



Mustang Hockey Association

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General Membership Board of Directors Meeting Minutes April 09, 2014

In Attendance:

Mike Laflamme
Venessa Brazfield
Rachael Hill
Tami Yockey
Arlen Ayojiak
Val LeMaire
Karl Greninger
Beth Vetterman

Michelle Moore
Doug Paxson
Debbie Rinckey
Bill Lierman
Erin Connolly
Timo Saarinen
Gina Staheli
Sara McCormick

Becky Beckett
Jennifer Kerr
Timeri Noren (Momblow)
Joey Merrick
Iain Connolly
Justin Klein
Paul Kerr
Andrea James

Meeting Call to Order 8:00 PM

Meeting Location: McDonald Center Community Room

Approval of the Agenda – Motion to approve with the addition of action item, Referee Fees for Mac Attack. Motion Michelle/Jennifer, approved.

Approval of the March 12, 2014 Minutes – Motion to approve as presented. Motion Rachael/Venessa, approved.

Approval of the Treasurer's Report – Not presented

Items for Discussion:

- Mac Attack Update (ML) – Total of 37 teams and over 400 players over the three weekends.
- Mac Attack Committee for 2015 (ML) – Would like to see this set up in September so that we can fully utilize this event as a fundraiser/community building event.
- Comp Tryout Dates – August 1st, 2nd and 3rd at UAA (ML) – There should be times for the Bantams. There was a previous email from Melanie that leads to the idea that there are four sheets for each day. The correct and complete times for all divisions will be put up on the website once we can get confirmation from Melanie.

● Friday August 1st – 5:00 PM Squirts, 6:15 PM PeeWees and 7:30 PM U16

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- Saturday August 2nd – 10:00 AM Squirts, 11:15 AM PeeWees and 12:30 PM U16
- Sunday August 3rd – 10:00 AM Squirts (major team named), 11:15 AM PeeWees (major team named), 12:30 PM U16, 1:45 PM Squirts (minor team named), 3:00 PM Pee Wee (minor team named)
- House Evaluation Dates – September 6th and 7th.
- On-Line Registration will open on August 1, 2014 for house players.
- On-Line Registration for comp players still needs to be decided. – Once the online registration is open it will be open for both house and comp.
- Hard Ice Dividers (ML) Update – Our dividers are estimated for delivery date of early May, we still need to work storage ideas for these.
- End of Season Summary (DR) – Tabled
- Handbook Committee (ML) – Need to set a date for first review. Following is a partial list of proposed changes that are still be discussed and voted on. These are general ideas and still need better verbiage and detail. – Date for first meeting will be Wednesday April 16, 2014 at 7:30, Pizza Man in Eagle River.
 - State that if a player misses practice for a school event that they should not be penalized.
 - Work on a coaching contract that details responsibilities and stipends.
 - Travel expenses for coaching staff: what expenses and how many.
 - Comp team players should have their final bill paid before state.
 - Detailed list of what comp coaches need to discuss with their parents right after tryouts.
 - Detailed list of what house coaches need to discuss with their parents at beginning of season.
 - Adding responsibility to Coach Coordinator, possibly House and/or Comp Coordinator, to attend a number of practices for all teams and taking notes, approach parents and get feedback to better facilitate the programs.
 - Taking a look at the payment system and refund policy.
 - Create a new section of the handbook to describe U8 division. i.e. evaluation, level explanations, rules of moving kids up and/or down, etc.
 - Clear definition of the difference between comp and house (Jennifer Ludwig)
- Dryland Charges (RB) – Becky would like to see MHA put some sort of stipulation into effect. This would make it so that if a coach is a part of the dryland training and getting paid for

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it that they cannot make dryland mandatory for their team and have them pay for that as well. This type of setup can be considered double dipping.

- Comp Jerseys to be done by Comp (RB) – One point of contact to the vendor. Becky stated that it took five months to get the comp jerseys this year. The Comp coordinators need to be the single point of contact, Managers and coaches should not be contacting the vendors.

- Outdoor Permits (RB) – Do we want to continue to do these? Gruening now wants to charge us for lights. Alpenglow and Ravenwood does have volunteers that maintain the ice. Becky states that it may not be worth the money anymore. This too then would become a handbook item if we go away from keeping the outdoor ice.

- Girls Recreational Jamboree (RS) - The U19LM's won the Girls Recreational Jamboree (aka State Tournament) The U12 LM's lost in the cross overs, but had a great showing.

- Girls U19 LM Team (RS) – Suggest we plan on fielding a U19 team next season. Does not look promising for supporting a younger team as most of these players are skating on coed teams currently.

- Alaska Cache – Free Ad can be placed for the association every month. Can be done as early as the May issue. We would need to define what each month should advertise. (RH) – May will be a thank you to the sponsors and coaches. Need information in by the 10th of the previous month to print.

- Fred Meyer Community Rewards - Michelle pulled this from the web: - Debbie will take the lead on getting the application and then we will begin to advertise the program.

Support your favorite nonprofit just by shopping at Fred Meyer with your Rewards Card. We're donating \$2.5 million each year - up to \$625,000 each quarter - to the local schools, community organizations and nonprofits of your choice. All you have to do is link your Rewards Card and use it when you shop at Fred Meyer. Whenever you use your Rewards Card when shopping at Freddy's, you will be helping that organization earn a donation from Fred Meyer

Are you a nonprofit? Your organization could earn a quarterly donation by enrolling in Community Rewards. Nonprofits can sign up now. And tell your supporters: your donation is related to how many customers select your organization and how much they shop.

- Referee Fees for the Mac Attack – There was a miscommunication with the rate at which the referees were to be paid. The difference amounted to a \$915 overage for both weekends for five individuals. The motion was made to not ask for the return of the overage from the referees. Motion Venessa/Jennifer. 3 Yea, 2 Abstain. Motion passes.

- Winner of free registration is Paul Kerr

- Coaches for the season 2014-2015 as of this meeting:

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U16 – Travis Martin and Justin Martin

Bantam B – Pete Macaney ?

Pee Wee Major – Reid McDonald

Pee Wee Minor – Jon Garner

Squirt Major – Brian Swanson

Squirt Minor – Bill Lierman

Mites /U8 – Pete Harrison, Walt Eunice, Eric Runyan, Ryan McCormick, John McCormick, Bill Lierman, Ryan Orebaugh, Karl Greninger, Timo Saarinen, Carl Hanson, Rob Sackerson, Chris Beatty, Todd Dudinsky, Chris Dennison

Next Meeting:

- Mustangs Hockey Association –

May 14	June 11	July 09	August 13
September 10	October 08	November 12	December 10
January 07	February 11	March 11	April 08
- ASHA Meeting – April 26, 2014

Executive Session

Adjournment – 8:43 PM

Board Members

President - Mike Laflamme (ML)
Vice President – Jesse James (JJ)
Secretary – Michelle Moore (MM)
Treasurer –
House Program Director – Venessa Brazfield (VB)
Comp Program Director – Rebecca “Becky” Beckett (RB)
Volunteer Coordinator – Jennifer Kerr (JK)
Public Relations – Rachael Hill (RH)
Coach Coordinator – Doug Paxson (DP)
Girls’ Coordinator – Randall Sperry (RS)
Player Development – Brian Swanson (BS)
Office Manager/Registrar – Debbie Rinckey (DR)