

April WHA Board Meeting Minutes
April 21st, 2013 -7:00pm @ Waseca Community Arena

Attendance: Kelly Heitkamp, Mike Rolling, Trent Morris, Al Kunz (non-voting), Brian Weller, Teresa Schumacher, Sharon Monshaugen, Darla Dahnert, Jason Attenberger, Amy Roessler, Martin Eberling
Future Board Member: Tracy Jevning

Called meeting to order at __7:04PM.

Approval of April's meeting agenda and March's regular meeting minutes.

Motion to approve the April's meeting agenda and the March's regular meeting minutes by Jason Attenberger and seconded by Brian Weller. Motion passes 7-0

Gambling Report: Al Kunz

Approval of February's Expenses _____X_____ Lawful purpose expenditures _____X_____

Pre-approval of April's _____X_____ Lawful purpose expenditures _____X_____

Record month. This is one of the best months the WHA has ever had. We will pay for this month's ice rent. Ice fees will then be assumed by the WHA for the next three months. Periodically the IRS does audits and we will be audited by the IRS this year. We also paid 1500.00 to the State of Minnesota for the licensing fees.

Motion to approve gambling report by Mike Rolling and seconded by Darla Dahnert. Motion passes 9-0.

Financial Report:

General Account Balance ___x___ Concession Account Balance ___x___

Everything is all paid up. Finances are looking good.

Guest Speaker:

Youth First: Mark Arjes – Arena advertising

We are looking at Youth 1st to help organize the advertising in the arena and help with grants. They want to involve the community and promote community involvement for all youth sports. They would like to start up a Waseca Chapter of Youth 1st. Focus on young person first, then the athlete and then a specific sport. Youth 1st has a model that they follow. WHA would be the lead organization in Waseca. The WHA board will review the hand out and forward questions to Kelly.

Pete Madel III – Review coaching season

Overview of 2012/2013 season was very good. Things went better this year. More challenges at the girls program due to numbers. Pete believes the younger groups improved more thru the skills training. Coaches all feel they had a good year. All coaches want to come back. The skills sessions will need to be tweaked but we feel that the skills were what helped the skaters get better throughout the year.

Interviews are happening this week for the varsity coach.

Julie Sommers - Calendars

Want calendars done before the return player registration in May. Julie has a calendar to review and passed it around for the board members to look at. Two new sponsorships were brought into the calendar. The advertising sponsorship will be close to covering the printing cost. Thank you to all our calendar sponsors! Discussed how many calendars should be printed. The checks for the calendars need to be separate from the association fees. We think we should print the 1100 calendars again this year. Julie will look at the numbers and shoot an email to Kelly.

Reports and Updates:

- District 9 update: April 29th is the District meeting. The vice president will be attending.
- Presidents Report:

Topics:

1. WHA Banquet-Kelly thanks everyone for the effort that the board put into the banquet. It was a success.
2. 2013-2014 Budget meeting.-Will be meeting to put a budget together.
3. High School Scholarships-Will set up a meeting to discuss.
4. Meeting with High School-Meeting is set up for April 23rd.
5. We thank Martin for all his work in putting the tournaments together.
6. We also thank Al Kunz for all the work he put into the association.
7. Do we need to think about paying the coaches for coaching the older groups? Just something to think about.

Committee Reports:

- Registration – Will discuss in the action items.
- Volunteer hours-
 - Lots of recommendations. Raise the number of volunteer hours. Kelly will put to a vote via email. We need the report from DIBS.
 - The 4 hours of volunteer for tournaments should not go towards the volunteer hours.
 - Wipe out accounts on website. Families have multiple accounts and it is very difficult to keep track of where the volunteer hours go. The suggestion is to have the account under the oldest player's name.
 - Make clear at registration on what hours are volunteer hours.
 - One person to collect hours and one to update the DIBS.
 - The DIBS was a ton easier than the old way and will get better.
- Equipment report HEP –
- Fundraising – no update.
- Tournaments – Tournaments for 2013/2014 are posted on the website.
- Website – no update
- Ice scheduler-no update.
- Concession stand- no update.

- Recruitment – Flyers ready. Still working on getting flyers handed out at our associated schools. Sharon is attending a “Grow Hockey” conference.
- Arena Liaison -
- Skate sharpening – no update
- Coaching coordinator – see guest speaker Coaches Coordinator above
- Officials coordinator – no update.

Discussion Items:

- Registration May 19th Will start at 4 or 4:30pm. Need all board members there to help. Need to have forms ready and a board member to explain what the form is and how to fill it out. Tracy will find out about super bingo tickets.
- Forms to handout at registration- policies and prices.
- Code of Conduct forms for parents and players-Need at the registration.
- Tax ramifications for general and concession stand accounts-Do we put what we have into savings or pay down and try to avoid taxes.
- DIBS recommendations-See above committee reports
- Do we want to purchase new uniforms for Bantams (sponsorships?)
 - Bantam jerseys can be fixed with having the strings permanently attached.
 - Check on sponsorship on jerseys
- New Ice schedule software-no update, maybe an expense that we move forward with.
- Locker room policy - Minnesota Hockey is requiring us to have a policy. Work is being done to have a policy in place for the start of the 2013/2014 season.
- Goalie Training – WHA is looking into the goalie club and maybe some ice time at Shattuck for the goalies.

Action Items:

- WHA Players Fee’s
 - Motion to increase the player’s fee for the 10U, Squirts, Peewee’s and Bantam’s by \$10.00 to keep up with the cost of ice time by Mike Rolling and seconded by Darla Dahnert. Motion passes 9-0.
- WHA Grade Eligibility Requirements
 - Tabled
- Mites and Ponies to join USA Hockey
 - Motion to change the fee for the Mites to \$250.00 and they register with USA Hockey which will cost them \$50.00 by Darla Dahnert. Motion seconded by Brian Weller. Motion passes 9-0
 - Motion to increase the new players’ fee to \$60.00 by Amy Roessler and seconded by Darla Dahnert. Motion fails 2-7.

- Ponies register with the USA Hockey for free. No change to Ponies fees.
- Change Bantam Tournament date (see website).
 - The decision to have a tournament needs to be made one month prior to the tournament date.
- Golf Tournament Prizes
 - Tabled
- WHA equipment rental deposit and fee
 - Motion to charge a \$30.00 fee for equipment rental with \$20.00 to be returned when the equipment is returned and \$10.00 will be kept by the WHA to cover the cost of the wear and tear of equipment. Seconded by Teresa Schumacher. Motion passes 8-1.
- Motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:38pm by Martin Eberling and seconded by Jason Attenberger. Motion passes 8-1.

Next Meeting May 19th, 2013 at 7:00 PM at the Waseca Community Arena