

WEST SALEM HOCKEY ASSOCIATION  
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
April, 2009

Meeting called to order by President, Joe Belling at 7:35 PM

**Secretary's Report:** Mitch made a motion and Chase seconded it.

**Treasurer's Report:** Joan reported that there is \$3,100.00 in checking and \$7,500.00 in long range, which is spoken for in calendars. We are down to \$16,500 in our loan balance. Steve Greene made a motion and Eric Hesselberg seconded it.

**League Report:** Steve was not at the last meeting. He had nothing to report besides all fees for Selects were paid.

**General Announcements:** Joe did inform everyone if they hadn't paid Bonnie for the meal to do so after the meeting. A thank you to Bonnie was formally stated; for the work she had done in putting the Banquet together.

**Outstanding Concessions:** There are still outstanding bills that are owed to concessions. If they are not paid they will be billed directly to each individual.

**Annual Banquet WII Bowling:** After the meeting WII bowling will take place. There will be a five dollar entry fee. 25% of profit will go to the winner and 75% will go to the association.

**Thanks:** Since there was a newsletter sent out from the Board of Directors, thanking many people a few days prior, Joe decided that he wouldn't spend a lot of time thanking people. He did want to give a special thanks to the non-parent coaches: Tom Monroe, Reed Cartwright, Steve & Chad Antony, Nick Getter, Greg Eisold, Jon Hoff, Austin Jones, Matt Massie, & Mark Thorn.

Other thanks to all Board of Directors leaving the Board.

**Presidents Award:** Joe gave a nice speech as he appointed Kelly Cottrell and Mitch Langrek the 2008-2009 Presidents Awards.

**League Presidents Award:** Joe read a nice speech prepared from the League President, as he announced that Eric Hesselberg received the 2008-2009 League Presidents Award.

**Passing of the Gravel:** Joe passed the gravel to the new WSHA Board of Directors President, Brian Meyer.

**Old Business:**

**State Tournaments:** Four of WSHA teams made it to state this year. PW1 won state champions, PW2 8<sup>th</sup> place, Squirt 1 6<sup>th</sup> place, and Mite 2 won Consolation Champions.

## **New Business:**

**Policy Change:** Acceptant/ Release Policy, currently a unanimous decision is our policy. The change would make it a 2/3 vote. All in favor except one person. Rich made a motion to approve the new policy change and Mitch seconded it.

**Neshonoc Dayz:** Heidi informed everyone how the Neshonoc Dayz was going. They have received ½ of the grand prize money. Brien is working on the small prizes. She also mentioned possibilities on setting up face painting and ideas that would interest the kids.

**June Dairy Days:** We will be doing the beer tent once again this year. Tom Grosskopft volunteered to represent WSHA on the June Dairy Days committee.

**New Facility:** John Hammes reported that he has been talking to some people about fundraising.

One lady he has talked to would need \$25,000.00 to do an assessment. John has also talked to 3 designers and 2 other fundraiser coordinators. Right now it would be approximately \$200,000-300,000.00 cheaper then last year to build. Lumber is at a 40 year low.

We would look for advertisement from local people. He states there is a lot of money out there for people who want to build a new rink.

John will be sitting down with members and talk to organizations to get a game plan. That will not cost us a penny.

We would need to find a new location.

He is going to look into different assessing fees.

It would cost roughly 1.3 million dollars; which would be raised.

The time line for this project is approximately 1 year, more likely 2 years to complete the project.

It was questioned that Sparta spends \$5,000.00 a month to maintain their rink. Steve Greene pointed out that the money is going towards loan fees.

Eric would like to see our current debt paid off.

Chase makes a motion that John spears this project along with at least four other people and Mitch seconded it.

**Mopar Car Show:** Eric needs 6-8 people to help with this event.

**Midget Team:** Eric stated that if the number of high school players gets to high the association would have to entertain a Midget program in order to keep the Coop at the high school level.

**Motion to adjourn:** Motion was made by Mitch and Chase seconded it.

**Next meeting, will be held May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at the American Legion Hall at 7:00**