

**Hockey Booster Minutes
September 9, 2008**

Attendance: Becky Allyn, Barry Mothes, Diane Gray, Robyn Barnes, Janice Selig, Mary McDonald, Alice Ames, Damian Bolduc, Karen Finnegan, Carl Hoffman, Heather Geoghan, Bill Arnold, Dan Perry, Liz Otley, Edie Taylor, Sarah Kramlich, Ann Antz, Kathy Tuller, Don Robinson, Kim Storey, Jill Storey, Polly Findlay, Tom Hurley, Barry Kurland, Joyce Megathlin

**HELP NEEDED
(doesn't matter what program your child plays for, we welcome all
volunteers)**

- 2 volunteers needed to **print Game Day Programs** for girls and boys: responsible for putting the sold ads and the boys and girls information in the Game Day programs. Need a little computer knowledge. All programs will be printed before the season begins. Will need to collect the rosters from opposing teams and put into the programs after printed. Janice Selig will mentor. Reply to Janice Selig if interested.
- Many volunteers needed for **5K Turkey Trot** on Thanksgiving Day: New fund raiser this year. Heather Geoghan will lead this but she needs lots of helpers. Reply to Heather Geoghan if interested.
- JV Girls Hockey Volunteer Assistant Coach: The girls would like to have a 3rd coach volunteer to coach them working only with the JV girls. Reply to Heather Geoghan for questions and interest..

Executive Administrative Assistant to the President's Report: Mary McDonald motioned to approved as written seconded by Diane Gray. All approved.

Treasurer's Report: Robyn Barnes reported on results of the golf tournament: Net earnings were \$9300 and budgeted was \$8900. \$1560 in opt outs from girl's program still owed; one boys opt out; \$130 tee sign still unpaid. Thanks to Alice Ames, Mary McDonald and Kathy Tuller for an excellent job on this huge fundraiser! Explained the Opt Out Program to the group.

Boys Varsity: Coach Mothes reported on the summer program, 32 players divided based on talent on 2 teams, 15-5-1 record combined. Lot of positive hockey played! Hands off time now for coaches, many are playing some form of fall hockey now. Looking ahead there will be a team meeting in early November (will be posted soon). Parent Informational night and registration will be around 11/5, information will be sent later. Begin the season on 11/17 one full week before Thanksgiving, pretty busy about 6 days per week, great varsity schedule this year. Christmas Tournament again this year and have been invited to play in the Fix Cup which is typically 3 top Class A teams and a Class B team, Cape Elizabeth typically asked to play but it is Greely this year, typically at the Civic Center. Captain's practices 2 weeks prior typically, set up by the seniors (ice time has been reserved per Janice Selig).

JV Hockey: Coach Bolduc reported, nothing to add to Barry's report.

Girls Hockey: Coach Geoghan reported that the girls are excited for the season. Many are playing fall hockey and fall sports. Two senior girls have taken initiative to

start dry land practices for any girls who aren't playing a fall sport. Girls start on 11/3, 2 weeks before the boys and finish 2 weeks before the boys. Games start 11/18, schedule will be available within the next few days. Will be a parent and player meeting at the Pond House late October, 10/25ish. 2 tournaments this year; Thanksgiving Tournament and Christmas tournament at USM 12/26, 27 and 28th. No divisional teams, every team will play each other at least once and all those schools we can get to on the bus. Janice read a letter from the girls hockey team that outlined their goals and needs.

Middle School: Diane Gray reported they plan on starting with pre-skates on 9/15 and 9/22 at Family Ice in response to parent's suggestions. Evaluations begin on 9/29 at 7:20pm....need kids to come in early to conference room to get socks and registration. Kim Storey will be there to help. All High School coaches (Heather, Damian and Barry) will be evaluators. FIA reported they have ice time on Monday's through 11/10 but will need to work with the girl's to break down all the Monday ice time. Proposed Middle School Girls team: Discussed possible girls Middle School team. If interested let Diane Gray know. Will need to find ice time. Will be a notice put on the hockey website. Joyce will forward a list to Diane, this is a challenge every year to get 6th grade kids involved in Middle School Hockey. MSGIHA will take over the fall league for the Middle School girls, 8 teams interested in playing, may combine if necessary.

Rink Proposal: No report.

Fundraising: No new information.

Golf Tournament: See above.

Old Business:

TA Boys: Becky Allyn reported she has ordered gloves for incoming freshmen and they are now \$160 per pair, ordered 2 extra pairs for 8 freshman, one senior, however just found out there are 2 more interested sophomores and didn't get the order in for them. Bags will be ordered later on in fall. If anyone has any feedback or questions about the program (schedule, trips etc) information and suggestions on how to get the information out to new parents let Becky know.

TA Girls: Liz Otley reported, nothing to discuss..

Skate Sharpener: Janice found an electrician who can wire the skate sharpener and can do it soon and fairly inexpensively. May put the old skate sharpener on Craig's list and get more money that we have been offered for it. New skate sharpener price has increased but Janice will negotiate. Allocated \$5000 for skate sharpener and boosters already approved it so no new vote needed.

New Business:

New Idea: Heather reported that girls would love to have a 3rd coach on a voluntary basis to work with the JVs only. Let Heather know if interested.

New Fundraiser: Heather Geoghan suggested a 5K Turkey Trot on Thanksgiving Day at 8:00 am. It would start and end at Greely High School. Doug Pride said we can use his 5K certified course; Cumberland Police Chief will donate his time and bring one or two of his officers; Mike Griffin said we might be able to get a timing machine donated; bibs might be able to be donated; Carl Hoffman can get food donated; might ask local grocery stores to donate etc. Group reviewed Heather's proposal and budget. If interested in helping let Heather know. Motioned by Diane Gray to move ahead with the Turkey Trot and seconded by Becky Allyn. Motion passed unanimously.

Game Day Program: We have done a coed hockey year book and game day program for the boys games in the past. This year we want to add girls game day programs. It is an excellent avenue for advertising. Want to remove adds from the yearbook and include only player ads (grandparents etc). Janice can get the game day program printed in advanced except for the middle page for roster for about the same as 3 games last year. BUT we need a boy and girl parent willing to take on the piece of putting the ads in the program.

Dues: Can be paid now, \$2.50 per player, to Robyn Barnes. It takes 30 days after dues are paid to be able to vote in meetings.

Key Dates: Next meetings, mark your calendars now:

- October 14, Tuesday, GHS, Barry Mothes Room (2nd floor, new wing)
- November 11; Tuesday, GHS, Barry Mothes Room (2nd floor, new wing)
- December 9; Tuesday; GHS, Barry Mothes Room, (2nd floor, new wing).

Miscellaneous: Kyle Selig and Matt Labbe have designed Greely Hockey t-shirts with player names on the back and Greely logo on front. This is not a booster organization sponsored fund raiser. T-shirts are \$18 with name, number and logo; or \$10 with logo. Profits will be used to buy practice pucks for each team, based on orders from each team. Check in with Kyle Selig and Matt Labbe or see Janice if interested in ordering. Christmas presents?

Motioned to adjourn and seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

Patrice Walsh
Executive Administrative Assistant to the President