

# FARIBAULT HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

## MEETING MINUTES -- August 13, 2007

### ROLL CALL:

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

Rick Bauer	X	Troy Marquardt	6:15	Kim Burkhartzmeyer	---
Connie Fritz	X	Kelly Murray	X	Melanie Teske	X
Renae Petersen	6:10	Randy Vos	X	Deb Salmonsens	6:15
Jason Johannsen	---	Rick Schmitz	8:30	Kent Wierschem	---
Steve Lipinski	6:10				

Board Members At-Large:

H.S. Boys Coach / Josh Solem	X
H.S. Girls Coach / Steve Gravgaard	X
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	X
At-Large Member/Dede VonRuden	---

### VISITORS:

Three visitors were present at the meeting. The first visitor to speak was Jeff LaPanta, one of the Mini Mite coaches from last year. Jeff brought a proposal to the board to purchase some equipment to help assist in coaching the Mini Mites for the upcoming season. He would like to purchase 4 nets at about \$109/net, puji pucks, 1 or 2 of these at around \$30/puck and a dozen or so smaller size cones. The proposal was heard by the board and Tim Putrah advised Jeff that they would take his proposal to a coaches committee meeting and get back to him once they made a decision on the purchases. Jeff LaPanta thanked the board for listening and left the meeting.

The second visitor to speak was Steve Gravgaard, the Girls High School Hockey Coach. Steve wanted to inform the board that he has only 8 returning skaters for next year. Six forwards and two defense, the goalie is ineligible this year. This means he will need to take 5-6 girls from the U14 team to play Varsity. Discussion was held on this issue, and it was decided that, Rick Bauer, Deb Salmonsens, Jeff Salmonsens and Steve Gravgaard would look into this issue prior to the season starting to see if we will have enough girls to field a U14 team.

Steve excused himself from the remainder of the meeting.

The third visitor to speak was Josh Solem, the Boys High School Hockey Coach. First off, Josh wanted to thank the board for donating funds to help pay for some of his training for his level 5 certification and for attending the St. Louis Blues coaches camp held by Andy Murray. He also expressed interest in helping with the coaches committee and stated his willingness to attend their meetings. He has been working with Will Fisch to bring level one and two coaches clinics to Faribault and Owatonna for the upcoming year. It should be possible for coaches to receive their levels one and two certifications back to back this year. Josh also discussed with the board some of the struggles he is having with his hockey camp. Some suggestions were provided and he will take these into consideration for next year. Finally, discussion was held relative to the two new locker rooms in the arena and whether or not they are specifically for the use of the boys and girls varsity teams. There seems to be some misunderstanding on this issue. It was decided that the association and the High School would need to come to an agreement on the issue. Tim Putrah and Josh Solem will work out the details on this issue.

Josh Solem excused himself from the remainder of the meeting.

### TREASURER'S REPORT:

Renaе Petersen presented the Treasurer's Report. The balances are: State Bank of Faribault (Checking) - \$14,720.00; Wells Fargo (Checking) - \$31,290.01; Wells Fargo (Savings) \$5,254.98; 1<sup>st</sup> 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; 1<sup>st</sup> 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 \$135,005.21.

**The Treasurer's report will be approved at the next meeting. There were some questions remaining on the budget.**

### LAST MONTH'S MEETING MINUTES:

The minutes from the July 9, 2007 meeting were presented for approval. No changes were recommended.

**Motion by Salmonson, seconded by Marquardt, carried 12-0, to approve the minutes of July 9, 2007, as presented.**

### POINT STREAK SCORING (CARON):

Discussion was held relative to this issue. For \$10,000 for the district, each association would pay a certain amount, score sheets would be kept track of electronically. It would also track goals, assists, saves, etc. There would be no need to mail each score sheet in at the end of each game. This was suggested by the sellers of the system and is only a discussion for feedback at this point.

### ICE USERS AGREEMENT (MURRAY)

Discussion was held relative to the agreement. Two changes already made to the agreement were an hourly increase of \$5 for ice time, and removal of the fee for the concession stand. After several minutes of discussion, it was decided that Tim Murray would take the agreement back to the FIAA with the following change to letter D number 1. The FHA is hereby granted exclusive rights to operate the concession stand at the arena for all activities.

Tim Murray also distributed a copy of the agreement signed with the Pepsi Company of Mankato. After further discussion about beverages in the arena, it was decided that Steve Lipinski will check on getting fountain pop from Pepsi and we will discuss it at an upcoming board meeting.

### LEAGUE REP REPORT:

Jason Johannsen was not present at the meeting, but there has not been a league meeting since our last board meeting.

Upcoming meetings are as follows: August 16<sup>th</sup> Registrars meeting ASA in Mankato at 7:00p.m.  
September 18<sup>th</sup> Tournament Directors meeting ASA in Mankato 7-8:30p.m.

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

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

\* *Finance/Budget*—Renaе Petersen received the bill for the season tickets for the Southern Minnesota Express. In the past we have purchased 4 tickets.

**Motion by Teske, seconded by K. Murray, carried 12-0, to purchase 4 season tickets to the Southern Minnesota Express Hockey Team for the 2007-2008 season.**

Discussion was then held regarding the fundraiser we have participated in the following two years for the Southern Minnesota Express by purchasing 400 tickets for various games for the 2007-2008 hockey season. The tickets are \$5 a piece.

#### Motion by

**T. Murry, seconded by Bauer, carried, 12-0 to purchase 400 tickets @ \$5/ticket for the 2007-2008 season. Each player, manager, coach and asst. coach will receive a free ticket to the game; there will be other tickets available for purchase for other family members and parents.**

Along with access to the game on a "Team Night" there will be a locker room tour, and a scoreboard and PA welcome to the game. All teams will have group seating when arranged ahead of time. Troy Marquardt has volunteered to coordinate this so that every team will have a Team Night with the Southern Minnesota Express this season.

Renae also brought up a concern regarding the internet bill. Payment of the bill is pended until it can be discussed with the FIAA since they are the only one's using the internet in the off season.

- \* *Tournaments*—Troy Marquardt stated that the website still needs some updating regarding tournament information. He will discuss this issue with Jason Johannsen.
- \* *Coaches*—Tim Putrah reported that there will be a committee meeting at 7pm at Bashers on the 14<sup>th</sup> of August. Also, the first official coaches meeting will be August 21<sup>st</sup>, place tbd.
- \* *Equipment*—Rick Bauer reported that he will be doing an inventory of the equipment in the next week. It is possible we may need another set of jerseys. A day for sorting the equipment will be set up and Rick will e-mail out the date if anyone is interested in helping.
- \* *Fundraising/Team Sponsors*—Connie Fritz reported that she has some of the team sponsor checks in. They are as follows: Bantam B-Exteriors Plus Midwest, Inc. for \$1500; Peewee B-King Orthodontics for \$1500; Peewee B-1<sup>st</sup> United Bank for \$1300; Squirt B-State Bank of Faribault for \$1200; Squirt C-Harry Brown's for \$1200; Mite Green-Faribault Foods for \$750; Girls U12-King Orthodontics for \$1500; and Girls U8-Nelson's for \$325.
- \* *Volunteers*—Melanie Teske reported there is a new volunteer policy in effect this year. There will be no pre-paying for hours this year. You still have the option to buy out your volunteer hours for \$200. New this year, if you do not work your scheduled shift, you will receive a no show bill and have 2 weeks to pay it, if after 2 weeks, you have not done so, your skater will not be allowed to play until the commitment is taken care of.
- \* *Concessions*—Steve Lipinski reported that he will do some checking with BA prior to the football season to see if they would prefer the FHA to stock the concession stand.
- \* *Membership/Recruitment*—Jason Johannsen was absent from the meeting but is working on on-line registration. New this year, there will be informational meetings for first time parents to the association on registration night.
- \* *Charitable Gambling*- Rick Caron presented the Monthly Gambling Report to the members. Rick is in the process of completing the audit with JOD now. Rick also reported that there is no longer any bar bingo at Cloud 9.

#### **June Gambling Expenses:**

Gambling Manager Wages and other expenses as described in the LG1004 Monthly Gambling Report to Members dated August 13, 2007.

#### **Motion by Salmonsens, seconded by Teske, carried 13-0, 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:**

Tim Murray attended the meeting on July 18, 2007 and reported the following: 1) Discussion was held that the FHA would be looking to pick up additional ice time on Wednesday evenings and Sunday mornings; 2) 2 scoreboards will be purchased which will be wireless and will tell shots on goal and give the players # next to the penalty time; 3) Ice should be ready to use as of Monday October 1, 2007 per the request of the FHA; and 4) the arena, once the addition is complete needs to be re-keyed and acceptable uses of non-ice areas of the building need to be defined.

The next Ice Arena Board meeting is scheduled for: September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2007 at 7:00p.m. at the Faribault Ice Arena.

#### **GOLF TOURNAMENT:**

Rick Caron reported that there were approximately 650 tickets sold for the hockey game. There were around 168 golfers and turnout was good. Profit should turn out to be around \$24,000.

#### **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. Wreath brochures need to be ordered from the vendor; Deb Salmonsens has volunteered to take care of this item.

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

None

#### **MISCELLANEOUS:**

Kelly Murray will compile bids for liability insurance and bring them to a future board meeting.

**NEXT MEETING:**

The next meeting is scheduled for: **Monday, September 10, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. in the Conference Room at the Faribault Ice Arena.**

**ADJOURN:**

**Motion by Fritz, seconded by Vos, carried 12-0, to adjourn the meeting.**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05p.m.