

EVHA Board Meeting
February 27, 2008 - 7:00
Apple Valley Community Center
Minutes

Call to Order: 7:00 PM

Board Attendance: Jeff Tuthill, Chris Carlson, Jim Harnagel, Steve Johnson, Randy McGlocklin, Steve Martel, Mark Stillings, Dave Bernhardson, Joe Snodgrass, Butch Handahl, Richard Darud, Mike Young, Beth Berger

Absent: Paul Edsten and Mark Lecy

Guests: Drey Bradley, Eastview Boys Varsity Coach; Herb Harvey, Eastview Girls Varsity Coach; and Trace Ford

Approval of Minutes (Beth Berger) – December 19, 2007 and January 30, 2008 minutes were approved.

EVHS Varsity Coaches' Clinics (Drey Bradley and Herb Harvey) – both coaches want to grow a partnership between the high school programs and the association. Both coaches talked about their summer hockey clinics and positive changes they are making. EVHA will assist in getting the word out by putting the information on the EVHA website.

Squirt C Program (Trace Ford) – Trace provided an overview of the Squirt C Program, now in its second season. There were 4 teams of 13 players. Games were scheduled with both Eagan and Apple Valley's hockey associations this year. Some recommendations would be 1) have at least 14 skaters on a team; 2) look at skill level of 3rd graders to determine if ready for this level of play; 3) goalie clinics to promote the position and develop this position early in the season; and 4) more balanced practice ice. A difficult topic to manage when there is a shortage of prime ice.

Approve gambling bank account (Jeff Tuthill) – a separate bank account was approved 1/30/08 and the start up amount was approved in this meeting.

Newsletter Editor (Jeff Tuthill) – for the 2008-2009 season, the board is looking for a volunteer to be the new editor for the Slapshot newsletter.

Association Administrator (Jeff Tuthill) – the board is looking into a new paid position for EVHA to be the main contact, assist with the ice coordinating and registrar duties, for instance. Board members are being asked to inquire with other associations that have an administrator. Jeff is looking for a team of board members to explore this initiative.

Equipment Manager (Jeff Tuthill) – for the 2008-2009 season, the board is looking for a volunteer to take on this position.

Tryouts for 2008/2009 Season (Jeff Tuthill) – Jeff suggested that the 2007-2008 tryout committee present recommendations for next year before our March meeting. Mark Stillings will connect with Paul Edsten.

Long Range Planning (Randy McGlocklin) – Randy proposed having a group meet to brainstorm on various hockey topics and create recommendations to be presented to the board. Topics may be, but not limited to, player and coach development planning. This would not be a decision making group. The

board welcomed the idea.

Goals for 2008-2009 Season (Jeff Tuthill) – Jeff asked the board members who will be serving another year or two to bring their expectations to the March meeting.

Board Officer Nominations (Jeff Tuthill) – names of board candidates with their biographies will be sent out the week of 3/3 along with a ballot. Ballots are due 3/20/08. Also, if a current board member has an interest in a position on the board, please note that in our March meeting.

Fundraiser Update (Joe Snodgrass) – the net profit for the calendar fundraiser this year was around \$38,000. This is similar to the net profit from the Club's Choice fundraiser in the past. The money is used to subsidize the Mite Program so that Mite players/parents do not pay for ice. The new board will discuss fundraising for the 2008-2009 season.

Pull Tabs (Mark Stillings) – the paperwork is 95% completed for getting our license. Next steps are to file the necessary paperwork with the city and then with the state.

Ice Coordinator (Butch Handahl) – there were a number of non prime hours that were not used. Going forward, when ice is assigned to a team, the team can not give the hour(s) back. The team manager is responsible for trading the hour or selling it to another team. This has been the policy for the past 6 years.

District 6 (Dave Bernhardson) – reminder to all coaches: if skaters/players are not rostered for the team(s) currently on the ice, then they can not be on the ice. This is a D6 rule.

Next meeting: March 19, 2008

Adjourn: 9:25pm