



OSSEO-MAPLE GROVE HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

Summary of board meeting for 5.15.05:

Attendance: Rob Thomsen, Jim Dignen, Tony Kunz, Greg Quick, Tim Clark, Mike Bennett, Scott Botzet, Hans Hauser, Mike Urquhart, Tom Lyngdal, Todd Elmer, Tim Kuebelbeck, Bruce Johnson, Scott Wolf, Denise Hinton, Leslie Miller, Ron Brekke and Joe Shoults

Absent: Pat Ross, Brian Funfar, Tom Hirsch and Barb McShane

Meeting called to order 7:06pm. Presentation by Acceleration Minnesota, owner Blain Walstrom and guest Brian Bonin. Proposal given for group rates and Association sponsoring of teams to that facility.

- Each board member received information
- Board Placements- Todd Elmer made a motion to accept Jim Dignen, first Vice President, Maple Grove; Bruce Johnson, girls Traveling Director; Brian Funfar, girls Mite Director; Pat Ross, Mite Director. They were voted in the complete block. 10 yes, 1 opposed, 1 abstain.
- Elected board members were placed as follows:
 - Ron Brekke, Peewee Director
 - Rob Thomsen, Bantam Director
 - Tony Kunz, Squirt Director
 - Bill Schmid, C Director
 - Mike Urquhart, Super mite Director
 - Jeff Dolbe, Osseo Traveling Director
- Round table introduction of all members
- These were administrative positions as appointed:
 - Joe Shoults, Ice Coordinator, Kathy Kmit, Assistant Treasurer
 - Hans Hauser, Equipment
 - Scott Ecklan, ?
 - Peggy Rogers/Pam Elmer Concessions
 - Susan Folisa, ?
 - Michelle Bell, Registrar
 - Theresa Christopherson, Assistant Registrar

Jill Aukhus, Jeff Slattery, Brett Ulquist, Michelle Wolf,
Tournament Co-Chairs
Sue Frykman, Personal Fundraising
Sally Gill, Volunteer Coordinator

- Team projections for total numbers will be e-mailed to all board members,
numbers appear to be similar to last year.
- Discussion on on-line registration, no vote taken, however, it appears all are in favor
Per the conversation between Michelle Bell, Mike Vasquez and Todd Elmer to determine if we can set it up. Costs likely would be covered with a \$10 per skater increase in fees. Total cost approx. \$7,000 annually.
- Booster update - (as reported by Scott Wolf) Main Street Bar and Grill has closed and will re-open July 1st under new ownership as Tavern on the Grove. Scott Wolf will be meeting with the new owners this week in conjunction with Denise and Leslie to review the pull-tab operation. In addition it has been learned that the pull-tab lease at Jay Cuzinoes will expire Feb. 06. Ownership there would like to meet with us in December. Further it is reported that after a brief organizational meeting Andrea Hemmingway is taking responsibility for all team sponsorships for 05-06 seasons. More details to follow.
- Youth traveling: (as reported by Jim Dignen and Tom Lyngdal)
Coaches appreciation meeting took place the existing traveling board has already had an organizational meeting, and is prepared to move forward into the off season planning phase, the same holds for Osseo traveling.
- Junior Gold golf tournament, August 26th (Mike Bennett reporting)
- Girls Traveling (Bruce Johnson reporting)
Girl's task force met, a missions plan statement has been drafted by Bruce and they are registered and able to get a spot in Maple Grove Days Parade. Bruce will be working in conjunction with Tim Kuebelbeck so that the float/advertising is consistent with all youth hockey, not just girls.
- House Report (Tim Kuebelbeck reporting)
Youth day at Weaver Lake Elementary was successful.
- District Report (Greg Quick reporting)

Referee fees increasing; bestate turning very successful; new coach screening forms are found on-line in the Minnesota hockey website. Coaches are encouraged to fill out as soon as possible. Player fees will increase a total of \$5-\$10 between Minnesota and USA Hockey. On May 22nd Minnesota Hockey meeting in Brainerd; redistricting is the main topic, and it is likely there will be some fairly significant changes in district composition after this meeting for the upcoming season.

- Banamay interdistrict play will continue
- District 3 still looking for Mite Coordinator. There will be a house type league at the Peewee and Bantam level for a no check league. Anybody signing up for this will sign up here and apparently go through the Wayzata association where each Sunday games will be held. Private school ruling specifically Breck wanted to have a Banamay team, District voted this down because they didn't want to open this up to all private schools to have bantam level teams playing when all other teams are association teams.
- For scrimmages
In the 04-05 year early season scrimmages were somewhat difficult to have formalized due to rosters not being finalized etc. This year you simply need to fill out a roster on who will be involved in the scrimmages including the coaches, have signed and faxed to Lynn Brant- This does not have to be an official roster.
- Arena Committee (Tim Kuebelbeck)

Arena committee will be meeting June 16th with Park and Rec. Board and Todd Hill has been added to the arena committee, he has professional experience in fundraising and capital campaign and should be a significant addition to this group.

- Ethics Committee (Tom Ringdahl reporting)
There was an ethics committee convened involving two Mite 2 teams. There were no penalties or sanctions assessed, however formal letters were sent out last week to the involved coaches and essentially amounts to a warning. Ice scheduler task force was assembled at this meeting. The task force will include:
Bill Schmid, Chair
Bruce Johnson
Tim Clark
Rob Thomsen
Todd Elmer

Pat Ross
Joe Shoults
Ron Brekke

- Mike Bennett brought up again the lack of association philosophy. He encouraged the board to consider Giff Kahler as a person who will implement all expectations at the different levels and oversee the administration throughout the season. The cost would be approx. \$2,000 per month. It was determined that the first Vice President and the second Vice President and directors will convene and come back to the board in the June meeting to present an actual proposal to the board to vote on.
- Mike Bennet, Junior Gold requesting a 5th team. It is projected that there will be 125 Junior Gold skaters in the upcoming season.
- Sally Gill - She informed the board that a formal complaint had been received last year from Osseo Junior High School in regards to conduct of players at Osseo HS during picture night. It is to be reiterated to all coaches and managers that during photo sessions that they must supervise. Lastly, the next board meeting is June 12th from 8-10 o'clock at Maple Grove Community Center, for the duration of the summer we will be going from 8pm -10pm.
- 9:26pm - Moved to adjourn by Scott Wolf, seconded by Jim Dignen, no further respectfully submitted.

Pinch-hitting secretary, Scott Wolf