

Amendment to November meeting minutes:

It is the feeling of the group that we are getting CLOSE to the point of satisfaction with ice time (at 54 hours). Hawk has stated he believes 60 hours would be about right as a goal to shoot for, and this will be reflected in our report/proposal.

#### GREELY HOCKEY BOOSTERS 11/15/06 MEETING

PRESENT: Tom Hurley, Joel Harris, Chip Lewis, Barbara Lewis, Ruth Stevenson, Pam Harwood, Becky Allyn, Sue Blais, Terry Beckmann, Pete Blais, John Stevenson, Jackie Bates, Janice Selig, Nancy Bolduc, Damian Bolduc, Liz Otley, Amy Scannel, Janet Ferguson, Barry Mothes, Emily Stuart, Phyllis Cyr, John Hart, Maria Bowden, Tracey Dahlgren.

#### I. TREASURER'S REPORT

Beckmann reported: registration fees are coming in; the middle school

program has 30 players, boys varsity 31 players and girls 36 players;

some ice-time bills have come in for the girls program. Harwood moved, Selig seconded. Report accepted.

#### II. SECRETARY'S OCTOBER REPORT

Sue Blais moved, John Stevenson seconded. Report accepted.

#### III. COMMITTEES

Girls Sanctioning \* Harris reported: the committee met this summer with school board liaison Polly Frawley and met again earlier this week; Frawley directed the committee to address more Title IX issues of concern to the school board when the committee meets with the school board Jan. 8; the committee will ask the school board to write a letter to the Maine Principals Association noting the board's desire to see the girls team sanctioned as a varsity sport; the girls program has shown the ability to be self-funding the past two seasons; the school board is uncomfortable with seeing the boys program receive all the school funding and the girls receiving none if the girls varsity is sanctioned and would like the booster organization to provide recommendations for allocating school funding

between the two programs; however the school board is unwilling to provide any additional funding for either program; the girls' goal has been to obtain additional ice time but not adversely affect the boys program; the girls do not desire as much ice time as the boys, preferring a less time-consuming program; the amount of girls ice has increased from 44 to 54 hours the past few years, a number that pleases most of the coaches and skaters; the goal is to phase in the girls program as a varsity sport over the next three to four years and seek a distribution of school funds based on desired ice time between the two programs; the committee hopes to present a unified front when it meets with the school board on Jan. 8; the plan is to have a formal proposal for the boosters' review at the December booster meeting; the school board is also concerned about the Title IX implications of the boys having a locker room at FIC and the girls not having one, even though the boys program did the fund-raising for the locker room; the hope is that no Title IX lawsuits will be forthcoming as long as the program makes progress toward fulfilling Title IX requirements; the sanctioning committee believes great progress has been made toward meeting any Title IX requirements; with several sanctioning committee members scheduled to leave the program when their skaters graduate this year, Harris and Bowden encouraged parents of younger skaters to get involved with the sanctioning committee and to contact either one of them if any are interested in joining the committee.

Ad Book \* Harwood and Selig reported: the requirement is that each player (not each family) sell \$90 worth of ads; plans are to have a girls game-day program this season; ad payments and paperwork are due

Nov. 25; the yearbook should be available for sale Dec. 14.

Caribbean Raffle \* Ferguson reported: ticket sales have been brisk; people seem to like the new \$10 price for the tickets; several tickets are still available for sale from Ferguson; if all the tickets sell it will be a very successful fund-raiser; players can start selling tickets Monday, Nov. 20; all monies for tickets sold and the tickets stubs need to be turned in by 12/15/06; if anyone needs additional tickets, please contact Janet Ferguson or Tracey Dahlgren.

#### IV. PROGRAMS

Girls \* Hawkins reported: 36 players have registered; the first varsity and JV games are scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 18; seven JV games are set with more planned; the girls program is returning five hours of ice to the overall program; the number of skaters allows for full varsity and JV teams; socks and jerseys have been ordered; photos will be taken Monday, Nov. 20.

Boys Varsity \* Mothes reported: practice starts Monday, Nov. 20; information regarding the upcoming season has been distributed via skaters and email; four varsity games are

scheduled the weekend following Thanksgiving as part of the Icebreaker Tournament; the varsity schedule this season is very competitive and includes games against Class A and Eastern Class B teams; roughly 15 JV games are currently scheduled and another half dozen or more are planned; several varsity practice times have been changed to give the JV team some better game times; 31 players are trying out for the varsity team; practices normally should be done about 5 p.m.; parents are needed to staff the ticket table for the Icebreaker Tournament; the team season-opening dinner is scheduled for Dec. 8 at 6 p.m. at the Bowden home; programs will include information on all teams participating in the Dudley Cup; Greely hosts the Dudley Cup this season.

Middle School \* Hart reported: the teams started practicing in September; the "A" team beat Portland, South Portland and Falmouth (twice) in an inaugural tournament in Portland this past weekend.

#### V. NEW BUSINESS

Icebreaker Tournament Fundraiser \* Jackie Bates proposed a fund- raiser for the Icebreaker. The parents of each player will make a craft item that will be offered for sale at the ticket window during the Nov. 24-25 pre-season tournament. For more information contact Bates.

#### VI. Key Dates

\* Next Booster Meeting \* Dec. 6 at 7 p.m. at Greely High School.

\* Girls First Game \* Nov. 18 at 6:10 p.m. vs. Brunswick at FIC.

\* Greely Icebreaker at FIC \* Nov. 24 at 1:30 p.m. vs. Brunswick, 6:50 p.m. vs. Deering, and Nov. 25 at 11 a.m. vs. Gorham; Nov. 25 at 8 p.m. v. Exeter

#### VII. MEETING AJOURNED