

# St. Cloud Icebreaker Booster Club Meeting Minutes

August 24, 2008

Moose Lodge

Attendees: Randy Bunnell, Coach Mark Chamernick, Gene & Noupay Colberg, Bill & Bonnie Curtis, Mike Ewing, Alice Lenzmeier, Michaelene Lucia, Peter, Geoff & Bernie Quist, Carol Ruegemer, Steve Schwegman, Jeff Spethmann, Paul & Laura Stiegel, Ron & Lori Traut, Tim Vogt, Gary Walsh

President Steve Schwegman called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

## Introductions

Parents introduced themselves to the group. Welcome to all!

## Budget

Tim Vogt presented the budget for the 2007-2008 season listing the income and expenditures. We are starting this season with a balance of \$4,385.55.

Steve made a motion to waive the \$20.00 booster club membership fee again this year. Gary Walsh made a motion to accept and Jeff Spethmann seconded the motion. Discussion followed regarding keeping the fee in case of unexpected expenses. The vote to accept the motion to waive membership fees passed with a majority vote.

## Spaghetti Dinner

Randy & Deb Bunnell will coordinate the Spaghetti Dinner again this year. They will be looking for someone to work with them next year so we can have a seamless transition with this event when their daughters graduate.

The Spaghetti Dinner will be held on Friday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at the Moose Lodge. Deb and Randy Bunnell are working to get the supplies needed donated; they currently have about half of what is needed. If you have contacts they may be willing to provide these or help us out please let Deb or Randy know.

The Bunnell's will have a sign up sheet for parent volunteers to dish up food, wash dishes and clean up at the next Booster Club meeting. The girls will be serving the food.

It was decided to keep the price of the dinner at \$6.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children. Each family will be given \$90.00 worth of tickets to sell. They will be all adult tickets. Anyone needing children's tickets can purchase them at the door. Everyone is expected to sell all their tickets and more will be available as needed. The players will eat for free.

## Chuck A Puck

Laura Stiegel will coordinate Chuck A Puck this year. There will be a sign up sheet posted at the games for parents to sign up to take turns selling the pucks during the home games.

## Picture Night

Peter Maus volunteered to coordinate picture night. Individual and team pictures will be taken at the last captain's practice on Sunday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## Team Meals

Gary Johnson coordinated the team meals for away games last year. We are hoping he will be able to continue this year also. Peter Maus will work to have water donated for the meals.

## Sponsor/Senior Night

Carol Ruegemer, Lori Traut, and Lisa Spethmann volunteered to coordinate our Sponsor/Senior Night. The date of the Sponsor/Senior Night is yet to be determined. Presentation of the seniors will be between the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> periods of the varsity game. The meal will be available at that time for sponsors, parents, and JV players. The varsity players will eat after the game.

## Morning Practice Meals

Due to ice availability, we may have more morning practices. Bonnie Curtis will coordinate juice and muffins for after morning practices and Gene Colberg will help as needed delivering the food to the MAC.

## End of Year Banquet

Michaelene Lucia and Paulette Schwegman will coordinate the planning of the end of the year banquet.

## Program Ads

Ron Traut and Peter Maus will coordinate the program. Last years ads were passed out to be contacted for sponsorship again this year. The ads are due back to Ron or Peter by October 15<sup>th</sup>. Each year we lose some sponsors so it is asked that each family attempt to solicit 3 new sponsors. This is the biggest fundraiser for our Booster Club so it is very important that we make it successful. There will be more information sent on the program to the Booster Club members in an email.

## Sponsor Page

### Coach's Forum

Coach Chamernick addressed the members of the booster club.

- This past summer 7 had 7 hours of ice time and dryland practices at Cathedral on Wednesday mornings. There 30 skaters and 3 goalies and participation was good. The girls also went to Rick Rassier's Jump Course to work on teamwork and confidence building.
- Mac Expansion....There is a plan to expand the locker facilities on the west side of the MAC. The total budget for the expansion is \$2.2 million. They are asking the Booster Clubs of the three high school teams to commit to paying \$6,500 a year for 5 years. The expansion is not finalized and will not be brought before the St. Cloud City Council until after the elections.
- Captains practice schedules were provided. The practices start Sunday, October 12<sup>th</sup>. The cost will be \$50.00 again to cover the cost of the ice time. The last captain's practice will be for team and individual pictures. The schedule time for that practice is 3:45 pm, but Coach Chamernick would like all players there no later than 2:45 pm to get ready and so he can hand out jerseys and bags.
- The season starts Monday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>. There will morning and after school practices the first week. We tentatively have scrimmages scheduled at Alexandria on November 8<sup>th</sup>. The practice schedule should be posted on the MAC website after September 15<sup>th</sup>.
- The Icebreakers will have a Christmas tournament this year. It will be at the National Hockey Center on December 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>. It is not known if it will be JV and varsity or just varsity.
- Team clothes....This year the girls will only be ordering T-shirts and sweatpants to keep costs down. They may also be able to get knit mittens. In the past the Booster has purchased knit hats for the new players. The cost per hat is \$5.00. Jeff Spethmann motioned that we buy the hats again for new players only; Caroline Ruegamer seconded the motion. The motion was passed.
- An Icebreaker jacket can be ordered at Centennial Sports. This is a Columbia jacket with a zip out lining. Last year the cost of this jacket was \$125. The Booster Club will reimburse each girl \$100 toward the cost of this jacket at the end of the season. Save your receipts to get reimbursed. This reimbursement is done only once in a player's high school hockey career. Order early to have them before it gets too cold.
- Coach Chamernick will schedule a PAC meeting with the players, parents, and AD's once the season begins.
- Jerseys...The current red away jerseys are 5-6 years old. The team would like to be able to get new black jerseys for away games. Coach Chamernick asked if the Booster Club would be willing to purchase them. If we really pushed the Spaghetti Dinner we could hopefully raise enough funds for them. The cost for 35 jerseys would be \$2,100 from Centennial Sports. Alice Lenzmeier motioned that we approve the purchase of new away game jerseys; Mike Ewing seconded the motion. There was discussion on setting up a schedule to replace jerseys so we don't have them as an unexpected expense in the future. The motion passed.

### Fundraising at St. John's

Bernie Quist has presented the opportunity for fundraising at the dining services at SJU. They need help serving during special events. The pay \$8 per hour and the money goes directly to the organization. The work is done in 3-4 hours block and the servers get a free meal. The uniform is black pants and a white shirt. The work time is usually over meal times – dinner or noon. Servers need to be at least 16 years old and one adult needs to be with. Bernie will email requests to Laura Stiegel and she will forward them to the group.

### Gopher v. Huskies Women's Hockey Game

On Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> the Minnesota Gophers will play the SCSU Women's hockey team at the National Hockey Center. This would be a great opportunity to go support Anne Schleper and see a high level of women's hockey. We will see if you can get some free tickets from SCSU for the players. Any parents wanting to go will be responsible for getting their own tickets. There are plenty of tickets available at these games and the cost is \$6.00 for adults and \$3.00 for students.

### Next Meeting

The next booster meeting will be held on October 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm at the MAC.

Jeff Spethmann made the motion to adjourn; Mike Ewing seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.