

**Rustin Ice Hockey Club**  
**General Membership Meeting**  
**January 17, 2007**

I. President

Everyone welcomed by Nick Russo.

- Christmas Tournament: The tournament went well with an improvement over last year. Last year, the closest game score was a loss of 8-0. The MS B team played No-Check and although they did not win a game, they were very competitive. The MS A got a win and made it to the quarter finals where they lost. Our Varsity A team played up in the Varsity AA division and made it to the final game. They took second place out of 16 teams. The plaque that was given out for the second place was shown by Nick.
- Team Updates: The JV team is now being coached by Mike Giduck. The All Star Games will be played on February 7<sup>th</sup> at Ice Line.

MS B= Domenic Loyle and Ryan Burke

MS A= Charlie Young and JR Barone

MS AA= Robbie Borcky (goalie), Jason Flynn and Ryan Knox

JVB= Trevor Fisk, Mike Giduck, and Harrison Preuhs

Varsity= Mike Ignatuk, Eric Knodel, Casey Nau, Billy Gaffney  
And Devin Lieberman (goalie)

Congratulations to all of these players who were chosen to be on the All Stars.

- Lottery Fundraiser: A big THANK YOU to John McCaughern (MS B parent) for doing such a great job with this fundraiser! A total of 164 Daily lottery calendars were sold. We had 6 winners, one of these being \$200. Another thank you goes to the Barone family for donating their \$50 winnings back to the club. The total raised was \$2840 out of a possible \$17,000 if all calendars had been sold. Although this was a great fundraiser for the club, John expressed his concern in the ability to reach all of the teams when doing a club fundraiser. It was difficult to get calendars distributed. John has suggested that in the future we try to have a fundraiser representative from each of the teams to help when doing an event for the entire club. John also informed the club that he has heard of a fundraising class at a local night school that may be of help for our club if someone could attend.
- February Schedule: The schedule is mostly done. Looking ahead to the March schedule, we have open slots available and were presented at the meeting. March is going to be a busy month for our club with many games and the Varsity team hopefully making it to the Flyer's Cup.
- Officer Elections: We will present all interested candidates at the March meeting. If you have an interest in a specific position, please contact Nick Russo or Kate Nelson.
- Player Eligibility: Nick informed all present that he receives an academic report specific to the JVB and Varsity every Thursday. On a daily basis,

Nick also receives the attendance. When dealing with a specific eligibility issue, coaches are speaking directly to the student.

## II. Vice President

- Letterman's jackets: These jackets will be given to the Varsity team only. This is done with the other Varsity teams at the Rustin High School. Parents of our Varsity team were asked to pay for half of each jacket related to the club needing to purchase 18 jackets at once. In the future, the club will only need to purchase a jacket for any new player that makes the Varsity team. Thank you to Kate Nelson for organizing this.
- Warm up jackets: Each coach has been given a name embroidered jacket and pants with the Rustin logo. Thank you to Kate Nelson for organizing this too.
- Banquet: This committee is going to try and organize a separate MS and HS banquet for sometime after spring break. At this time, it is thought that it may be at the Concord Country Club and be a mix of a brunch and then dinner. Our club will pay for all of the players and gifts. Parents/siblings will need to pay for the banquet-price undetermined at this point.
- Beef n' Beer: Bob Auch's and Scott Thompson's bands have both offered to play for free. It is in the works to possibly have it at the Italian Social Club/Entertainment Complex and charge approx. \$30 per person. A silent auction would also be held at this time. The general membership present at the meeting was asked if this event would be supported with a "yes" confirmed. A date sometime in the second half of March will be tried for.
- Spiritwear: Will be offered on line in the spring. There will be fewer choices/options with a simplified order form. More info to come.
- Team pictures: Will arrive in a couple weeks.

## III. Secretary

- Stetson family skate: Karen Young has arranged with Ice Line and Stetson to have a public skate on February 19<sup>th</sup> from 1-3pm. All welcome to attend. The cost will be \$5 per person.
- Stetson eligibility: Karen has been in touch with both Mr. Whitehead (principal) and Dr. Cognato (asst. principal) at Stetson in relation to having middle school eligibility given to Nick -such as with the high school. No definite plans have been made at this at this time.
- Pictures for the web: Please continue to send pictures to Karen either by email or cd so that we can have pictures of our teams on our website.
- Karen has been in touch with both the Rustin and Stetson yearbook committees. Pictures of all teams have been submitted.
- Trophy case: We now have a trophy case which sits alone next to the chalk boards.

IV. Treasurer

- Final dues payments: We need to have everyone who owes dues to get their money turned in. Team reps have been made aware of who still owes and they will follow up with them. Our budget looks good at this time but we need to get these payments sent in so that we can continue on in good standing.

V. Team Representatives

Adopt a Soldier:

- Rick Clark-AA: 16 pounds of “stuff” was sent to their soldier Stephen and arrived this past Tuesday. This soldier is currently located in Afghanistan and works in security with transport vehicles. Stephen has spoken of another unit that could use “stuff” too. The support of our club is appreciated.
- Kim Beebe-A: This soldier, Andy, is located in Afghanistan too. We did hear from him a couple weeks ago and he has received his package from the team. Andy will be coming home for a week in the near future. It would be great to have him as a guest at a game but certainly understand that he will want to be with his family.
- MS B- A package has also been sent to this soldier, Nathan Jones in Iraq. Nathan is a combat engineer with the Marine Reserves and this is his second tour.
- Mike Giduck-JVB: Players on this team have been writing up reviews of their games and sending to their soldier, Tonya James.
- Varsity-A package has recently been sent to this soldier, Greg Elko who has recently returned to the US and is now located in Fort Hood, Texas.

Comments:

-State Championships: Will be held in Aston, PA this year.

-Nick will be in charge of the Spring League at Ice Line.

-By Laws: Need to be updated at the end of this season. A specific review is needed for the succession of board positions. Rick Clark, Kate Nelson, Mike Giduck and Karen Young will work together to update the bylaws. All proposed changes will be presented to the board and then the general membership for final approval.

-New this summer at Ice Line will be a 3 on 3/ no check league.

-Spring league: The Rustin Hockey Club will be able to take new players at this time. Karen will send an email to the coaches to see who would like to coach in the spring league.

-Summer clinic: This will need to be discussed at our March meeting.

-Tryouts for 07-08: We will not need to have the tryouts as early this year. They will probably be held in mid-May. This will be discussed at the next coach meeting.

-Elementary hockey league: There are approx. 40 players from the WCASD.

The meeting concluded at 7:50 pm. The next general membership meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 21, 2007.