



# GVAHA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

January 19th, 2016

7:00pm- Georgetown Ice Arena

## **BOARD MEMBERS:**

**Present:** Mike Hatkowski, Jim Rozema, Keith Talsma, Lisa Mulder, Greg Raad, Christina Smith, Jack Williams, Kelli Sterley, Craig Sterley

**Absent:** Kelly Frazee

**Quorum present?**- Yes

**Others Present-** N/A

## **PROCEEDINGS:**

Called to order by Greg Raad at 7:01pm

### **Approval of the previous meeting minutes**

- Notated change in draft minutes to reflect that "1 family earned over \$1000 " in Scrip.

### **Secretary Report**

- Minutes approved as revised (see above)

### **Treasurer Report**

- Greg Raad noted that all ice fees have been paid.
- Budget discussion will be brought up under the President's report.

### **VP of Travel Report**

- LCAHL playoffs and MAHA have been adjusted by one week. Teams have until 02/26/16 to complete playoff games.
- Tryouts for 2015/2016. Jack will be calling other Associations to get an idea of scheduling dates for the tryouts.

### **VP House Report**

- Jim discussed the latest news on some big wins by the associations Squirt 2 team and Mites.
- Jim would like to schedule meeting with the coaches at the end of February for thoughts on ADM and practices, for more input. Jim feels

that we are being dominated physically in tournaments by other associations.

- Jackets were re-ordered but came in with the incorrect logo. This led to more discussion with B&R in regards to ordering items. All orders are to go through Amy for the time being. Jim has suggested to them as well that we meet with Bauer so that uniforms can be used for more than one year.
- Jim brought up that we need to add signs to the locker room doors about no cell phones in the locker rooms.

### **Hockey Director Report**

- Jack has been discussing next year's coaching with the travel coaches and has a good idea of what he will be doing with house coaching for next year. Jack feels the foundation for the house program is strong, evidenced by the squirt and peewee level teams.
- Meijer is potentially going to hire a skill team to provide some skills sessions in the future.
- STAR report was filed for the Kalamazoo Pee Wee house game. The report stated that a parent from the stands came on to the ice to confront a coach. Jack has investigated the claim with the Pee Wee house coach and determined it was a matter of perception and perspective. Parents that work the penalty box need to be reminded that they are an unofficial "official" when they are working in the box and should be an unbiased party to the game.
- There was a discussion in regards to referee oversight as there is no recourse to filing a claim against an official. Lisa also noted that referees need to note their number on the score sheets otherwise technically the game would not count.
- Report from USA Hockey in regards to a Tournament game in South Bend for the Bantam A coach. Penalty was assessed during the game and time was served so the board has agreed that the issue is over. Parent members of the team were present at the game and this board meeting and provided more information on the incident, this was an issue with past personal history and perspective.

### **Fundraising Report**

- Scrip is going good. Kelli would like to get a questionnaire completed on the family that earned over \$1,000 this past year.

### **Communications Director Report**

- Sport NGIN has been renewed but the price will be \$200 more.
- Discussion of utilizing online registration and paying with credit cards at that time.
- Discussion of an E-Newsletter that can consolidate everything into one place once a month
- Keith is reminding members to notify him when our teams have news to share about tournament wins. For now he is pulling things from Facebook or Instagram if teams do not notify him.

### **Township Representative Report**

- Mike discussed the SCRIP cut-off for player credits for next year and next steps to collect balances owed.
- Discussion of tournaments for next season. Mike would like the STARS in more of the local tournaments.
- Blood drive will be at the rink on 02/28 but not for SCRIP credit.
- Adray Gold Pee Wee Tournament- volunteers are needed to update the website and scorekeeping.

### **MAHA Representative Report**

- MAHA is looking to revamp the rules in 2018 to change the requirements for player movement between associations.

### **President's Report**

- 2015/2016 Budget- Greg noted that the board has never really gone through the detailed budget in the past however he will be doing that with the Treasurer and Hockey director this year.
- Greg would like to have more financial accountability of the Teams and managers going forward.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Meeting adjourned at 8:32 PM

Next Meeting Scheduled for Tuesday, **2/23/16 @ 7pm**