

WMC ICE HOCKEY BOOSTER CLUB
MINUTES
November 10, 2009

Attendance: Debbie Peirson, Mark Miller, Eric Jacobsen, Jill Clark-Hamilton, S. Podimsky, Jacqueline Brown, Tim Driscoll, Bill deIturrondo, Dean DiTocco, Karen Creamer, Holly Harper, Tricia Williams, Dan Domaratsky, Guy Armenti, Lou Primavera, Nick Kosciolk, Blane Harrison, Cathy Muscatella, Bill Smith, Jim Rocco, Pam Fischer, Denis Stypulkoski, Peter Halko, Dave Kavanaugh, and Denis Stypulkoski

Call to order: 7:42 PM

The minutes from the October 20, 2009 meeting were accepted by Bill deIturrondo and seconded by Jill Clark-Hamilton

Presidents Report (Jeanine Marino-read by Tricia Williams):

Club Functions & Activities-Still in need of chair people and committee members for some activities

Face-Off Dinner-Tuesday, 11/24/09 at 7:30 in the Cafeteria. Please respond to Paula Yannuzzi no later than Monday, 11/16/09. Please make sure you bring cold drinks and your dish should be in a 9x13 pan.

Alumni Game-The cost of the ice at Chill Out would be \$300 for 1 ½ hours. In the past we used a practice slot which was paid for by the School. The School does not want to be involved with this game due to insurance reasons so the Club would have to pay the cost. The times available are 12/26 @ 4PM or 12/27 @ 6 PM. Jim Rocco said that Varsity has a game on the 26th at 2:15. This might be a better time to have the game since players and fans will already be at Chill Out. Jim also said he would see if the ice time could be donated or given to us at a reduced price. Dave Kavanaugh made a motion for the Club to sponsor the West Morris Central Alumni Game at Chill Out at a cost not to exceed \$400. A vote was taken with only 1 vote against; all others were in favor. We will proceed with the Alumni Game.

Devils Game-Holly Harper is making arrangements for the 1/5/10 game vs. Dallas. We will have to put 10% down to reserve the tickets which will cost \$35. All other funds will be due 2 weeks prior to the game. Holly will find out if we can get a refund or replacement game due to school cancelation because of inclement weather. The school is providing the busing.

Boat-House Jacket Orders-The jackets are in and will be distributed at the Face Off .

Banquet-The banquet is scheduled for Sunday, 3/21/10 at the Comfort Inn in Mansfield. We have some volunteers for the committee, but no one has volunteered to Chair this. It was suggested that the Junior Parents will run the banquet with each parent assigned a duty if no one comes forward to volunteer as the Chairperson.

Web Site Information-Our club web site, www.wmcicehockey.com is updated with all current information regarding the team functions and activities.

Vice President's Report (Denis Stypulkoski & Debbie Peirson):

Fundraisers chairpersons' reports

Concession Stand-This was a lot of fun and very successful. We earned almost \$1100. The Stand was set up very efficiently and things ran very smoothly. The Soccer Club ran the snack bar last weekend and earned less than ½ of what we earned. There were 16 volunteers. Thanks to everyone that helped out.

Beefsteak-This is scheduled to be held at St. Marks on 1/16. Keith Schultis and Lela Kosciolk volunteered to Chair this. We debated whether or not we should change to possibly a Wine & Cheese night, Wine Tasting, Taste of the Town, or a Casino Night instead of a Beef Steak. The Beef Steak tickets are expensive and 80-90% of the profit comes from 50/50 and tricky tray. Ed Sommerkorn, who is no longer part of the Club, was responsible for a large part of the ticket sales. Neither of the Chairs was at the meeting so Debbie will get in touch with them to see how they feel about changing the theme. This is not only done to raise money, but also as a social event for the parents. It was suggested that we hold this event at our Face Off next year.

Supermarket Cards-Are always available for sale. Consider selling to neighbors, family and co-workers to earn 5% toward your player dues. Dave will let those that purchase the cards what their credits are at the end of the month.

Spirit Wear & Hockey Bags-(Karen Creamer)-Hockey bags will be in by Face Off. An order will be placed on Monday for Spirit Wear. Samples will be available at the Face Off, and a second order will be placed the day after the Face Off to be received by Christmas. Karen will have a few clearance items available for sale at the Face Off. Karen investigated magnets. The Club can purchase 150 oval magnets for \$442 and then sell them for \$6 each or 2/\$10. After some debate Karen made a motion that the Club advance \$50 to purchase 150 magnets. The vote was tie so it was decided to table the idea of purchasing magnets this year.

Treasurer's Report (Dave Kavanaugh):

The Club is now a 501C tax exempt organization. The bank account presently has a balance of \$37526 less the supermarket cards credits. The Players Fees are the same as last year; \$1200 for Varsity and \$900 for JV. Players from last year will receive a \$150 credit. Dave will advise members of their balances due at the end of this month. Payment in full is due before the first game.

Coach's Report: (Coach Jacobsen)

-Tryouts begin 11/15 at 9 am on the track. If players do not have completed paperwork, they cannot try out. Thursday is the last day of physicals.

-The boys should have all taken the concussion test and should see Suzanne Barbara if they have not.

-Many girls are interested in doing stats again this year and he is hoping for a greater student presence at games since all home Varsity games will be held at Chill Out.

-Coach does not want our Booster Club meetings to be a Town Hall type of meeting to discuss plays, team strategy, or complain about the coach. The function of the Booster Club is to support the Team and raise funds.

-Players are to speak with the coach first with questions and/or complaints about ice time, etc. Parents should not contact the Coach about playing time. The best way to contact the Coach is by email. If there is a problem, please use the 24 hour rule.

-The Coach respects the players and the players and parents should respect him.

-He understands the needs of the JV program as a former coach. He wants Varsity and JV to work together. There will be some combined practices.

-Players must have a full colored mouth guard attached to their helmets and a neck guard which can be built into a shirt.

-There is a preliminary schedule on Highschoolsports.net. The Coach will hand out the finalized schedule to the players.

-The players are privileged to represent WMCIH, WMCHS, and their town. They must dress up for school on game days. Their grades are important. If they need any academic assistance they should see Coach. He is a teacher first.

-Twenty players will dress for Varsity games.

-Buses will be provided to and from Chill Out for practices and games directly after school. The schedule will indicate when there will be busing. All players are required to ride the bus whenever a bus is provided. This is a school rule.

-The JV schedule is set by Aspen and the Coach has no influence in dates and times. JV may be provided with buses if there are any nonleague games.

-The players have to bring their equipment to school in the morning on days when the players are bused to Chill Out after school. It will be locked in the Soccer/Baseball/Hockey Locker Room. Jim said he will have a room available at Chill Out that the players can leave their equipment in during the week. Equipment cannot be left over the weekends. Parents also have the option of dropping the equipment off at Chill Out during the day.

The next meeting will be held on January 12th @ 7:30 pm in the meeting room of the Library.

A motion to adjourn was made by Denis Stypulkoski at 8:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Tricia Williams, Secretary