

Iron Amateur Hockey Association  
Monthly Meeting 10/8/08  
6 pm Ice Arena

**Board Members Present**

Roy Polich, Ken Nelson, Heather Maki, Sally Hedtke, Dale Fuller, Don Gurchinoff, Chris Thomson

**Others Present**

Paul Hytinen, Lori Jacobson, Jane Gustafson, Kelly Gustafson, Nancy Westphal, Rich Bekkala, Mark Pratt, John Spelligotti, Angie Esbrook, Mike Esbrook

**Approval of Minutes**

Ken moved with support from Don to approve the September 11, 2008 minutes with the following amendment. To clarify that Michelle Sobay is the concession stand coordinator for food only.

**Treasurer's Report**

Account balances at month end Checking, \$14110.54, Savings \$30.43, Building Fund \$3,415.73, Money Market \$10,084.63.

Dale moved with support from Ken to pay the bills presented with the addition of \$46 for postage to J. Gustafson

**Facilities Manager Report**

Dale reported that the coach's room is completed and the doors and boards have been painted. There has also been some remodeling done to the pro shop. He is also going to put locks on the locker rooms. The heaters are in and will be installed as soon as possible.

The association has purchased a vinyl kit for the ice lines and an Icehawks logo for center ice. The ice will also have to be painted. The association purchased the netting to go around the perimeter of the ice. The ice will be delayed by approximately one week so a pad of concrete can be poured in the back of the building for the zamboni. Williams RediMix has donated the concrete and Crist Oil has also donated the use of the forms and tools.

Dale stated that the Community Schools Program will be putting on broom ball at the arena on Tuesdays and Friday.

The board voted on the approval of the Westphal's Inc. bid of \$14,130.68 to finish the heating project. Don made the motion with a 2<sup>nd</sup> from Ken. Motion carried.

**Fundraising**

Roy, Ken and Kelly Tomasoski went to the city of Caspian meeting to inquire about getting some funding from the city for some needed upgrades. The city of Caspian has funds available

but at this time they are not sure how/where to distribute them. They will be considering the building. Their next meeting is October 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Mr. Felland has made another significant contribution to the organization for the completion of the locker rooms and bathrooms. The board would like to prepare a memorial in his honor. Ideas were talked about but nothing was decided. It will be tabled until the next meeting.

### Equipment

Lori Jacobson is working on tagging all of the equipment and is working on a check out/in program. She stated that most of the equipment was tagged.

All of the coaches have to get all of the game jerseys back at the end of the season. No exceptions. The kids can wear their game jerseys to school on Friday only before games and during the games.

### Scholarships

The board received several scholarship requests for this season. It was decided that for each scholarship, the family would be required to put in 10 extra hours of volunteer time and a thank you note to the board or to the person/family giving the scholarship. A motion was made by Ken with a 2<sup>nd</sup> from Heather, motion carried unanimously.

It was also decided that if the association paid for the USA Hockey fees, an additional 5 hours of volunteer time is required. A motion was made by Chris with a 2<sup>nd</sup> from Dale, motion carried unanimously.

The Ross family made a request for a scholarship for last season's fees and for this season's fees. Since there are three family members asking for scholarships and last season's fees, the board looked at the situation as an individual situation. A motion was made by Chris with a 2<sup>nd</sup> from Don to give the family scholarships for this season with a total of 30 hours volunteer time. The family will also have to make payments on last season's fees. Motion carried with 2 nays from Sally and Dale.

The following individual scholarships were awarded:

Jack Trebtoske, Brian Spikings, Bryanna Verhoven, Marylynn Damp, Lacey Blazier,

### Old Business

We do not have enough of our own kids registered for Top Dog so we are going to open the registration to other organizations. There was a motion by Ken with a 2<sup>nd</sup> from Sally to lower the original voted on cost to \$60 for outside organizations. Motion carried.

Ski Brule/ Brule Valley Management, Inc. have donated the use of a chalet for the Top Dog coaches for the weekend. There was a motion by Ken with a 2<sup>nd</sup> from Heather to pay the \$50 fee being charged for cleaning of the chalet. Motion carried.

### New Business

The men's team made a request for the board to consider fees. The proposal was pay full price (\$250) unless the player cannot be at practices for WORK REASONS ONLY. There are men on the team that are required to work on certain practice days and will never be able to make all of the practices; they would be allowed to pay \$160. This includes the \$35 for the USA Hockey fees. A motion was made by Don with a 2<sup>nd</sup> from Chris. Motion carried.

A drop in rate of \$15 per person for college age students and anyone that does not live in the area. All drop ins must be registered with USA Hockey to participate. The Men's team will also have to put in 200 hours of volunteer time as a group. A motion was made by Don with a 2<sup>nd</sup> from Ken. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Chris with a 2<sup>nd</sup> from Ken to also apply the above criteria for the women's team. Motion carried.

There were also discussions regarding the Peewee team. At this point we have 20 kids signed up. The discussion was weather or not we need to make two teams. This item will be tabled until the season has started.

The next meeting will be on November 13, 2008, 6pm at the arena

Motion by Ken and a 2<sup>nd</sup> from Don to adjourn at 8:10 pm.