



Apple Valley Hockey Association
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
April 16, 2008



Meeting called to order at 7:02 by President Everson

Board Members Present:

Tim Everson, Annette Opseth, Mishelle Toavs, Greg Ess, Randy Olson, Judy Goodman, Peter Daly, Elly Soukey, Doug Galloway, Dave Daggett, Anne Murphy, Kent Keckeisen, Robert Hochsprung

Board Members Absent (voting & non-voting): none

Kim Wengenroth, Jennings Hill, Chris Slater, Kevin Wartick, Jerry Hayes

Secretary's Report - Opseth:

- Approve meeting minutes for March
Motion by: Goodman 2nd by: Toavs Result: Passed

Player Development Report – Hayes:

- Season Review:
 - In the process of evaluating last year; meeting with the PDC committee, evaluating what worked well and what do we need to change to improve next year.
 - Some of the weaknesses identified include:
 - A failure to effectively communicate the design of a practice especially shared practices.
 - The ineffectiveness of fully integrating the goaltender curriculum.
 - The Squirt program and its false start and also the issues that arose surrounding the Squirt C program.
 - Some of the strengths include:
 - The amount of ice that was used especially the use of outdoor ice. Big thanks to Stacy.
 - The coaches appreciated the role that we played and sensed a "coming together" of the association.
 - Overall skill development of the players. We saw marked improvement with our teams. The successes of many of our teams within not only the district but also at out of district tournaments. Lots of hardware came back to Apple Valley.
- 2008-09 Preview:
 - 3rd grade question as it relates to the Squirt C program and the Mite program. There is consideration being given to looking at the "Advanced Mites" model for our 3rd grade players. This would be in place of a 3rd grade move-up to Squirt C's. I am currently contacting other associations to see what they are doing.
 - Squirt developmental season. Minnesota High School Coaches have recently made a proposal to Minnesota Hockey about creating a different type of timeline for the season. Creating a "developmental season" at the front end of youth hockey where you would spend September and October on skill development and not have tryouts until late October. This would give me an opportunity to pilot the program to get feedback for future inclusion.
- Summer Program. I am very concerned with the status of the summer program. The STP is run through Minnesota Hockey; it is not a private venture on my part. It is for AVHA as a part of my contract. Establishing a strong summer program benefits the winter program. Other associations offer similar programs at a higher cost and their participation numbers are much greater. This program benefits the entire association. I am very proud of this program and want it to succeed.
- I am coordinating with Tim (Everson) and Charlie Scanlon on the U14 team for next season. We want to get a head start to avoid the situation we had last year. if possible.

D6 Report – Galloway:

- No March meeting.

Gambling Report - Olson:

- Gambling is up 40% to last year!
- Approve the Gambling Report for
Motion by: Goodman 2nd by: Galloway Result: Passed
- Approve expenses up \$60,000 for the month of April
Motion by: Goodman 2nd by: Soukey Result: Passed

Treasure’s Report – Toavs:

- Ice bills were mailed this week with refunds.
- Approve the Treasurer’s Report
Motion by: Daly 2nd by: Olson Result: Passed

Old Business:

- Ice Contracts:
 - Burnsville 8hrs/wk starting November 1st
 - Richfield: We have asked for 100 additional hours at a minimum we are guaranteed what we had last year. We will know something on/by May 15th.
 - With the hours we have at AV, BV, Richfield and Haase we are at 1,090 hours. We can also get Sat/Sun hours at HDC (agreed we should do this).
 - Last year we had 1120 hours of which 60 were used for try outs.
 - Daly requested an additional two hours/wk for the Mites.
- Anne Murphy will work on updating the Member By Laws
- New website should be ready in early May.

New Business:

- Assigned level coordinators and filled open Board responsibilities. Please see Board Roles and Responsibilities for new assignments.
- Summer Puck Shooting Program – Dave Daggett will put together a proposed program to present at the May 14th meeting.
- Annette is creating a master calendar for the Board please send her any dates to include.
- Reminder there will be board meeting the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month from April – September.

Meeting Adjourned:

Motion by: Olson 2nd by: Galloway Result: Passed

Respectfully submitted by Annette Opseth