

**Mankato Area Hockey Association
 Monthly Meeting Minutes
 Monday, April 11, 2011
 North Mankato Fire Department
 North Mankato, MN**

Board Members attending: (X = present, E= excused absence)

Kirk Swenson, President	X	Chuck Claude	X	Brent Rundle	X	Shelli Nornes	X
Mike Steindl, Vice President	X	Darren Bruns	X	Chad Lebert	X	Shelly Miller	X
Sue Salzle, Controller	X	Lynette Cline	E	Tresa Lacina	E		
Traci Hays, Secretary	X	Shaun Reddy	X	Char Rivers	E		
		Steve Hatkin	X	Steve Zellmer			

Other Members

Chris Hvinden	X					
Jo Nickels, Gambling Mgr.	X					

Meeting Called to Order:

Meeting called to order at 7:10pm by President Kirk Swenson

Guests: Chuck Keller, MAHA Parent
 Chris Hvinden, HOC Chair

Review and Approve current agenda

Motion to approve agenda
 M/S/P: Steve/Shawn

Review and Approve Minutes of last regular meeting

General discussion covering the minutes. Motion to approve minutes.
 M/S/P: Darren/Chuck Claude

Gambling Manager Report and Expense Approval: Presented by Jo Nickels, Gambling Manager
Reviewed the LG1004.

- Correction to the Gambling LG1004, report states a Gambling transfer of \$20,000 to the General Fund, this amount is \$18,900.00 dated 3/31/11 and a check for \$10,000 dated 4/11/11.
- Year to date Gambling profits are down approximately 5% from this time last year
- Chuck Keller attended the meeting at SCTC regarding Gambling Rule changes

M/S/P: Darren/Shawn

Per Hooligan's Gambling contract we have a request to donate \$3500.00 to the MSU Women's Golf team.

M/S/P: Darren/Shawn

Grievance Committee Update: Chad Lebert

- Nothing to report

Treasurers Report: - Sue Salzle

- Reviewed the check register balance as of 4/11/11 \$60,097.96
- Received a transfer from gambling in the amount of \$18,900 dated 3/31/11 and a check in the amount of \$10,000 new year's business transfer
- CD – Northern Star Bank \$35,943.56 (18 months interest on maturity)
- CD – Frandsen Bank \$116,537 (4 months left on this one)
- Advantage Account at Frandsen Bank \$50,000 for Expansion and Growth and money set aside for our gambling and we have an additional \$22,000 and \$21,000 available as well
- May need to look at raising registration fees to cover gate fee expenses for MAHA teams traveling to away tournaments.

M/S/P: Chuck Claude/Shawn

Fundraising Report: Char Rivers

- Allen Plante from Maravonda will probably come to our next month's meeting

Expansion and Growth: Mike Steindl

- Let's Play Hockey for Free - Mike will be discussing the structure of this program with Chris Hvinden
- Continue to work with the City to utilize outdoor rinks

Sponsorships – Mike Steindl

- All of our sponsorship fees from last year have been paid
- Starting to work on sponsors for next year

Registrar Report –Shelly Miller

No report submitted

Communications: – Shelli Nornes

Nothing to be reported

Tournament Committee: Traci Hays

Nothing to be reported

HOC Chair Report: Chris Hvinden

- HOC Operations meeting was held in March
- Going forward the committee will be discussing game counts
- Squirts – 27 game max will be looked at
- Pee Wee – 30/33 game max will be looked at
- Bantams – 35/40 game max will be looked at
- Want to focus more on practice to game ratio
- Chris has visited with Paul Ostoff and Paul would like to somehow revamp the upper lobby to develop a Dry Land facility. More discussions will need to be had on this discussion

- In prior years plans were drawn up so the Board will get a copy of these plans to review
- Anticipate 70 Squirts for next year would propose (A,B and 2 'C' teams)
- Pee Wee's and Bantams propose (A,B1 and B2) no C teams at either of these levels. Hard to find close teams to play outside of the district.
- Coaching Development, would like to see a mentor from the HOC Committee assigned to each level to help with whatever is needed. This will be implemented for next season
- There will also be more coaches clinics next year (1/2 ice plans, dealing with team issues etc.)
- Summer programs (Shot Club and some other fun items for kids to strive for in the off season). Would like to come up with some cool prizes (t-shirts, certificates etc.) Chris hopes to have this implemented within a couple of weeks.
- Comments brought up: 1) have we ever entertained bringing in 3rd party evaluators for placements; 2) would it be possible to get a roller blade league going in the summer
- We should now mid April if we received the equipment grant
- Will be some coaches positions to fill for next year: possibly Squirt A, Squirt B, Bantam B and U12

Handbook Review:

- Will note changes on a supplemental entry of items to be approved.
- M/S/P: approve with suggested changes

By-Laws: Approve By-Laws with suggested changes

M/S/P: Steve/Shawn

Special Election: Nominate Chuck Keller for MAHA Board Member and will be appointed as Gambling Chair

M/S/P: Mike.Darren

Follow-up Business:

- Add Brenda to the agenda after she meets with Paul so we know how much ice we have available
- Invite Paul Ostoff to our next Board meeting
- Approve Final changes to the HandBook
- Determine registration date

New Business:

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Next Regular Meeting

Monday, May 9th, 7pm 2011

Location : North Mankato Fire Station

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn at 9:20pm

M/S/P: Darren/Shawn