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MINUTES FOR 12-4-13

Raffle drawing was held at 8:00pm. Winners were posted on the website, on the bulletin board in the lobby & a copy is on the IRHA Secretary computer.

1. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** 6:36pm
ATTENDANCE: Board Members: John Thomas, Kristin Knapp, Jayne Mattias, Scott Carter, Perry Wooden, Bridget Uren, Luke Hubbard, Denise Perry.
NONBOARD MEMBERS: Karen Holmgren, Tristan Palomaki, Jeff Palomaki, Tim Lystila & Travis Reamer.
2. **AGENDA:** A motion was made by Scott, to accept the agenda as amended, seconded by Jayne. **CARRIED.** Amended as follows :(Added to new business Approval of Midget Coach, Letter E. Added under Old Business Letter C, Request for Re-imbusement.
3. **MINUTES:** Motion to approve the minutes for November 6th meeting made by Luke, seconded by Scott. **CARRIED.** A motion to approve the closed session minutes from the November 6th meeting was made by Jayne, seconded by Scott **CARRIED.**
4. **TREASURER'S REPORT:** Per JT-Accept the Treasurer's report as is & place on file being Jim is absent. If anyone has any questions they can ask them at the January meeting.
5. **COMMUNICATIONS:** None
6. **PUBLIC COMMENT.** Tim Lystila-brought up doing an initiation of Mites to the Squirt level. Would we have time to do this in February for a couple of hours one evening? Keweenaw Bay games for Mites will be full ice-discussion ensued that this was not allowed being the IRHA association adopted the cross ice program. This may be District 8 wide-will verify with Perry. Houghton Teams for the Jamboree have been contacted & it sounds like they all will come. Rules look fine. Tristan Palomaki-question about closed session. Will the board come out & tell us the decision? JT-we will give you a call after the meeting. Tristan stated they paid all registration, decided not to make payments. They understand the \$200.00 is non-refundable. 1st night of evaluations was not organized or safe. Requesting re-imbusement of everything but raffle ticket money. Jeff Palomaki-1st night of evaluations was not good. He was asked to coach & he doesn't have the coaching capacity. JT-it did work itself out. This isn't the first time this has happened & it will happen in other associations. Rudy asked the parents if anyone else had the capability to coach to step up to do so. JT-as soon as we

knew there was an issue we were there to address it. Tristan & Jeff-we made a family decision. JT-the policy is what it states on the registration form. Examples of what are hardships were given.

7. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. MJHC & IRHA Merger: Midget teams have merged. This has been on-going, started with coaches talking & then the two presidents talked. IRHA had nine midget players. It was for the best interest of programs to do this. Scott is doing the coaching of the Midget B team. This year the registrations will be kept & we will have to look at how we merge them financially. JT & Scott felt it was the time to jump in while the offer from Marquette was there to merge. The financial stuff will work itself out. Jim Hetrick is going to need to disband the team being that the roster has a team number. The players have to be released from one team before they can be picked up by another. Perry-why were both teams registered in Marquette? All that does is make them look good. Scott- next year it will be looked at who will take the B & BB.
- B. Midget Concessions: Jayne-who is going to work it. Don't staff during the week. Weekend.....with 3 kids on one team. What about games? Open Skate concessions to be covered how can we make them work three when everyone else is doing one?
- C. Mite Refing : This past weekend there were issues with reffing. Going over on time & going into a practice time. PeeWee practice cut to 40 minutes. It might come down to it where the refs are getting cold. They are running 3 games without a break. Communicate with Steve to get 4 refs.
- D. Adults/Parents in Locker Rooms/Background Checks: E-mail from one of Mite coaches & the other one has spoken about it as well. Parents are going in locker rooms & they don't have background checks. Dee will send an e-mail to the Team Moms. Tim Lystila will e-mail the Mite parents. Travis Reamer-will parents be re-imbursed for background checks if they do one through MAHA? JT-Safesport: Boxing in locker room. Nate Williams-got a report of on ice stuff between two players & it is carrying over to the locker rooms. Bantam Level-there may be some issues in the locker room that needs to be addressed as well. Luke will take care of it as Safesport.
- E. Midget Coach Approval: Will Rajala as assistant coach, being it is a Marquette Team. Motion by Perry to accept Will Rajala as an assistant coach for the Midget B Team Main Street/Cliffs, seconded by Jayne. **CARRIED.**
- F. Board Member Comments: None

8. **COMMITTEE REPORT:**

- A. Locker Room Committee Update: JT-yes the property is owned by Iron Ore Heritage Trail. They will be willing to work with us on something. Right now they are going to partner with the City on something in Irontown but they are willing to sit & work with us & donate the property to the City. Would have to check into what part of the property they are willing to cut off to work out.
- B. HS Committee Update: Guideline to participate. Everything went up \$300.00. Motion made by Dee to accept the written Pay to Participate Guideline for the Negaunee High School Hockey Team for the 2013/2014 Season. Seconded by Bridget. Discussion-Scott USA Hockey Registered

needs to be incorporated. Physical needs to be in order as well. JT-this would not be on your pay to participate though. **CARRIED.**

C. Tournament Committee: Holiday Tournament is ready to go. Mite Jamboree is January 11th. The rules have been done & approved. Now it can be sanctioned.

D. Election Committee-shall be Perry Wooden, Jayne Mattias & Kristin Knapp.

9. **OLD BUSINESS:**

A. Non Registered Player Ice Violation-2nd Read by Jayne. A motion was made by Luke to accept the policy, seconded by Scott. **CARRIED.**

B. Board Member Comments: Perry-headed downstate for MAHA Meetings.

C. Request for Re-imburements: Closed Session. A motion was made by Perry to enter into closed session. Seconded by Scott. 8:09pm. **CARRIED.** A motion was made by Perry to come out of closed session. Seconded by Dee. 8:43pm.

CARRIED.

10. **PUBLIC COMMENT.** None

11. **ADJOURMENT:** A motion was made by Dee to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Perry. **CARRIED.** Meeting adjourned at 9:03PM.