

**Rosemount Area Hockey Association  
Board of Directors Meeting  
June 3, 2009 – 7:00 PM (RCC)**

**1. Meeting was called to order at 7:15 by Troy Crowell**

**Board Member Present:** Troy Crowell, Kris DuPuis, Scott French, Tim Rossini, Kelly Sabo, Jill Smith, Anne Thurston, Tim Winters, Pete Conlin, Jim Carlson, Tim Winters, Guy Dawson, Layln Anderson, Dean Schnichels, John Cusack, Ken Dennis,

**Board Members Absent:** Paul Frank, Jim Priebe,

**Board Liaisons Present:** Susan Carter, RYHB President; Doug Ebner RAHA Accountant; Mike Capra, Ice Scheduler (???), Mike Schultz, Ice Scheduler,

**2. Reports from Board Liaisons:**

**High School Coach/Tim Winters for Scott Macho:** The calendar for the High School STP program is not up to date on the website. Once the camp starts the new calendar will be in place. The PeeWee level is full with the Bantam roster is at 27 and the high school level has a wait list. Scott would like to see a tab on the RAHA website for the High School hockey information.

**Ice Scheduler/Mike Schultz** Looking for the dates for both the Thanksgiving Tournament and the Boosters Tournament. Smith gave Mike the dates for both tournaments. Mike also needs to know when the age group coordinators start filling tournaments so they know when the ice will be available at the arena. It was also reported that the ice rates will be staying the same but that The Pond rates will be slightly raised.

**Accountant /Doug Ebner:** Doug reported that the budget for the year came in very close to what we had anticipated. The Pull Tab fund raiser is contributing to a very large piece of money coming into the association. The Pull Tabs have their own line on the balance sheet and showed an amount of \$9,500 for the month of May. Overall, the Pull Tab fundraiser has been a big success!

**Gambling Manager/Pete Conlin:** Gambling is going well. We have doubled. It is continuing to grow and grow. There is some discussion about going outside of Rosemount for Pull Tabs but not sure if is worth it. The Pond would be one consideration for Pull Tabs once the grill is up and running. The committee will be working on how the money should be spent that is earned from the Pull Tabs and will be getting back to the board with a recommendation. Pete is still working on trying to get our “own IRISH Pull Tab game”.

**Booster/Susan Carter:** The Boosters would like to create more of an interest and participation within the Boosters by asking for 3 additional At-Large positions all being a 1 year term. The people in these positions will be credited with a full volunteer credit for one family of up to 10 hours. The positions are: Assistant Merchandise Coordinator, Special Events Liaison, and IP Liaison. The board

voted on these 3 additional positions and the motion was made by Jim Carlson and seconded by Ann Thurston. The Boosters are also trying to find more options for marketing the merchandise. One thought was to display some items at the Pull Tab stand at Carbone's. The Boosters are also losing sales because the merchandise needs to be ordered from Westwood Sports instead of having it available on hand. Jim Carlson would also like to have someone from Westwood at the IP meeting.

### 3. **Reports from Board Members & Committees**

**Player Development Tim Rossini:** Player development committee met with Acceleration South. The program looked really good but a little costly. There would be a cost of \$1,200 per team. It was decided that if a team wants to participate in the program, they can do it individually as a team. This will be discussed further in a coaches meeting. The committee is also looking at a proposal with another company for the Goalie clinic. They are also looking at different ways of handing the ice time for the goalie clinics. One change to the Irish clinic is there will not be any of the tryout drills included.

**Girls Coordinator Layln Anderson:** Looking at the possibility of combining Eastview and Rosemount.

**Website/Communication Ken Dennis:** See new old business

**Tournament Coordinator Jill Smith:** The tournaments have been Pre-Approved by Zach for both the Thanksgiving Tournament and the Booster Tournaments. The Thanksgiving Tournament will be a Bantam C and a PW B2 Tournament.

**Pee Wee Coordinator Guy Dawson:** Looking for feedback from last year's PeeWee teams which of the tournaments that they participated in did they like best and why. There will be an increase from 4 teams to either 5 or 6. Last year we had PWA, PWB1, PWB2 and a PWC team. Still working with the board on what other level will be included. Working on if we will be doing the Northern Tour again this year and if so, will start blocking rooms now. Will start registering for tournaments in July.

**Squirt Coordinator Dean Schnichels:** Starting to look at tournaments for squirts. There will be 6 squirt teams this year.

**Operations Manager Ann Thurston:** Ann met with SKB on getting a donation for the trust fund. Looking at receiving a donation of 7,500 to 10,000. Ann is working on what we as an association we can give back to SKB. They would like their name as a sponsor added on the back of the jerseys and/or on our website. They also would like to sponsor a traveling team. Really interested in getting their name out there.

There are some "at large positions for events" and Ann wanted to know how we can handle the events and volunteer hours. Crowell suggested that we put the events/hours on the website and let them volunteer for the event.

**Registration Kris DuPuis:** Getting the jersey and sock orders in. RAHA is ordering 1 full set for the additional PW team and one other miscellaneous set for either the Jr. Gold team or the Bantams. There is a minimum of 100 jerseys in an order for the discount pricing and we only need 92. It was decided to order the full 100 jerseys. There is a need for some smaller jerseys for the PW's. When ordering

the full set of jerseys, there will be some smaller sizes ordered to fill that need. Walk-in dates for Registrations are August and September.

**IP Jim Carlson:** Wanted to get input on having a pre or post party for the association. There was some conversation about having it at the end of the season and have all the teams since the beginning of the season seems to be a bit busy already. Currently the Mini mite's season ends around March 9<sup>th</sup>, Carlson suggested pushing back when the mini mites start so they can finish later. This would help in trying to get all the teams to finish around the same time. Another option was to extend the mini mite season.

**IP Kelly Sabo:** Sabo wanted to know if we are still going to host a jamboree. The answer was yes but not sure when. IP is keeping IP extra as it was a huge success and is splitting the ice time to ½ practice and ½ scrimmage.

**Coaches Coordinator John Cusack:** Nothing to report.

**VP Tim Winters:** We to a District meeting and they are still looking at the boundaries. They should know more after the June meeting. Winters also wanted to know what type of tournament should be hold for Districts.

#### **Old business:**

- Booster involvement???? (Troy do you want this in???)
- Injured player policy: Still waiting for the language to be done.
- At- large positions: Crowell would like to get a letter out to all the RAHA members regarding the positions available. The positions available are: Tournament Committee (3 needed), Fund Raising/Events Committee (3 needed), Team Picture Coordinator (2 needed), Volunteer Hour Tracking (1 needed), and Initiation Program (IP) Communications & Support (2 needed). Once Crowell gets feedback from all board members, he will have the communications sent out.
- Registration/Tryout Fees: Fees were discussed and they will stay the same as last year except there will be a change in the process of registering. Each player will need to register directly on the USA Hockey website and pay the registration fee directly to USA Hockey. The player will receive a registration code that is unique to the player. Once this process is complete, they will need to go on the RAHA website and finish the registration process. They will be asked for the USA Hockey registration code at this time. In the past, players only had to register with RAHA and RAHA would register the player with USA Hockey. This additional step is a change that USA Hockey implemented. The total overall fee will stay the same.

#### **New Business:**

- Events Planning:
  - Hockey Day is set for October 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>.
  - Leprechaun Days - RAHA will not be hosting a booth this year at the carnival. We will have a flyer to handout at the parade advertising when the tryouts are being held.
- RAHA Newsletter will be going out sometime in July. Each board member needs to contribute an article.

Motion adjourn – John Cusack

Motion seconded – Jim Carlson.