

RYHB Meeting Minutes ~ Tuesday May 13th, 2008

Attendees: Jen Berg, Lynn Sweetman, Anne Thurston, Kerri DuPuis, Tammy Polak

Secretary's Report: March and April minutes presented. Lynn Sweetman motioned to approve, Kerri DuPuis 2nd the motion. Approved.

Treasurer's Report: May report presented. Beginning balance 4/8/08 \$11,049.32; Balance ending 5/13/08 \$10,906.73. Anne Thurston motioned to approve, Lynn Sweetman 2nd the motion. Approved. **NOTE: We are still waiting on a check from Westwood for merchandise sales, which should be coming on 5/21/08.** Kerri brought up the existence of several boxes of old receipts, dating back to 1991. She has talked to a tax accountant, who advised her to keep 7 years of records to be safe. She will talk to Doug Ebner to verify.

Old Business

1. Roadside Clean-Up: Scheduled for Saturday, May 17th at 10:00. An E-mail was sent to the Booster distribution list, and it was posted on the RAHA Website. Anne will contact the city to get the supply box, and will bring water and juice boxes.
2. Giving Back
Popcorn Maker- Dave St. Albin no longer works with the city, so we need to talk to the city to get the size, etc of what they would like. Jen brought up that Red Pine is looking to get rid of theirs, and it has only been used a couple of times. There is a model at Sam's Club for \$575. Restaurant Depot may be another resource. Lynn will call the city to get more info on what they are looking for.
Jerseys- RAHA has ordered new Bantam jerseys; Jen asked Matt Berg to get a proposal for their financial request. Total invoice is \$5900.
At this time, there is no inventory system for existing jerseys.
3. Booster Banner: The Booster Banner was taken down while the ceiling is being repainted. We will work with them on placement of the banner when the work is completed (around June 12th).
4. Merchandise Update: Tammy presented many samples of items Westwood has suggested we sell (car floor mats, clocks, bench mats, pucks with photos, hitch covers, golf towels, license plate frames, car flags, and bag tags). Previously, Westwood was going to allow us to have a link from the RAHA Website to their site for merchandise sales. They have now said that the purchaser will still have to print off a form and bring it into the store to place an order. They also want to have a monthly cut off for orders. We need sample sizes, and will discuss further if we sell merchandise at all the RAHA meetings. Can Westwood match prices on merchandise we can buy from other sources? Terry Lamare will be coming to our June meeting to discuss. We want to carry sweatshirts, t-shirts, hats, RBK warm-ups again, as these are the items people seem to want.

New Business

1. Board Update: Jen reported from the RAHA Board meeting that the Minn-E-Rink is scheduled to open by 9/1/08. Their goal is to offer the facility to RAHA before other associations and wants a commitment from RAHA. The cost is \$140/hr, and would only accommodate one team at a time. They are looking at purchasing 100 sets of equipment to have on-site.
STP Clinic- Scott Macho reported only 5 mites were signed up, PW and B levels were ok, S would have one, maybe two, sessions. They are looking at ideas for promoting STP to mite families.
Dallen is the Operations Manager, and is working on fundraisers. Pull tabs- Apple Valley Hockey Assn. made over \$400k last year. Bowling Event could be a possible fundraiser.
Hockey Day in Rosemount- in October, the weekend after all the travelling teams have been selected. Possibly 10/25. It would be a fundraiser / party day. Jen indicated the Boosters want to be involved. RAHA is possibly bringing back the Halloween Party.
2. Assistant Tournament Director- we have a written job description of the Booster position, and need to get the word out for the opening, and post it on the Website.
3. Monthly RAHA Newsletter – it is intended to come out after the Boosters have their monthly meeting, and can include Booster news and events/dates.
4. Leprechaun Days
Kelly Sabo called the city and asked about parade application and getting a booth. Tammy recommended she contact John Cusack, as he has handled it in the past. The Boosters have stated they do not want to be involved in a booth.

5. Applebee's Fundraiser – it was successful last year, the hard part was selling all the tickets in advance. Are there other options? Buffalo Wild Wings, Champp's (they supply burgers and chips, cook the food, and charge \$5-6. Maybe at Hockey Day?), Wendy's.
6. Fleece Blankets – if we do them again, should we charge more? Tammy saw similar at Shakopee Tournament for \$60. Could we do fleece scarves with mittens? Pillow cases?
7. The music system might need repair at the arena. We need more info on this.

Next meeting is Tuesday, June 10th, 2008