

Luverne Hockey Club
Board of Directors Meeting
8/31/10

1. **Call to order & Approval of agenda:** The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Smeins with the following members present: Sterrett, Reisdorfer, Buse, Frankenhoff, Lammert, Gonnerman, Smedsrud, Crabtree, Wenzel, Baustian, Von Tersch, and Reisch. Derrick Brown, Jim & Brenda Juhl, Jason Kruse, Mike Hart, Craig Hohn, and Diana Erickson were also present.
2. **Approval of Minutes:** The minutes from the August 4 meeting were deferred to the next meeting.
3. **Treasurer's report:** Buse reported she has looked into the option of automatic withdrawal payments for registration fees, which would cost the association a small fee to set up but would provide another payment option for families. After discussion, a motion was made by Buse seconded by Frankenhoff to state the following (for registration fees): "However, there is another installment option for families. This installment option would allow for automatic withdrawals from the family's bank account. There will still be 1/3 of the registration fee plus the candy fundraiser deposit to be due at registration and the remaining 2/3 of the registration fee automatically withdrawn from a checking or savings account in six equal installments from October 15th through March 15th. A form is required to be filled out and signed with this option. The club reserves the right to remove any player from their team, without a refund, if any automatic withdrawal is rejected or returned by the bank." Motion carried on a voice vote.
4. **Committee Reports:**
 - a. **Registration:** Reisch reported packets were sent out on 8/28, 3 packets were sent out to new families who expressed an interest. Reisch noted that all players with a SD address need to complete waivers or the association could be fined per conversation with Mark Jacobs from District 4. Reisch will work with Smeins to identify and contact those families to get the needed paperwork completed. President Smeins noted that has received 3 requests from families to have their skater move up to a different level.
 - b. **Building & Land/BMIA:** No report.
 - c. **Fundraising:** The Luverne Optimist Wine dinner is set for October 22, 2010. This will be a fundraising hours opportunity for hockey families. Hockey families are also encouraged to attend the event as the Optimists provide significant financial support to our club.
 - d. **Parent Representative:** Gonnerman reported she was asked about adding a 12U option for 4 on 4 hockey as combining the girls with the squirts or peewees did not work well in the past. Discussion also considered the option of doing 3 on 3 on half ice instead of full ice, which would allow more teams on ice. Available board members will meet on 9/14 to set teams, schedules, and make final decision on 4 on 4 or 3 on 3. Suggestion was also made to have parents available to help open/ close doors and 1 to run the clock every minute and 30 seconds for kids to switch. A list of the teams will also be given to the referees.
 - e. **Concessions:** Wenzel reported she is getting things set up for the Stampede game. Lisa will post sign up sheets for concession hours during the season at the arena for families. Wenzel noted that Lisa would no longer be accepting phone calls or emails for sign up requests.
 - f. **Referees:** Lammert reported that dates have been set for the referee seminars in the area. Those interested need to do the classes and take the test. Lammert also noted that he is in process of contacting outside people to be evaluators for tryouts.
 - g. **Coaches:** Smedsrud noted that he is waiting for registration numbers to set up coaches for teams. He also noted that Minnesota Hockey has put in place a new policy for adult supervision in the locker room. This will need to be defined by our club and implemented prior to the beginning of the season.
 - h. **Tournaments:** Crabtree reported that ads for our tournaments ran in USA Hockey newspaper all summer, the gate fee is included in the price of the tournament. She has a district 4 tournament meeting on 9/13 and hopes to clarify whether SD teams can participate in our tournaments.
 - i. **Grievance:** No report.
 - j. **District Representative/ ACE Coord:** Frankenhoff reported that there is a scheduling meeting on 10/4 in Windom.
 - k. **Marketing:** Von Tersch reported she had about 10 kids and their families who took information at the Elementary open house on 8/19. She also had the opportunity to talk to Cory Nelson who does PE for the Elementary kids about going out to the ice arena for skating similar to the swimming lessons kids do during the year. Von Tersch also has placed ads in the Announcer and Community Ed fall brochure for the registration nights. Von Tersch reported that Quality Printing is willing to start calling for ads for a team book, noted that we will need to talk to Jim Juhl about using the team photos in the book. She is also planning to do an equipment swap during the registration nights; an email

would be going out to families to get the equipment to her. Von Tersch reported she is also working with Print Express to do a screen print T shirt or sweat shirt with the high school schedule on the back, similar to the football T shirts. She is hopeful to have something ready by the beginning of the season.

5. **Old Business:**
 - a. Recording of worked hours: Crabtree, Wenzel, Gonnerman, and Frankenhoff will meet to develop a plan so that all know how hours were accrued.
6. **New Business:**
 - a. Raffle and Annual Meeting Date: Annual meeting was set for Monday April 4th and the High School Little Theatre, raffle will also be done at that time.
 - b. Jim Juhl: Discussion was held with Jim about the possibility of doing the hockey photos off ice so that it would not interfere with practice time and decrease the possibility of injuries due to kids skating on the ice without helmets. Discussion was also held about the possibility of doing two sessions for photos, one in early November and the other after the boy's varsity season starts. Jim was agreeable to both ideas. More information will be sent out to parents at a later date with specific dates and times.
 - c. Stampede game is set for Saturday September 18, 2010 at 7:05 pm. The Stampede will be playing Des Moines.
 - d. Golf outing is planned for Sunday September 12, 2010. Each board member is asked to bring 2 bags of potato chips for the meal.
 - e. Cell phone booster: Sterrett reported he is working with Sudenga Communications and plans are going forward for the cell phone booster for the BMIA.
 - f. Summer Ice: Coach Brown provided a possible schedule for summer ice activities in Luverne and asked the board members for their support of the idea. Possible activities could include hockey and figure skating camps, a summer training program, a youth summer league, men's league, etc. Coach Brown stated that it would be scheduled so not to interfere with Community Education activities including baseball. LHC board members agreed to support Coach Brown's proposal as he brings it forward to the BMIA board.
 - g. Meeting schedule: LHC board will have an additional meeting on September 21 to review registrations/teams and will also have regularly scheduled meeting on October 4th.
7. **Adjourn:** With no further business a motion was made by Lammert and seconded by Crabtree to adjourn the meeting at 10p.m. Next meeting will be Tuesday September 21 2010, 7:30p.m. at BMIA.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Reisdorfer, Secretary