

Icebreaker Booster Club Meeting Minutes

Moose Lodge

April 19, 2009

Attendees: Deb & Randy Bunnell, Coach Chamernick, Gene & Noupay Colberg, Bill & Bonnie Curtis, Mike Ewing, Alice Lenzmeier, Peter Maus, Tom Pilger, Paul & Caroline Ruegemer, Steve Schwegman, Tom & Janelle Sloan, Jeff & Lisa Spethmann, Laura Stiegel, Ron & Lori Traut, Tim Vogt, Gary & Karla Walsh

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

Budget

Tim Vogt presented the 2008-2009 budget. We currently have \$6816.24 in our account with two payments from the program and a couple bills outstanding.

Summer Hockey Opportunities

There is a summer league at the MAC run by On Target Hockey. Games are on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. The brochure for this program will be attached to the email with the minutes.

Icebreaker Scholarship

We held the drawing for the \$200.00 scholarship for outgoing seniors. The winner this year was Lindsey Johnson. Congratulations Lindsey.

Volunteer Opportunities

We are looking to fill a couple volunteer positions for next year. We need someone to work with Judy Maus, our web site coordinator. Our web site address is www.stcloudicebreakers.com. Judy will be able to update the web site next year, but we need someone to take over after Becca graduates. If you are interested you can contact Judy at pjmaus@charter.net.

We also need someone to take over the Spaghetti Dinner. This is one of our largest fundraisers and very important for the continuation of our program. Deb & Randy Bunnell have done a phenomenal job the past two years and have put together a manual of everything they have done so we can hopefully continue with its success. We may be able to break up some of the duties so a couple of people can do this. If you are interested please let Steve Schwegman know.

Coaches Comments

Coach Chamernick addressed the group.

Icebreaker/Tech Merger:

Tech wants to merge with the Icebreakers beginning the 2009-2010 season. They are down in numbers and will not be able to field a JV team again next year. The Icebreakers numbers are still okay and should be for the next four years. Next year we expect to have 28 players on the team. The Central Lakes Conference has already approved the merger, but the MN State High School and the school board still has to approve a merger. The MSHL meets early this summer. The merger probably will not happen this upcoming year, but it will happen in the future. The team will be co-coached by Coach Chamernick and Joel Heitkamp from Tech. They will still be known as the Icebreakers once a merger takes place. When the merger happens St. Cloud Youth Hockey has assured that there will be a U14 team and the high school team will probably have tryouts.

Summer Ice

The Icebreakers will combine with Tech for their summer program. Ice times will be at the MAC and at the National Hockey Center and dryland sessions will be at the MAC and at South Jr. High. It will include 10 ice sessions and 10 dryland sessions. Part of the 10 ice sessions will be the 4 day minicamp in July which will include a scrimmage against North Wright County. There will be a charge of \$115.00 per player for the summer program. The program will be open to all players in St. Cloud U12 and up. More information will be emailed to current players.

MAC Expansion

The MAC expansion has been put on the backburner right now due to budget issues with the City. We should have an update in August.

Old Business

There were no old business items to discuss.

New Business

Gary Walsh brought up an idea to help increase the number of participants in girl's hockey in St. Cloud. He suggested the we work with SCYHA and send our players to the local grade schools in the Fall to create interested in the program.

Election of Officers

We had one position on the board to fill – Vice President. Alice Lenzmeier volunteered to fill the position and she was elected by a unanimous vote. Congratulations Alice!

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be scheduled for sometime in August, 2009.