- There will be a youth hockey expo at the Buffalo Convention Center. Any organization who would like to sponsor a booth is welcome to do so.
- Bills for the team fees will be sent out soon. The fees this season will be \$250. All fees are to be collected by the scheduling meeting.
- The scheduling meeting has been set for September 12<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 AM at the Millennium Hotel in Buffalo. The season will begin on September 25<sup>th</sup> for Mites through Bantams.
- There will be a coaching certification held on September 12<sup>th</sup> at Fredonia and on September 26<sup>th</sup> at University of Buffalo.
- All team declarations are to be submitted to Janice by August 11<sup>th</sup> for all WNYL teams.

**Referee Coordinator: Mike Carroll**

- Not present.

**Ombudsman: Pete Kostraba**

- Nothing to report.

**Director of Communications: Del Brown**

- Nothing to report.

**Old Business:**

- See VP of League Operations' report.

**New Business:**

- Review Budget Numbers: Duane does not have everything ready yet but should have everything for the next meeting. Preliminary numbers show that the league should be okay.
- Jersey Order: See Equipment Manager's report.

- Jersey Logo change: Approval was given by the St Lewis Blues organization to use a version of their new logo on our jerseys. Various designs were reviewed and a new logo will be used this season. Logo choice was voted on by the board members.
- Bantam & Pee Wee numbers: Jon Semon, Jeff Curry and the coaches for the Pee Wee and Bantam teams will be meeting after the board meeting to discuss team counts and finalize the rosters for the upcoming season.

**Motion to adjourn and seconded at 8:21 and approved by all.**

The next meeting will be August 12th @ 7 pm under the pavilion at Highland Park, Geneseo.