

**Rosemount Area Hockey Association
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
July 11, 2007**

Meeting called to order by President Kearney at 7:07 pm.

Board Members Present: Matt Kearney, Tim Winters, Lalynd Anderson, Doug Ebner, Lynnae Weiland Paul Frank, Dallen Schnichels, Kevin Eiden, Kelly Sabo, John Cusack, Ken Dennis and Chris Newman.

Board Members Absent: Kip Kilen, Chris Gernentz, Kyle Gillett and Troy Crowell

Guests Present: Mike Capra (RAHA ice scheduler) and Lynn Sweetman (RYHB).

Secretary's Report: Board reviewed minutes from the June 6, 2007 meeting. Motion to accept– Schnichels, Seconded by Ebner-approved 9-0.

Consent Agenda: Item A. The sponsor partnership with Westwood sports, Motion to accept- Ebner, seconded by Anderson- approved 9-0. Item B. Registration and other fees for 2007-08, Motion to accept Ebner, seconded by Anderson- Approved 9-0.

Booster's Report: Warm ups will not be available for sale at Leprechaun Days, but will be at walk in registration. They will not be able to expand the booster tournament due to a lack of available ice time. Lynn asked about the Date for the traveling parents meeting (September 18th at 7pm), also she asked about the RAHA golf towels (she Will check with Kyle). The dates for the RYHB tournament are Dec. 7th-9th.

Boy's High School report: None.

Girl's High School report: None.

Arena Manager: None.

Ice Schedulers: Mike asked the dates for the Thanksgiving Tournament, he thinks there may be a conflict With the High School that weekend, (he will check the schedule and adjust accordingly).

Board Member Reports

* **Player Development:** None

* **Coaches Coordinator:** Kearney reported on behalf of Crowell: Ricky Saintey will not be returning as the Bantam A coach. The coaches committee is still interviewing candidates and will make final recommendations At the August board meeting.

* **Girls Report:** Lalynd reported that they are looking for non-parent coaches.

* **Operations:** Schinchels presented on behalf of Gillett- Are we interested in doing a raffle for a large item Like a 4 wheeler or motorcycle as a fundraiser? Gillett will talk about this at the August meeting.

* **Squirt Coordinator:** Working on lining up tournaments- the teams need to be spread out in different Tournaments, especially with 3 or 4 C teams we don't want them all in the same tournaments.

* **Initiation Program:** Cusack presented a new idea for mite evaluations (he will revise and present at the August meeting). Mini mites will start Oct 27th and 28th- Mites Nov. 3rd and 4th. Evaluations will be two weeks Later. We have the same spot as last year for the leprechaun day's booth, which we share with the boosters. Eastview and Apple Valley would like us to join their in house squirt C league, we would play against them But also play some tournaments and a reduced district 8 league schedule- more to come on this.

* **Treasurer:** Ebner handed out a preliminary budget for 2007/08, he looking for a different accountant For RAHA to use.

- * **Communications Coordinator:** Kelly shared the results of the jersey logo poll from the web site- the results were tainted (people voted multiple times). After a discussion the matter it was decided that the “new” logo and what will be on our jerseys are two separate issues. (see jersey committee update).
- * **Peewee coordinator:** Eiden is working tournaments for tall levels.
- * **Tournament/Equipment coordinator:** None.
- * **Bantam Coordinator/ Tryout committee:** Frank has the Bantam A team entered in the same tournaments as last year (Mankato, Midwest regional, and Duluth). The Bantam B team (Midwest regional, Brainerd and Alexandria). Still working on tournaments for the C team. Tryout committee notes, see new business.
- * **Registration Coordinators:** Workers will be needed for walk in registration (Danelle McGraw has volunteered to help with this). They are working on getting registration forms printed (need 150). There will be a notice in the Town pages along with the banner being hung from the roof of RCC. Lynnae asked for information from IP and Player Development for Irish Clinic registration.
It was suggested that we put an FAQ section on the web site for families that are new to RAHA or traveling Hockey. (Kearney will work with Lynnae on the content). The volunteer hour tracking system is close to being ready to be turned on.
Volunteer hour checks will be collected at the mandatory parents meeting(s) No skater will be allowed on the ice tryouts or the first practice (for non-tryout players) without the deposit being collected.
- * **Vice President:** Winters informed the board that the proposed re-districting was approved for a one-year trial. Rosemount will be in the Northern district with Woodbury, Cottage Grove, Hastings, South St.Paul, IGH, Eagan, West St.Paul, and Hastings. This will be for league play only; playoffs will include both the Northern Southern Divisions. There will a formal district wide Peewee B2 league this season. Regional tournament fees will be increasing.

NEW/OLD BUSINESS

Old Business- Jersey committee update: Newman updated the board on jerseys for 2007/08
A general discussion was held about the new jerseys and logo, it was decided that what is on our jerseys and the new RAHA logo should be two separate things. The new jerseys will say ‘Irish’ and ‘Rosemount’ similar to the last several years. Newman will have Westwood make samples to look at before giving them the okay to print them

New Business- Frank updated the board on tryouts. We have been approved by the City of Rosemount for 29 hours of ice time. The budget for this year will be \$10,000. Goalie evaluations- Proposals were received from, The Goalie Club (TGC), Staubers, and Steve Carroll’s Goalie School. The tryout committee reviewed each one and is recommending that we use TGC for this season’s Goalie evaluations. Some changes were made to the process- The scrimmage sessions being evaluated will be all of the mixed 4on4 sessions, and one of the 5on5 power on power sessions TGC will come to RCC and perform the skills evaluation in a two-hour back-to-back session. Goalies will be split into the two sessions and evaluated, this all translates into 9 sessions for the evaluators to attend. Frank made a motion to approve TGC and their proposal for 2007/08 Goalie Evaluations, It was seconded by Eiden- Approved 10-0.

The tryout committee also recommended that we use the same evaluator group as last year for traveling Player tryouts. Frank made a motion to use the same evaluators as last year, it was seconded by Eiden- Approved 10-0.

The board also discussed the tryout process for Peewee’s, It is possible that we will have a parent coach at the A level for this season, it was suggested that we go back to the ‘old’ tryout process (still in use for The Squirt level) to avoid any potential conflict. After a discussion on the matter the following was voted On-Option A. Use the current system. Option B. Use the ‘old’ system result – Option A (continued)

10 For- 2 Against- 1 abstain. * Note: Crowell vote was proxy to Winters. Kilen and Gernentz votes Was proxy to Kearney.

Announcements: Kearney reminded everyone that their Newsletter articles needed to be submitted. And also, to sign up for a time slot to work the booth at Leprechaun days. (Cusack passed around a Sign up sheet)

A motion to adjourn was made at 9:45pm by Schnichels, it was seconded by Dennis, approved-10-0.