

# RYHB Meeting Minutes – July 8th, 2008

**Attendees:** Jen Berg, Lynn Sweetman, Anne Thurston, Kerri DuPuis, Susan Carter, Michelle Rambo, Tammy Polak, Lynnae Weiland

**Secretary's Report:** June minutes presented. Kerri motioned to approve, Lynn 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Revised June report presented: beginning balance 5/13/08 \$10,906.73, ending balance 6/10/08 \$13,615.55. Anne motioned to approve, Lynn 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Approved. July report presented: beginning balance 6/10/08 \$13,615.55, ending balance 7/8/08 \$11,867.54. Anne motioned to approve, Lynn 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Approved.

**Leprechaun Days:** Anne reported that the RAHA float will be #18 in the parade. It was decided that because of the increase in the cost of helium, we will rent a tank from Crown Rental rather than purchasing a whole tank. Crown charges \$110 for whole tank, then they credit you back for ¼ tanks not used (minimum fee \$27.50). A whole tank will fill 300 to 400 balloons, either foil or latex (same amount needed for either kind). We agreed to purchase 20 blue and 20 green foil balloons through Mayflower at about \$1.00 each. We will also buy one additional large cooler- at Sam's for \$65. Kerri will pick up the cooler and two cases of water for the people walking/blading for our float. Paul Henderson works for General Mills and has offered to bring us dry ice to keep the freeze pops cold. Jen and Matt Berg can get the freeze pops from the arena and get them to the float. Can we make up some kind of simple flyer to hand out about registration? Can we get signs made up to hang on the float advertising registration? Concerns over cost of having banners made. Tim Winters and Winco/Windscapes are providing a truck and trailer for the parade, and after looking at photos of the truck options it was agreed that they could use whatever truck they wanted.

**Merchandise Update / Sale Dates:** Tammy reported that we'll be carrying many favorites: Sweatshirt w/laces in grey or navy, navy v-neck pullover jackets, t-shirts, baseball hats, stocking hats, parent jackets, pink hockey sister sweatshirts, garment bags with RAHA logo, green flaming puck sweatshirts, warm-ups. On-line ordering won't be available; Westwood will have a binder in the store. To purchase items and get the RAHA pricing, as well as to have a portion of the proceeds go back to RAHA, people making purchases will need to download form off our website and bring it into the store. There will be monthly order cut-off dates. Merchandise sales will be held at the mandatory travelling parent meeting on September 18<sup>th</sup>, at travelling tryouts on 9/25-9/26, and at Hockey Day in Rosemount on 10/25.

We need a count of cookbooks remaining, so each Booster with cookbooks will count their inventory prior to the next meeting.

**Tournament Update:** Susan updated us on tournament expenses as discussed at the last RAHA board meeting. She looked at how other associations charged for their tournaments (gate fee vs. "package" pricing). It was agreed that we would raise our entry fee to \$600 and charge \$20 per player for tournaments. This eliminates the need for volunteers to work the gate. A shared ad for the RAHA tournament and the Booster tournament will be placed in Let's Play Hockey on July 10<sup>th</sup>. We might be able to have a 12 team tournament for the Squirt C's, though there is a possible ice time shortage. We need to make decisions on trophies, Mother's gifts, and printing expenses. Because of the ice shortages, our tournament will be Friday night, Saturday and Sunday mornings. We need to find a photographer, and look into doing our own t-shirt with pre-order sales only.

**School Open Houses / Ice Time:** The Boosters will have tables set up at school open houses with a flyer to hand out. Flyer needs to state this is only for children residing within Rosemount High School boundaries. We can also hand out flyer at Learn to Skate. We will have a sign-up sheet for people showing interest in the program; those that are interested will be invited to skate at an open skate. By having a sign up sheet we know how many to expect, and how much equipment to bring.

**Board Update:** Jen reported that the jersey expense is \$5889, and the Board has asked the Boosters to pay half. Lynn motioned to approve, Anne 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Approved. Jen will ask them to send us a bill. Trent Eigner of Minn-E-Rink has asked the Board to commit to 600 hours of ice. Fundraising: The fundraising committee is working on a Halloween costume party. Lynnae will talk to Jean Winters to get decorations.

**Booster Fundraising:** Anne has purchased enough fabric to make approximately 20 of the 75 blankets and will look for more fabric. We will raise the price of the blankets to \$30.00 to cover increase in fabric costs. Kerri reported that Buffalo Wild Wings will do a fundraiser with us. They only do it with local groups, and it runs on Saturdays from 11 to 4. We would hand out fliers on the day that we would do our fundraiser. 15% of sales go to the Boosters. We will try to coordinate on a day that we are hosting a tournament and can hand out fliers to all teams. RAHA Directory: Kirsten Jagoe has agreed to put together the directory again this year. It was suggested that we give her volunteer hours for the time she puts in on the directory. Anne motioned to approve, Lynnae 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Lynnae will put something in the monthly bulletin and the annual newsletter to contact Kirsten to buy an ad in the directory- \$10 for business card size ad.

Next meeting is Tuesday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2008

