

APRIL 11, 2006 GREELY HOCKEY BOOSTERS MEETING MINUTES

PRESENT: Damian Bolduc, Brian Saucier, Carol Saucier, Sue Blais, Pete Blais, Maria Bowden, Gregg Copenhagen, Becky Allyn, Terry Beckmann, Don Hawkins, Ruth Stevenson, Barry Mothes, Vic Otley, John Moody, Dianne Gray, Janet Ferguson, John Stevenson, Joel Harris.

I. TREASURER'S REPORT

Beckmann reported: revenues and costs have slowed; the boys program should finish with about a \$1,000 surplus; anyone with outstanding invoices for the boys' program should submit them ASAP since the financial year ends April 30; the financial status of the girls¹ program will be determined when a final bill is received for bus costs, but should have in the vicinity of a \$5,000 surplus; roughly \$700 in yearbook/program advertising money is still due from girls' players; the middle school program will finish with a \$300 surplus. Bolduc moved, Moody seconded, report accepted.

Beckmann also presented a 2006-07 proposed budget that will be voted on at the May meeting. Among the highlights: the overall budget for all programs will be around \$68,000; an assumed increase in ice costs should push the price to roughly \$180 per hour; boys' program budget projections are based on roughly 33 players and player fees of \$325 apiece (up \$25 from last season); the girls¹ program expects roughly 25 players with fees of \$325 per player (same as last season); the Sanctioning Committee will discuss where future funding for the girls' \$500 college scholarship, which is currently part of the girls' general operating budget, will come from in the future; the middle school budget assumes 35 players at a fee of \$285 per player (same as last year); an additional 12 to 18 hours could be worked into the boys' junior-varsity budget; several revisions will likely be worked into the overall budget and voted on at the May meeting.

II. SECRETARY'S MARCH REPORT

Harris moved, Copenhagen seconded, report accepted.

III. COMMITTEES

Nominating - Harris presented a slate of officers that returns all current officers and will be voted on at the next meeting. The slate includes:

Bowden, president; Ruth Stevenson, vice president; Beckmann, treasurer; Peter Blais, secretary. Anyone else interested in seeking an officer's position should contact Harris or Moody prior to the May meeting.

Girls Sanctioning - Harris reported the committee will make a presentation to the school board in September.

Opt-Out - Following some discussion of the various issues under consideration and potential additional fees to skaters and parents opting not to be involved with fund-

raisers, Ruth Stevenson announced the committee will meet again and finalize details of an opt-out fee prior to player registration.

Scholarship Committee - Sue Blais reported: three boys' skaters and one girl had applied for the two \$500 scholarships; committee members Blais, Peter Bates and teacher Doug Pride will meet April 25 to determine the boys' and girls' scholarship recipients; the awards will be announced at graduation.

Middle School Dances - Stevenson reported: there may be one more dance in June; the co-chairs for next season are Amy Saffion and Mary Macdonald.

Golf Tournament - Moody and John Stevenson reported: the organizers have met; no auction will be held at this year's event; additional funding sources will include tee signs, greens and cart sponsors; registration will be \$320 per four-person team; additional information will be available by the end of April; competition has arisen from the baseball and Little League programs that are also holding golf tournaments this season; anyone interested in participating in the golf tournament should contact a committee member, which includes Ashley Selig, Moody, John Stevenson, Scott Cyr, Barry Kurland and Don Walsh.

IV. PROGRAMS

Girls - Hawkins reported: the season-ending banquet went well; the JV finished the season with a strong showing at a USM tournament; only two players graduated from last year's team, meaning the number of players should increase this upcoming season.

Boys Varsity - Mothes reported: the season-ending team banquet went well; several Greely players were recognized for various achievements during the Western Class B All-Star banquet; spring midget league is underway with 23 skaters and one goalie; emails should be distributed shortly discussing the two Greely teams to be entered in the summer high school league; the overall program goal is to maintain varsity ice hours and increase junior-varsity ice hours.

Spring Classic - Bolduc reported: he and John Hart coached this year's Greely entrant of third- through fifth-graders; the team won all four of its games and included five girl players on the roster; overall, it was one of the most talented groups of Greely skaters to participate in the annual competition.

Middle School - Ruth Stevenson reported: parents provided very positive feedback about this year's program; it appears the head coaches of both teams will return next season.

V. NEW BUSINESS

Bowden reported she is researching an e-Bay fund-raiser proposed by a Greely parent.

Committee co-chair Ferguson led a discussion of possible changes to the Caribbean Raffle that may result in: more tickets being sold at a lower price per ticket; requirements for players to sell more tickets; changes in the make-up of prizes; special awards to the top ticket sellers. She will return to the May meeting with a list of proposed changes that is expected to be voted on at that time.

Harris and Otley led a discussion of the possibility of building an outdoor rink somewhere in Cumberland that could be used for various team practices and recreational skating. The Community Rink Task Force will continue researching the matter and report back to the boosters as needed. Booster members expressed interest in assisting with fund-raising efforts.

Bowden announced the boosters have donated \$100 to the Androscoggin County Home Hospice Program in memory of recently deceased Roland Godin, the father of immediate past booster President Paul Godin.

VII. KEY DATES

- * Next Booster Meeting - May 23 at 7 p.m at the high school.
- * Golf Tournament - June 26 at Val Halla.

VIII. MEETING ADJOURNED

Brian Saucier moved, Carol Saucier seconded, meeting adjourned.