

Casper Amateur Hockey Club

Board of Directors Meeting

Casper Ice Arena Skybox

October 1, 2009

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm with CAHC President Doug Floyd presiding. Additional members present were Kevin Whitman, James Ewald, Jamie Rupp, Erica Costello, Troy Williamson, Kate Williamson, Kim Salveson, Debi Collins, Tracy Ewald Sharon Chapman, Todd Hammond, Jolene Whitley, Kevin Taheri, JR Miller and Rev Morton. Guests present were Dave Solko.

The minutes for the September meeting were presented and no corrections were offered. Kim Salveson moved to accept the minutes as presented. Erica seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent. The minutes from the Special Board Meeting on September 17th were presented. A correction was made since Sharon was not present at the meeting as recorded. Troy moved to accept the corrected minutes. Erica seconded the motion, which passed without dissent

President's Report

Doug asked that the ice schedule be discussed which was presented by Kim. It was suggested that the Club retain the 9:35-10:30 time slot on Tuesday and this be used for various Club purposes but with priority given to the Bantams and Midgets for extra practices. It was also suggested that the 7:40-8:10 practice slot on Monday be removed and the following times be moved up. The Midget practices would be the "A" team practicing in the early time slot on Mondays and the late time slot on Wednesday. The Midget "B" team will practice in the late slot on Mondays and the early slot on Wednesdays. The U8 practices would be divided into "A" and "B" groups (newer skaters) on Wednesdays and Sundays at 11:45. The U8 "C" and "D" levels (returning skaters) would practice on Thursdays and Sundays at 5:15 pm. Kate moved to accept the schedule with these changes. Kevin Taheri seconded the motion, which passed without dissent.

Doug also informed the Board of the Bantam parent meeting which included some contentious discussion towards the Coach. Board members (and Club members) were reminded to use proper decorum during any Club meetings or correspondence. Erica also reminded the Board that electronic communication only be sent to those people who need to be informed of particular issues. Doug reminded everyone to be polite to the Ice Arena staff.

Doug reported that the skybox can be reserved with 24 hr notice per the Club's lease with the city.

Doug also informed the Board that the PeeWee parents had decided to field 2 WAHL teams and 1 Travel Team despite the decision rendered at the Special meeting that there would be 1 PeeWee team. Jamie reminded the Board that Club business can only be conducted at the Annual Meeting or Board Meetings and that proper protocol needs to be followed. Board members were reminded not to approve decisions without the approval of the appropriate governing body. There is no mechanism to conduct business between meetings unless the Bylaws of the Club are amended. It was also reviewed that the Club's Policies are "guidelines" and that final decisions on individual issues rest with the Board of Directors or the Membership, whichever is more appropriate.

Jamie then moved to reconsider the previous decision regarding a single PeeWee team. Kate seconded the motion, which passed without dissent. Kate then moved to approve 2 WAHL and 1 Travel Team for the PeeWee age group. Kevin Whitman seconded the motion, which passed with Jamie voting no.

Kevin Taheri moved that CAHC sponsor the UW-Montana State hockey game on October 3rd, 2009, including coverage of any potential financial shortfall. Jolene seconded the motion, which passed with Jamie and Troy voting no.

Doug informed the Board that the City had been provided with our insurance certificate.

Kim reported that the Ice Grant Application has been submitted to the City although she is skeptical on approval.

Doug reported that Douglas has ice available on Fridays for purchase for any group interested.

Jolene reported that she is attempting to gather contact information on sponsors. Doug reported that the City still has not put the dasher boards up but that this will hopefully occur in the near future. At a previous meeting, Blu McGrath had promised that these would be up by the start of the season (September 21). The cost to replace the damaged dashers is unknown at this time.

Treasurer's Report

Kim presented the treasurer's report. Troy moved to accept the report as presented. Erica seconded the motion, which passed without dissent.

Finance Committee Report

Jolene moved that Hat Trick card sponsors be given a free Hat Trick card. Rev seconded the motion, which passed without dissent. Jolene also then made assignments to the Board on contacting sponsors regarding the 2009-2010 bills, which will be sent out shortly.

Scholarship Committee

Erica reported that there was over \$6000.00 in the Dustin Latimer fund. Scholarships totaling \$1500.00 were granted to all 6 skaters who applied. Jamie moved that any money collected from donations made in the memory of Bill Ryan go to the Dustin Latimer fund for the present time. Troy seconded the motion, which passed without dissent.

Todd moved that the Club purchase helmet stickers commemorating Bill Ryan for this season, not to exceed \$100.00. Kevin Taheri seconded the motion, which passed without dissent.

Coaching Committee

James Ewald reported that a coaching curriculum had been submitted and that there will be an attempt to have a working plan in place by the next Board Meeting (November).

The Squirts have 18 skaters willing to travel. However, the coach wants Board approval to only take 15 skaters. The existing policy was reviewed which indicated that tryouts would need to be held and that the final decision on rosters rests with the coach (es).

Kim pointed out that costs will be higher with the Home and Home scheduling approved by WAHL. Discussion ensued on how best to bill our skaters. Kim moved that there be 2 separate initial assessments for Travel Teams in the following manner: "Tournament" teams will be billed \$125.00 and "WAHL" teams will be billed \$110.00. It was clarified that some skaters therefore, will be billed \$235.00. Kevin Taheri seconded the motion, which passed with JR and Troy voting no and Jamie abstaining.

Discipline Committee

Nothing to report

Bylaw and Policy Committee

Nothing to report

Communication Committee

James Ewald reported that he is working on development of a Facebook page to enhance Club communication.

Scheduling and Special Events Committee

The Squirt Travel Team would like to utilize the 6:00-7:00 am time slot until a Mite Travel Team is picked. Once the Mite Travel Team is picked, the Squirts will practice from 5:45-6:45 am and the Mites will practice from 6:15-7:15 am.

Jamie reported that Hockey in the Rockies will probably not be able to be fulfilled. There has been a lack of interest both from other clubs and CAHC. Therefore, the following tournament schedule was submitted:

October 30-November 1	Squirt Travel Tournament
November 13-15	PeeWee Travel Tournament
December 4-6	Eddie McPherson Midget Tournament
December 11-13	U8 Jamboree
January 8-10	Bantam Travel Tournament
February 19-21	Mite Travel Tournament
February 26-28	Squirt/PeeWee House Tournament

Kim moved that the schedule be accepted and that all tournament fees be set at \$650.00 except for U8, which will be \$350.00 and the Squirt/PeeWee House Tournament which will be \$450.00. Kevin Taheri seconded the motion, which passed without dissent.

Member Relations Committee

Sharon reported that parent meetings and orientation will be held as follows:

October 7, 2009	5:30 pm	Squirts
October 8, 2009	5:30-9:30 pm	U8 "C" and "D", PeeWees, Bantams, Girls.
October 14, 2009	5:30 pm	U8 "A" and "B"

There will be Mixers held in the Skybox on October 21 and 22 from 5:15-8:30 pm. Board members were encouraged to attend both the parent meetings and the mixer to enhance Club communication.

An attempt to complete and disseminate a newsletter will be made in November and February. People were encouraged to submit any ideas or reports to either Sharon or Erica.

Erica mentioned that she would like to compile a master list of skaters on the Club computer to aid in communication. Jamie encouraged that since this data contains sensitive information such as phone numbers, addresses and dates of birth, that this information be encrypted and the computer be secured against theft and unauthorized use.

Goalkeepers Report

Kate reported that the new jerseys are in but have not been finished. The preliminary report is that these are very nice.

Wreaths have been ordered although the delivery date is pending.

The members were reminded that even though we have new jerseys, the Club logo remains the same.

Referee-in-Chief

Troy has volunteered to be Referee-in-Chief for the 2009-2010 season. Kevin Whitman will coordinate referees for U8, Squirts and PeeWees. Wade Middleton will coordinate referees for the Bantams and Girls. Casey Frank will arrange the referees for the Midgets.

Background checks will be started with reports being submitted to Rev Morton, Vice-President of the Club. Referees greater than 18 years of age will also need to have a background check completed.

A fee schedule for the referees will need to be completed for this season. Jamie moved that fees be set at \$16.00 per game for a 2-man squad for the Squirt Travel Tournament. Kevin Taheri seconded the motion, which passed without dissent.

Registrar's Report

Debi submitted the current registration numbers. No additional report was given.

Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business to conclude.

New Business

The time for the next business meeting was set for November 5, 2009 at 6:30 pm at the Ice Arena Skybox.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

James Rupp

Secretary