

TCAHA Board of Directors Meeting

Monday, March 9, 2009 6:30 pm - TRAC in Pasco

- I. **Meeting Called to Order**
Meeting called to order at 6:39 pm

- II. **Board Members in Attendance**
Present: Dustin Beck, Randy Smith, Debbie Didzerekis, Jean Megna, Trae Rockwell, James Cramer, Richard Johnson, Craig Larson
Excused Absence: Susan Winslow
Unexcused Absence: None

- III. **Reading of Prior Minutes**
Motion to approve the February minutes. *Motion approved with corrections.*

- IV. **New Business**
 - A. We need to update the constitution. Also, the handbook needs updating. We should have these changes to the membership for their approval by the May meeting.
 - B. The Toyota Arena would like to assist TCAHA in attracting large tournaments to the area. They have offered to assist with staffing among other things. Dustin will send a request to PNAHA for the State Tournament and Squirt Festival.
 - C. Refund Request- A midget aged player is requesting a refund. He was hurt in September and never requested one. He is currently playing “non-checking” Adult Hockey. This player will need to provide a doctor’s note and explanation for the lateness of the request. It is possible that he could receive a credit for Adult Hockey. Decision tabled pending further information.

A HS player is requesting a refund. He is unable to play due to his grades. Since the checks have not yet been processed, we could just return the check to them.

- V. **Unfinished Business**
None

- VI. **Report of Officers and Directors**
 - A. **President- Dustin Beck-** No report
 - B. **Vice President-** No report.
 - C. **Secretary- Jean Megna-** No report
 - D. **Treasurer- Debbie Didzerekis-** Motion to approve Treasurer’s report through January.
 - E. **Past President Report- Vacant-** No report
 - F. **Directors:**
 1. Trae Rockwell- Reiterating that Pamela Rockwell will serve as Squirt AGC until the next draft, and will then be done.
 2. Trae had proposed a tracking sheet for open action items, we could add a new section to the minutes. Action items should be listed as open or closed.
 3. We need to send a request out to the general membership for award nominations.
 4. Susan Winslow- No report

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5. James Cramer- Showed a poster of his team from the Spokane tournament. Post Net was selling these at the tournament. The pictures are copy righted from our team pictures at the beginning of the year, and Post Net did not obtain permission from parents or Reallife to use them.
6. 4. Richard Johnson- No report
- 7.

VII. Committee Reports (Chair Person/Liaison)

- A. Adult Program Committee- John Fialkovich/James Cramer-** No report
- B. Coaching Committee- Terry Liikala/Dustin Beck-** Follow up on the PNAHA Investigation of coaching credential violations: It was learned that some of our rostered coaches and assistants were not credentialed. Moving forward, there can be NO exceptions to this rule. In the future, if the referees check credentials and you are on the bench with no card, they will write your name on the score sheet and PNAHA will investigate. Penalty for this can be up to a 30 day suspension. ALL on ice helpers will need to be carded. We need to ask PNAHA about our ambassador program with the Americans.
- C. Discipline Committee- Randy Smith-** Discipline item to be ratified in executive session. There was a letter sent regarding parent behavior at the Frozen Rose tournament in Portland. One of our parents was complaining about the behavior of some of our parents. Randy will look into it.
- D. Equipment Management Committee- Pamela Rockwell/Trae Rockwell-**Trae is ordering pucks.
- E. Finance Committee-**No report.
- F. HS/MS Hockey Committee- Vacant/Dustin Beck-** Ratification of coaches for HS/MS Hockey will be done via email. Also, Jim Soulia has agreed to assist as HS/MS Commissioner, with the help of Dustin Beck and perhaps Lori Larson. Motion to approve Jim Soulia and Lori Larson as co-commissioners of HS/MS Hockey. *Motion approved.*
- G. Team Manager Committee- Rhonda Kelly/ Susan Winslow-**No report
- H. Nominations Committee- Div. Coordinators/Jean Megna-** No report.
- I. Public Relations Committee- Debbie Didzerekis/Tim Kelly-** We can't toss T-Shirts at the Ams game, but we could give them out at our table. Also, Debbie wants to know if we want to do the Mall Safe Saturday again. The board agreed.
- J. Registration Committee- Vacant/Susan Winslow-** 2009/2010 Registration Fees: Before these can be set, we need to take a look at this past year's finances and see if any adjustments need to be made.
- K. Point of Contact Report- Administrator/Vacant-**There have been improvements to the website. The news and sponsors have changed places and this works much better.

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L. Scheduling Committee- Scheduler/Dustin Beck- Regarding HS/MS schedule, there should be no weekend practices before it starts due to Spring Break.

M. Scholarship Committee-Administrator/ Jean Megna-No report

N. Sponsorship Program (ad hoc) Dustin Beck/James Cramer- Perhaps a banner system for Sponsors should be instituted. Dustin would like to give the Administration Team permission to sell the boards and other sponsor opportunities for a percentage of the revenue generated. Andrea should administer the Host Hotel program, because we are losing a lot of revenue to uncollected Host Hotel information. If Andrea could book the rooms, or direct the out of town team managers to which hotels to make their reservations, then this information would already be captured. Andrea would be given a percentage of the revenue on this.

O. O. Facilities Committee- Steve Christian/ Vacant- Regarding First Aid Kits and AED's, Dustin sent an email to both facilities, and has not heard back from them. He will check with them again.

Complaint regarding the glass in front of the clock and penalty box at Toyota Arena. Can we get it replaced?

P. Tournament Committee- Dustin would like to see a MINIMUM requirement for what to have in tournament programs. This would avoid "forgetting" a sponsor, etc. and standardize the programs. Jean reported that last year we began a process for standardizing much of the tournaments, and with the addition of Frank Dunn as the Tournament Director, we should be able to accomplish more this year.

VIII. New Business from the Floor

A. 3/3 proposal from Paul and Debbie Didzerekis-Well written proposal for a "fun" 3/3 league for BP-Squirt ages. It would be weekly from approximately April to June. Motion to approve proposal. *Motion passed. Fee structure to be decided based on scheduled ice costs and projected participation.*

B. Summer Hockey- Fees need to be set for each program. We will wait to see how much ice is available.

IX. Action Items

A. Dustin:

1. Contact Spokane regarding unauthorized team posters.
2. Looking into First Aid Kits and AED's at both arenas.

B. Randy: -Investigating whether the complaint regarding parent behavior is a Discipline Committee issue.

C. Andrea:

1. Send an email to membership regarding interest in coaching clinic. Responses need to be in by March 20th.

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2. Send an email reminder regarding HS/MS registration deadline.
3. Send an email to Coaches regarding interest in Summer Hockey programs. Also have AGC's poll their age groups and gauge interest in summer hockey programs.

D. Carrie/Joli Figure out how to have online registration. Paul Didzerekis willing to let TCAHA use his online security certificates for free.

E. Joli: -Return a HS/MS player check that is withdrawing .

F. Board:

1. Need to look over last year's finances and set next year's registration fees.
2. Update the Constitution and Handbook and get changes posted for membership approval.
3. Waiting for further information before deciding on a refund request.

X. Adjournment- Adjourn at 9:02 pm to Executive Session.

XI. Executive Session: Began: 9:15pm- Regarding a "Charging Major with intent to injure" and a Match penalty on a Midget aged player. The video and Referee Account did not match. Player was given a 4 game suspension and will be on probation for next year. Probation will include and automatic suspension for any subsequent game misconducts. Motion to approve Discipline Committee recommendation. *Motion approved.*

Request was sent to the referee association that requested help with collecting a debt from one of their referees. This seems to have been effective.

Executive Session Adjourned 9:24pm.