

DYHA Meeting Agenda



April 21st, 2015

Meeting called to order at 5:31pm.

Board Members in Attendance

Jason Habrock, President
Shane Brilley, Hockey Director
Kim Taylor, Vice President
Dawn Kramer, Secretary
Mark Birch
Stephanie Edgecombe, Fundraising/Newsletter
Todd Anderson
Rebecca Lloyd
Frank Earl
Kim Earl
Dana Hansen

Review and approval of meeting minutes

Jason made a motion to approve February minutes, seconded by Todd Anderson, passed with all in favor.

Financial Report – Connie

Financial report was given by Jason Habrock for Connie Luscietto. Financials are a little different than budgeted, due to receiving income that was not on the budget.

Jason will check that all dues are paid. Ice costs were more than budgeted, probably because of Tournament of Friends. Connie said a true financial will be available for May meeting.

President Report – Jason

Kraft Hockeyville Update

An email vote was sent out to approve the expense for sign holders. 8 responded, all in favor.

Jason received an email from Kraft this morning, who said the response was overwhelming and they weren't expecting it.

Electronic billboard is being set up in front of the Civic Center. There is a lot of community support from both individuals and businesses. CAT and Tate and Lyle sent out mass emails.

Sign holders are located at the Civic Center, at PNC, at Liberty Tax on Pershing, and the old Busey Bank by Walmart North. Rebecca can shuffle times if necessary, does not want the sign holders out there after dark. Suggestions were made to possibly have sign holders at Forsyth at the mall and downtown or Mt Zion.

Final voting is tonight and tomorrow until 11:00pm and the announcement will be made next Saturday. We will find out late Thursday or Friday what the time will be for the announcement.

There are lots of questions about how the money will be spent. Chris from Civic Center says money is for DYHA, even though check goes to Civic Center. City Manager told Chris that the money is for DYHA. Mayor says the money is a way to 'improve Civic Center'. There will be an accountability of how the money is spent.

High School Program

DYHA became aware a few months ago that a hockey player from Forsyth was playing for Bloomington. DYHA asked AHAI about this, and AHAI said we are only ones with no districts, but we are also not set up properly according to articles 1 and 19.

DYHA needs to present at the May meeting a change to the by-laws because DYHA needs a separate governing board for the high school program. It is possible for the DYHA president to preside over both. There needs to be a representative from every high school that has a player on the high school team. The executive board of the high school program should have enough for a quorum for votes even if all high school representatives are not at the meetings. The high school board will need its own separate bylaws and the minutes will be recorded. The high school board needs to be a separate entity from DYHA. The current bylaws use the terminology "high school committee" and that needs to be changed.

Financial considerations: use the same DYHA bank account for high school program but keep two sets of books. It will be like two budgets rolling into the same bank account. When receiving donations, will need to specify if for youth hockey or the high school program.

Incorporation Status

The incorporation status is back in place for DYHA and it is retroactive. There is no lapse in status.

Girls 19U Team

Research has been done to see what it will take to support a girls' team out of Decatur. We are struggling with numbers; 4 Decatur girls that play in St Louis are staying there. We are looking at about 8 girls without them and some of them would be only part-time. Reached out to other cities, only Springfield is interested because they are not going to have a team. Bloomington wants to either do their own thing or partner with Peoria. Jason has said he's not trying to make it Decatur-based, just trying to get a team together to give the girls an opportunity.

A suggestion was made to maybe host a Pink the Rink event like we had a few years ago.

DYHA may try to set up a house team for girls.

Hockey Director Report

Discipline: DYHA will keep same discipline board.

Hopefully DYHA will have two high school teams next year.

(Jason said he is getting contacts from people asking about hockey due to the Hockeyville press, in particular a younger player and a high school player who has experience.)

We need to use the community as much as we can to get people voting for Hockeyville.

Old Business

Mark Birch suggests the Saturday after Thanksgiving for the game.

Charity: dual donation, Toys for Tots and \$5 admission. Have two boxes at the gate, Blues on one box, Blackhawks on other, and those attending can choose which box to put the admission money into. That cash money will be donated NHL cancer fund.

Chuck a Puck money would go to DYHA.

Mark suggests we try to get donations from Blues and Blackhawks, tickets or used jersey or autographed stick.

Time for scheduling: 5:45pm

Springfield struggled to have enough people for their charity game, but we may not and may have to have two games. Need to work on when Blaze has games; but they usually don't have any on Thanksgiving because players go home, and we have priority on the ice anyway.

Charge players \$25 for jerseys, which will help guarantee they show up. May have to set limits like number of goalies and number of players.

Suggested that we roll this into next budget year, and then as soon as budget approved we can put out registration on the website for the Alumni game and meet the August deadline for registration.

Solicit alumni coaches to coach the teams. Ramon may referee as volunteer. Todd Kellermann may be able to get referees to work for free.

Players can use any old number. Shane suggested a draft party at Doherty's on Friday night before the game.

New Business

Gift Card: \$50 gift card for John and Christie House for their assistance with Hockeyville photo.

Motion made by Kim Taylor to approve the \$50 gift card, seconded by Dawn Kramer, motion passed with all in favor.

Notecards: Kim T. wants some more printed with new logo, for thank you and sympathy cards, etc.

Kim made a motion to spend \$100 on note cards; Jason seconded, motion passed with all in favor.

Gift: Gary Genenbacher has donated a lot of time assisting with the not-for-profit status issue; suggestion made to give him a \$200 gift.

Jason made a motion for a \$200 gift to Gary Genenbacher, Kim T. seconded, motion passed with all in favor.

Kristi Niles: Suggestion made to recognize Kristie Niles for her role in getting us into the Hockeyville USA finals. A suggestion was made to make a plaque, one for her and one to display at the Civic Center. We want to keep this confidential until Saturday's announcement party. Dawn will look into getting something prepared for this Saturday.

Guest Question: Regarding high school player. Bloomington player must play the district he lives in for high school; the player can play in Decatur, or just play on a Midget team because Midget can play anywhere.

Motion made by Jason to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Rebecca Lloyd, motion to adjourn passed with all in favor.

Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting: May 12th, 2015 at 5:30 pm – Annual Meeting