GVAHA BOARD MEETING MINUTES



February 19, 2019

7:00 pm- Griff's Georgetown

BOARD MEMBERS:

Present: Greg Raad, Cori Wilson, Jim Rozema, Audra Atkinson, Rebecca VanDenBerg, Kelli Sterley, Jack

Williams

Absent: Mike Hatkowski, Joel Breazealle

Quorum present?- Yes

Others Present – Karen Sobeck, Kim Krombeen, Tami Denboer, Ryan Kimball, Corey Sobeck, Stacey Brando

PROCEEDINGS:

Called to order by Greg Raad at 7:11pm

January Minutes Approved

OPEN COMMENTS- VISITORS DISCUSSION

Treasurer's Report - Audra Atkinson

Power skate ice bill has been paid and a coaches credit has been addressed.

255.00 rebate from highschool fanstand has been received.

Audra, Greg and Jack have been working through the 2020 fiscal year budget (starts in June). Specifically addressing fees for next year, analyzing ice fees from this current season and predicting the amount of teams for next year. This budget will be more detailed than past budgets have been. The association will be billed for all ice costs. We will attempt to include one tournament in the house fees (Adray). Any additional tournaments would be on an individual team basis. Greg and Audra will have a draft budget for the March for final board approval in April. This could open enrollment as early as May 1.

Learn to Skate/Play, U6-U8, Spring Clinic, 3-4 camps will all be run through the association. Learn to Skate and Play will still be funneled through Community Ed with a liaison on the board or hockey director.

VP Travel Report - Jim Rozema

Bantam A league season is complete.

Peewee AA team is in playoffs

Peewee A team has 2 playoff games to go.

VP House Report - Jim Rozema

Bantam House won Adray Silver Championship.

Squirt White won the Adray Bronze Championship.

Squirt Black won the Adray Gold Championship.

Jim has created a frequently asked questions document about house hockey. He will share the final at the March meeting for posting. This document will specifically address questions about the Adray tournament.

Year End Party – Jim will reach out to the hockey directors on if a coaches game has been scheduled. Discussions of having a year end meeting at that time. Discussions of Tim Hortons doing coffee and donuts and not doing pizza since BC pizza is no longer on site.

Hockey Director Report – Joel Breazealle/Jack Williams

Jack reviewed a new evaluation software application that can be used for player evaluations called Team Genius. The hockey directors can create the evaluation, it creates a code for the evaluation, the coaches can input in the results and it integrates with the player Team Snap profiles. It gives coaches an easy platform to enter results, gives hockey directors multiple different views (by team, player, age, etc). The platform allows for the grading of skills and also allows free form fields for coaches comments. Times or grades can be entered. The form has a timer integrated so it makes timed evaluations easy for coaches to do. Could be used for tryouts also. Also has contact information for the parents integrated so results and team invitations can be send directly from the application. Cost is 4.00 per player and are sold in 50 player packs. We currently have 187 players rostered.

Numbers are strong coming into the 19/20 season. Discussions of how many teams will be fielded at each level.

Karen brought up the structure of Spring hockey and different structures it may take. Per MAHA, spring tryouts must be the week of 3/25.

Fundraising Report - Kelli Sterley

Kelli polled each team on what type of fundraising they did. Pop can drives, 31 bag sales, Applebee's, flower sales, Dynamic Drinkware and wreaths.

Rebecca and Kelli are working on the sponsorship package. It will be ready no later than June.

Raffle Update – Thinking of timing it around June and January with a possible third. Georgetown Township board still needs to formally approved. The Rockford Rams organization does this. Kelli has been in contact with them to find out how they structure. Discussions of timing of ticket sales. Audra suggested giving tickets to be sold at jersey fitting.

Scheduling coaches meeting in July. Jack or Jim to establish date and will reach out to Vitales to see if they are interested in hosting again. In the past they have donated their room and give a percentage back.

I-Slides in September.

Howies Hockey Skate gards in November for Christmas gift.

Communications Report - Rebecca VanDenBerg

Sponsor plaques have been ordered. Discussions of what type of plaque or banner should be included in the sponsorship package moving forward. Mike is waiting to hear back from DP Fox on the dasherboard portion of the package. Originally we were not going to be able to include them in the package but DP Fox may now allow. Rebecca is exploring banner options if dasher boards are not approved.

Rebecca proposed a 60 association/40 team split and we will look for ways to offset some of the costs. The sponsorship packages typically pay for the printing of the yearbooks. The motion of a 60 association/40 team split on sponsorship packages was made, supported and approved.

Rebecca suggested that the rolling calendar monthly items be added to the agendas.

Rebecca to ask Mike about the stick and puck cards for the meeting. (Meeting follow up – Stick and Puck card will not be approved this year).

Rebecca suggested a snow day plan for the association. Scheduling stick and puck on days that multiple school districts are cancelled.

Rebecca advocated for doing applications for new board positions as opposed to nominations. We need to clarify what specific roles are available.

Rink Manager - Mike Hatkowski

MAHA Rep Report - Greg Raad

President Report - Greg Raad

Greg distributed a proposal about different roles for the board moving forward. Discussions about these roles being voting board members or committees under a member. Further discussions of succession of the President position.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:17pm

Next Meeting Scheduled for Tuesday, March 19, 2019 @ 7:00