

FARIBAULT HOCKEY ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES -- July 9, 2007

ROLL CALL:

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by the President, Rick Schmitz in the Conference Room of the Faribault Ice Arena. The following members were present:

Rick Bauer	---	Troy Marquardt	X	Kim Burkhartzmeyer	X
Connie Fritz	X	Kelly Murray	6:15	Melanie Teske	X
Rena Petersen	6:10	Randy Vos	X	Deb Salmonsens	X
Jason Johannsen	7:30	Rick Schmitz	X	Kent Wierschem	X
Steve Lipinski	X				

Board Members At-Large:

H.S. Boys Coach / Josh Solem	---
H.S. Girls Coach / Steve Gravgaard	---
Head of Referees / Greg Starkson	---
Gambling Manager / Rick Caron	X
At-Large Member / Tim Putrah	X
At-Large Member/ Deb Howell	---
At-Large Member/ Tim Murray	6:15
At-Large Member/Dede VonRuden	---

VISITORS:

No visitors were present at the meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Rena Petersen presented the Treasurer's Report. The balances are: Wells Fargo (Checking) - \$32,289.44; Wells Fargo (Savings) \$5,254.98; 1st United Bank (Savings) - \$000.00; Thornburg Term - \$13,414.12; AMCAP - \$11,854.92; Euro Pacific Growth - \$17,128.41; Washington Mutual - \$12,892.21; State Bank of Faribault (CD) - \$12,190.14; 1st United Bank (Checking/Pull Tabs) \$12,467.46; State Bank of Faribault (Checking/Calendar Fundraiser) - \$329.30; State Bank of Faribault (Checking/Gambling) - \$3,463.66; for a total of \$121,284.64.

Motion by Fritz, seconded by Teske, carried 14-0, to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented.

LAST MONTH'S MEETING MINUTES:

The minutes from the May 7, 2007 meeting were presented for approval. No changes were recommended.

Motion by Putrah, seconded by Vos, carried 14-0, to approve the minutes of May 7, 2007, as presented.

LAST MONTH'S MEETING MINUTES:

The minutes from the June 4, 2007 meeting were presented for approval. No changes were recommended.

Motion by Salmonsens, seconded by Vos, carried 14-0, to approve the minutes of June 4, 2007, as presented.

ICE SCHEDULING/SCHEDULING SOFTWARE:

Discussion was held regarding using Wednesday evenings and Sunday mornings for practices. It was decided we would take these times for certain teams. Melanie Teske will work on scheduling specific teams for these time slots.

Melanie Teske also brought a proposal to the board regarding a program called Schedule Works. It works with puck systems and updates the website automatically with ice changes, open ice and sends out emails to teams. The cost runs around \$420/year. Melanie will talk with other teams who have used it to see if they have found it beneficial.

Motion by Lipinski, seconded by Burkhartzmeyer, carried 13-1, to purchase Schedule Works for one year, at a cost of \$420.00. Roll call vote: Nay: Fritz.

2007/2008 BUDGET:

Each committee presented its expected revenues and expenses for the upcoming year. The finance committee will take these numbers and come up with a budget for the 2007/2008 season.

LEAGUE REP REPORT:

Jason Johannsen reported that he did not attend the meeting held on June 25th in Mankato. He did report that interleague play would be implemented this year. He also reported that it was suggested that all U12 teams skate at the A level. Discussion was held relative to this issue and it was decided that our U12 team would not be competitive at that level.

Upcoming meetings are as follows: August 16th Registrars meeting ASA in Mankato at 7:00p.m.
September 18th Tournament Directors meeting ASA in Mankato time tbd.

The next League meeting is currently scheduled for: September 27th, 2007 at 7:00p.m. in New Ulm.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- * *Finance/Budget*—Renae Petersen will check to make sure the annual business registration was completed. The treasurer is now able to sign checks.
- * *Tournaments*—Tournament fees were increased for each level by \$50.00. New fees are as follows: Girls-Squirts \$500 Peewees \$525.
- * *Coaches*—Nothing additional to report at this time.
- * *Equipment*—Kent Wierschem reported the jerseys are in need of being inventoried.
- * *Fundraising/Team Sponsors*—Kim Burkhartzmeyer reported she was able to purchase a new camera for the association. It was also reported that the Heritage parade went well. Deb Seitz ran the event and \$300 was donated to the association for our efforts. Connie Fritz reported that the team sponsor letters had been sent out. The only one remaining was for the girls U14 team which did not have a sponsor last year.
- * *Volunteers*—Renae Petersen reported she is still collecting on some returned checks, otherwise all collections are done for the previous year.
- * *Concessions*—Steve Lipinski reported that this committee will discuss the football/pepsi contract and come back with a proposal at a later meeting.
- * *Membership/Recruitment*—Discussion was held regarding fees for the upcoming season. It was decided all fees will remain the same as last year with the exception of the USA/MN Hockey fee for Goalies. This year they will be required to pay their fee. A change has also been made to the new player fee. First year new players squirt age and below and girls U10 and below will be charged a \$50.00 player fee. All first time Peewee, Bantams, U12 or U14 girls will pay regular priced player fees.

Discussion was also held regarding scholarships. It was decided to budget up to \$3000.00 for scholarships this year.

Jason Johannsen brought a proposal to the board to try online registration for the 2007/2008 hockey season.

Motion by Petersen, seconded by Burkhartzmeyer, carried 15-0, to approve online registration for the 2007/2008 season.

- * *Charitable Gambling*- Rick Caron presented the Monthly Gambling Report to the members.

June Gambling Expenses:

Gambling Manager Wages and other expenses as described in the LG1004 Monthly Gambling Report to Members dated July 9, 2007.

Motion by Salmonsén, seconded by Murray, carried 14-0, to approve the Gambling Report as presented by the Gambling Manager.

(The Gambling Report is a separate document, and available upon request.)

ICE ARENA BOARD INFO./UPDATE:

Steve Lipinski reported there has been no formal meeting since our last board meeting. He did report that the bleachers should be in by the end of July and that the elevator should be in sometime in August.

The next Ice Arena Board meeting is scheduled for: (No date has been set at this time.)

GOLF TOURNAMENT:

Rick Caron reported that the committee has another meeting on Monday the 16th of July at 7:00pm at the FG&CC. The Celebrity hockey game the Thursday before the golf tournament is going to happen. There are 30 players lined up. The game will be played at Shattuck. Admission for the game will profit the FHA. The Blue Line Club will be responsible for the concession stand that evening and will receive all the profits from it. The golf tournament is full.

Motion by Putrah, seconded by Wierschem, carried 14-0, to approve giving the Blue Line Club any profit from the FHA Golf Tournament fundraiser above \$16,000, up to \$18,000; and that the two entities would split 50/50 anything above the \$18,000 figure of profit. This is a one-year proposal and would need to be re-approved for the future.

FHA THINGS-TO-DO LIST:

The Board went through the "FHA Things-To-Do-List" as a group. It appears we are on schedule with the items on the list. Registration date was set at September 12, 2007.

(Tim Putrah excused himself from the remainder of the meeting.)

(Tim Murray excused himself from the remainder of the meeting.)

MISCELLANEOUS (Follow-up of Last Month's Misc. Items):

Discussion was held regarding moving meetings to the second Monday of every month.

Motion by Caron, seconded by Teske, carried 12-0, to move monthly meetings to the second Monday of every month.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Rick Caron brought a proposal to the board to help pay for Josh Solem's hotel expenses for a St. Louis Blue's Coaches Camp he will be attending in the near future. The Blue Line Club will be paying for some of his expenses and Rick is proposing the FHA contribute \$200.00 to assist with his expenses.

Motion by Caron, seconded by Lipinski, carried 11-0 on roll call vote, to contribute \$200.00 toward Josh Solem's expenses at the St. Louis Blue's Coaches Camp. Roll call vote: Aye: Caron, Wierschem, Vos, Marquardt, Johannsen, K. Murray, Burkhartzmeyer, Salmonsens, Petersen, Fritz, and Lipinski. Abstain: Schmitz and Teske.

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting is scheduled for: **Monday, August 13, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. in the Conference Room at the Faribault Ice Arena.**

ADJOURN:

Motion by Teske, seconded by Wierschem, carried 12-0, to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:10p.m.