

**Casper Amateur Hockey  
Board of Directors Meeting**

**Thursday, November 7, 2013**

**Casper Ice Arena**

*Attendance: Angie Donelan, Darin Myers, Diane Burg, James Ewald, Jim Wetzal, Jolene Whitley, Kevin Whitman, Mike Thomas, Stephanie Means, Ti Brooks*

*Guests: Erick Marvel*

**Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 6:33pm

**Approval of October Minutes:** *Mike Thomas made a motion to accept the Oct. minutes with corrections, Angie Donelan seconded the motion, and it passed.*

**I. President's Report:**

1. **Men's tournament (Eric Marvel):** The Bill Ryan Men's tournament will be on Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup> and there are 6 teams committed and possibly 2 more. The organizers of this tournament would like to have Bantam/Midget players run the clock, scoreboard and penalty boxes for the games. The men's league would make a donation to those kids to help pay for team related items or a credit on their hockey fee's. Eric provided a short review of last year's tournament: it made about \$2,900, they kept \$1,000 to help cover cost for this years tournament, the rest went into a scholarship fund. There might be a second scholarship given this year once the figures are settled.

Marvin Rone made a motion to use funds from the Bill Ryan tournament to credit Bantam & Midget players accounts who assist with the tournament (\$10 per child) Angie seconded the motion, and it passed.

2. **WAHL state bids:** It was reported that Casper will host the Midget A state tournament. Midget B will be in Cody, Bantam A -Gillette, Bantam B- Laramie, Pee wee- Cheyenne

3. **Friday morning ice:** Currently only the girl's team is using the ice time on Friday mornings. It was suggested that James Bargett and the U16 team might be interested in using some of the Friday morning ice time. However, currently that team does not have any tournaments scheduled.

4. **Overview of Silverstick situations for those not at special meeting:** Silver Stick organizers will not allow skaters to paly on Team Wyoming & Casper. Skaters must skate at the higher level, if their names are on 2 rosters.

5. **Safe sport certificates:** If you have completed this, please send an email to James Ewald or Jolene.

6. **Money for Travel tournament hospitality:** Last season there was a discussion held about hospitality rooms and CAHC making a donation to the hosting teams for supplies, but a decision was never finalized.

*Kevin Whitman made a motion to reimburse up to \$150 for hospitality supplies for travel tournaments ONLY. Angie Donelan seconded the motion and it passed.*

7. **Board member resignation:** Tonya resigned from the board and according to bylaws the current president has the right to appoint a new member to fill in the

rest of the departed. Several names were discussed; Jolene will email the board when she makes a decision.

8. **Midget B Player:** The board was approached by the Midget B coaches regarding one of their players who was involved in a fight at school. The coaches would like to suspend the player for one game. The board supports the coach's decision.

9. **New Squirt Player:** CAHC has a new squirt player from Rapid City recently. There have been several emails between the president and the parents. Dad already paid \$300 of the ice fee's, but there was a miscommunication somewhere and the ice fees should have been \$375. There was a discussion held about charging the additional \$75 or accepting the \$300 as full payment.

*Ti Brooks made a motion to accept the \$300 and consider this skaters account as paid in full. Marvin Rone 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, it passed*

10. **Returning Casper Goalie:** A former CAHC goalie that had moved away recently returned to the Casper area, but is playing in Douglas. This midget goalie would like to play for the Midget A team on tournament's as the back up" goalie (non WAHL) The conciseness of the board is let this player know they are welcome to play in Casper, but they would have to follow the Casper First policy and pay ALL fee's in order to play here.

II. **Treasurer's Report:** Stephanie Means reported that the City Council did approve our In-Kind Ice again this year, and we should actually see an increase in those funds. We are just waiting for the official letter. It was also reported that CAHC has all documents, files etc from the former bookkeeper and she is getting items organized. The treasurer was able to print several reports that were not accessible previously. All travel & WAHL fees have been assessed and statements have gone out. It was also reported that CAHC received \$3000 from the convention bureau, but we MUST have the convention logo in ALL programs.

### III. Standing Committee Reports:

A. **Finance:** It was reported that fee's have been assessed and statements have been mailed. There are still 8 outstanding sponsors, several are waiting for an official letter from CAHC and then they can pay the statement. There have been some banners that have been taken down because they are no longer sponsors, and there are 4-5 new sponsors in the works. There was a discussion held on what type of compensation should be given to our former bookkeeper for her service.

*Marvin Rone made a motion to get her a \$250 payment and a Thank you gift for her years of service. Angie Donelan seconded the motion and it passed.*

B. **Scholarship:** Nothing to report

C. **Coaching:** It was reported that med kits have been distributed to teams, the only exceptions are the 2<sup>nd</sup> squirt team and Midget A. James Ewald and Debi Collins are handling background checks. They are working together on getting the process organized, who has been cleared and who has to have

one done. There is a fee for having a background check done there was some discussion on if & how the board could reimburse those costs.

*Jim Wetzel made a motion that credit would be applied to skaters accounts for those board members, coaches, team managers etc., who are required to have a background check and reimbursement checks issues to non parent volunteers for background checks. Marvin Rone seconded the motion and it passed.*

It was reported that we could lose 2 coaches at the mite level. These coaches did not get their level 1 coaching certification done at the clinics offered earlier this fall. James Ewald is working on getting another clinic scheduled, but is having a hard time with WAHA; more info will follow as it becomes available. It was also reported the James is working on the peewee/bantam house games schedule. There may be changes after the Christmas break. There was also a discussion on how to get goalies more ice time to develop their skills.

*Jim Wetzel made a motion that half the ice from the U8 (5:15-6:15 on ? ) be used for the goaltenders. Darin Myers seconded the motion and it passed.*

- D. **Discipline:** There was some confusion regarding WAHL, penalties and player suspensions from a situation in Laramie. WAHL does look at Pointstreak and that situation has been cleared up. A letter of discipline was written to a midget player regarding the use of tobacco and another midget for a game misconduct. There is some concern about midget players who are 18 using tobacco and is it a violation of CAHC drug policy. This is being given to the policy/by law committee to look at.
- E. **Bylaws/Policies:** This committee was asked to look at the 1<sup>st</sup> year skater policy (what does 1<sup>st</sup> year skater mean... 1<sup>st</sup> year ever or 1<sup>st</sup> year in CAHC) , the tobacco policy and the Casper 1<sup>st</sup> loop hole.
- F. **Scheduling and Special Events:** It was reported that the raffle tickets will be printed by next weekend so they can be sold at WAHL weekends.
- G. **Member Relations:** Parent meetings went well, the committee was able to clarify several issues about travel and how it works. There were not many squirt parents at the scheduled meeting but the U8 meeting has a better turnout.
- H. **Communications:** We would like to start using the website to get more information out to our members such as: hotel info for travel weekends, basic changes of times etc. the concern is retraining team managers to send info to committee in a timely manor so it can be given to the webmaster.
- I. **Advertising:** There is a high level of interest in doing a U\*/fire fighter game and a NC vs. KW game again this year. Looking at organizing it around Easter along with a food drive again. More info to follow at monthly meetings.

- IV. **Goalkeepers:** It was reported that wreaths will be delivered on Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>, volunteers are needed to help unload and count them. Checkout will be Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-7pm in the same warehouse as last year. New

jerseys are in and will be distributed to the bantams. Waiting for new apparel items from Bushwells and mini sticks and soft pucks have been purchased for printing.

- V. **Referee-in-Chief:** Roger was not in attendance, but there is a concern that the scheduling of refs is not going any smoother this year. Jolene is going to look into other options because the current system is not working,
- VI. **Registration:** New squirt player – This is covered in the Presidents report, item 9.
- VII. **Unfinished Business:** Midget/Bantam boot camp has been postponed for right now. It will be readdressed if/when it is able to move forward.
- VIII. **New Business:** Last year CAHC had Goalie holiday camp, there was a discussion held on hosting another camp this year.  
*Ti Brooks made a motion to hold a goalie camp over the Christmas break. Mike Thomas seconded the motion and it passed.*

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 9:37 pm. Next meeting is Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 in the skybox.