



DYHA Board Meeting Minutes

July 14st, 2015

Meeting called to order at 5:40pm.

Board Members in Attendance

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

In addition to board members, three association members were also present.

Review and approval of meeting minutes

Jason made motion to approve June 2015 minutes, Rebecca seconded, motion passed all in favor.

Financial Report – Rebecca

Rebecca did not print out report; not a lot of activity. She is still going over some things; some items in checkbook that are not in Quickbooks. Rebecca will give checks to Jason for signature.

\$20,993.08 Regular Checking
\$14,415.63 Bingo Account

President Report – Jason

Update on progress with Civic Center regarding proposed projects

Just finished meeting with Civic Center; there are some unexpected roadblocks to the proposed projects. Mike and Chris were on board with original ideas, and some ideas were partly theirs. Press is asking for updates, Jason gave them some information and the board of the Civic Center said it was the first they had heard of the update proposals. Roadblocks include bid process. There is a hesitation to jump in on the Civic Center's behalf.

There may not be anything done before hockey season starts. There was some miscommunication where Jason was told the board was advised of talks but they were not. Anything going forward will get copied to Civic Center board president.

We were told not to go to meetings; it was not necessary we would be told when we need to attend. Jason was told don't attend, we have the green light.

Change to hallway is met with approval, Todd is putting together a detailed proposal. We will hand proposed bid package for sound system to Civic Center and they will put cover letter on it and send it out.

DYHA will develop projects, and Civic Center will handle bids.

Several people have donated work skills; Civic Center is presenting opposition to this. Civic Center will check with their lawyer to see if we can use these people. Some have also wanted to donate materials.

Update on donation process/Decatur Celebration

Going well, have had a lot of smaller donations since initial donations. Pam Hess has done a lot of work getting donations. Jason says he thinks we will get to the \$37,500, but we may have to do more work to get there.

Kim asked if we could put a box at beer booths for donations. Shane suggested a 'tips' box.

Kristi Niles will be the Grand Marshal of the Decatur Celebration parade.

Jamal Mayers was on Blackhawks a few years ago, he is now the commentator for Comcast/NBC Blackhawks and he is coming down for Celebration. We have offered for him to ride with Kristi. They are not bringing the cup.

After the parade, Civic Center will make a room available for him to sign autographs. The Blackhawks want this community involvement.

Biggest event after the parade is the hot dog eating contest; right before that, we can go onstage and receive check from Community Foundation for fundraising. Mayers will be involved with this. Jason reached out to Kraft to ask if they wanted to make the formal check presentation then. The check was received and deposited in Civic Center account today. For Foundation donations; half the money will go to Civic Center and half will go the DYHA.

2015/2016 Budget Review

Tom Peter has been working on OneGoal, asked for maximum of 40 sets. Should hear back within the next few weeks. Most equipment is geared towards small beginners.

Item added to budget: Youth Equipment Rental from One Goal. We buy for \$50 (\$200 worth of equipment), and we 'rent' it for \$50. If they return it, they get a \$50 credit towards next year.

Kim E asked about practice jerseys line item. Jason said a lot of coaches ask for coordinated practice jerseys for practices. We don't want to add cost to parents for hockey jerseys. The Degree jerseys have only been coming in small sizes, like Youth L, and we have handed a lot of them out. The practice jersey cost is for \$200 jerseys. Jason said that even with removing the \$37,500 donations, we still have a profit. Kim T says it is a nice payback to parents for fundraising efforts during the year. In TOF, we have several teams that participate, with 50/50, raffle etc, Kim said we need to ask we are asking parents to do all this work and this is a way to give back. It is also one more thing that has the DYHA logo on it for marketing. Kids will wear them at other practices/rinks.

Shane asked if we got checks yet from Peoria League or Lincolnland. Rebecca's response was not recorded, so will check with her at August meeting.

Big jump in advertising; banners, banner on front of building. Jason is also getting a quote to put our logo on the ice. Also Jason is checking into cost for digital billboards. Stephanie also suggested Facebook sponsor posts.

Suggestion from member in attendance about getting doors from penalty box to players boxes so they don't have to go out on ice. Also boards to stop water bottles from rolling in boxes.

Budget based on 137.50 per sheet of ice.

Jason made motion to approve budget, Kim Earl seconded, motion passed with all in favor.

Registration costs on the budget:

Beginners \$150 plus \$50

Mites \$450

Full Ice \$175 + (only change)

Squirt House \$350

Squirt \$875

PeeWee \$940

Bantam \$970

High School different: last year was one conglomerate

This year, broken up

JV \$725

Varsity \$800

Midget +\$425

Girls House? Will cover ice costs if have a team, 45 minutes

Jason wanted to keep costs the same as a thank you to the members. Dana will start building registration on website.

Hockey Director Report

Coaches

We have a lot of applications. Many good people, hopefully they will get positions as assistant coaches if they are not head coaches.

Beginner/MiteADM Director: Ian Sheffer

Beginner Head Coach: Steve Mixell

ADM Mite: Dan Hanson and Patrick Lawson

Mite Full Ice: Dan and Patrick co-coaches

Squirt: Steve Mixell

Squirt Travel: Jaymie Brandenburg, Greg if second team

Girls: Ian Sheffer and Emily Sheffer, and Quinn Kramer and Liz Birch to help also as student coaches.

PeeWee: Mark Hill

Bantam: Kris Taylor

JV: Andrew Yborra as assistant coach.

Varsity: waiting on response from Heath. Otherwise Shane Brilley and Ryan as helper.

Midget/JV/High School: Shane wants three different coaches. Don't have coach for Midget Travel; if we don't get a coach we may have to reach out to someone outside of Decatur and pay them.

Kim E suggested reaching out to Rob Oleson.

Scott Striglos will fill in if necessary, will not let a team go without a coach.

Right now, have all coaches except for Midget.

Reach out to other previous coaches, but will they be willing to travel and spend so much with no kids on the team.?

Motion to accept slate of coaches proposed, with exception of Midget coach not filled yet, motion made by Shane, seconded by Mark Birch, motion passed with all in favor.

Schedule

There have been several versions of schedule due to Blaze games. 8:15pm-11:15pm on Fridays. Friday skates on Blaze game days are from 6-8pm, hoping people will stay after to watch game. Saturday games are 7-10pm, and Sunday games are from 3:15pm-6:15pm.

Coaches have talked about sharing practice times. Two squirt, one bantam, one peewee, MiteADM, beginners, JV and Varsity and girls team, Mite Full Ice.

Mite Full Ice will have their own practice times, one sheet every other week. A lot of practices will be 9-10pm. Shane suggests mite games on Saturday mornings from 9-10. And Shane wants to keep the times consistent. Shane wants to keep groups together that have kids in adjacent age groups. Shane suggests and Jason supports changing beginner ice practice time to 45 minutes. Better for kids, coaches and parents. Squirts and PeeWees will practice together. JV and Varsity will practice together. Girls team can be for any young girls even if they haven't skated before.

Old Business

Decatur Celebration beer booth staffing – Mark Birch

Needs 3 people Friday, needs last shift 4 on Saturday, Sunday need 1 to help first shift and 10 for Sunday night. Jason asked for revised list of what is needed so he can send out another email to ask for help.

Mark also asked for Blues/Blackhawks contact, Jason will send.

Decatur Celebration Parade – Rebecca/Dawn

Rebecca will meet with Lori on Friday to get some answers on whether we can have flatbed and also change our contest entry to be more than walkers.

New Business

Bingo Coordinator

Kim T suggests opening up to membership, go through Jason, Rebecca and Jason can review to select appropriate person. Rebecca will continue as coordinator until we find someone else. It is a lot of work. Rebecca will send email with specifications and job description to Jason. She will get it by Monday.

Jason: motion to issue check for goals that were delivered, about \$300 expenditure after Lawson family donation. Motion seconded by Dawn, motion passes will all in favor.

Next meeting August 11, 2015 at 5:30pm

Motion to Adjourn Meeting made at 6:43pm by Jason, seconded by Rebecca, motion passed with all in favor.

Submitted by Dawn Kramer, DYHA Secretary