## Minutes for WYHA Board Meeting 6/3/13

President Gibson called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm.

**Present:** Greg Gibson, Alex Becker, Scott Gengler, Trevor Nelko, Mike Nispel, Rick Spaude, Bob Gardner, Colleen Sivets, Rob Rude, Tom Hewitt, Jerry Jensen, Erik Schindler, Brenda Senden, Steve Burk, Greg Luedke, Jennifer Martin, Tim Jewell.

**Secretary's Report:** ABecker motions to approve May minutes, second by TNelko, motion carries unanimously.

## **President's Report – Greg Gibson:**

GGibson distributed the contact list for the website, circulated through the board for updates/corrections.

**Marketing – Erik Schindler:** Expanded messaging will be going out during the registration process, with an multi piece promo being constructed, including postcards, girls specific hockey, "Try Hockey for Free" from USA Hockey which provides a \$40 voucher applicable to the  $1^{st}$  year of mites. Visibility into our sponsors will be a priority.

## **Administration – Alex Becker:**

All equipment ordering is in process, noting new game jersey's for U12/PW this season. White boards for locker rooms have been finalized, simply awaiting the decision on whether a sponsor would like to make a donation to be the white board sponsor. Jerry Jensen will continue discussions with this possible sponsor.

**Treasurer's Report**-Tim Jewell, BPK&Z: Review and discussion about outstanding team balances and the process to close checkbooks prior to completion of the fiscal year ensued. There is \$22,000 to be collected of which approximately \$19,000 resides in the team checking accounts. The remaining \$3,000 balance will be settled through scholarships. Overall, the association maintains a healthy balance sheet and is on track to conclude the fiscal year with a similar cash position as the previous year.

**Charitable Gambling**-Tom Hewitt: Estimated profit for May was \$9,500. Fiscal year end is June 30th, and the Gambling operation will make a donation to the City of Plymouth in the amount of \$70,000 which will be applied as ice credits to the 2013-2014 WYHA teams. SGengler motions to approve monthly results for May and report to Board, second by TNelko, motion carries unanimously. July expenses estimated to be \$24,000 SGengler motions to approve July estimated expenses of \$24,000, TNelko seconds, motion carries unanimously.

**Tournaments**-Mike Nispel: First advertisement in Let's Pay Hockey publishes this month, tournament committee already engaging in outbound communications to last year's participants to recruit for registration. Website has been updated and enhanced to make registration easier and to facilitate a more efficient process for the participants and administrators. Pricing for tournaments was adjusted to help raise attendance. Still in need of tournament directors to facilitate the tournaments.

**Registrar**-Colleen Sivets: Website content will be updated with registration opening August 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Safesport**-Jennifer Martin: No new report.

**BlueLine – Brenda Senden:** Blueline is in search for a new President, and 1 to 2 people to administrate medical bags for the upcoming season. Volunteer hours will be set at 12 for the upcoming season based on estimated requirements for 2013-2014. Spreadsheet with calculation was distributed and discussed. Blueline hereby makes a contribution to WYHA in the amount of \$30,000 for their efforts

in 2012-2013. Check was provided to TJewel from BPK&Z. Brenda was thanked by the entire board for her many years of service to WYHA and for leading the Blueline organization.

## **District 3 – Mark Brandt, Bob Gardner Rick Spaude:** No new report.

**Mites Program – Scott Gengler:** Due to anticipated registration numbers, the Advanced Mite team structure will decrease from 12 teams to 10 teams for the 2013-2014 season. The tier system will continue but be revised with Tier 1 being all 1<sup>st</sup> year Advanced Mites, Tier 2 being both 1<sup>st</sup> year and 2<sup>nd</sup> year Advanced Mites and Tier 3 will house no new, or 1<sup>st</sup> year Advanced Mites. The objective is to align players with other players of similar ability, but to also maintain players in age appropriate tiers. This realignment was done, in part, based on a survey conducted with the families at the Mite level. Advanced mites are also exploring the possibility of participating in scrimmages with other associations a few times throughout the season either in a scrimmage or jamboree format. Motion to approve new Advanced Mite structure made by ABecker, seconded by RRude. Motion carries unanimously.

**Boy's Travel – Rob Rude:** There is still a need for Squirt and Bantam level coordinators and we will need help with tryout evaluators in the fall. Tryout dates are finalized and will be posted to the website prior to registration commencing.

**Coaches Committee**-Greg Luedke: The Coaches Committee nominates the following coaches for approval to coach at the U10 level: *Dave Hackley, Erik Schindler, Brett Abrahamson, Randy Ehlers, Erik Jacobs, Mark Steen, Troy Nelson, Adam Hameed, Trent Schoen, Bill Riviere, Paul Brunner, Paul Bergstrom, Jess Troyak, Nissa Manley, John Score, Steve Paidosh, Mark Lavender, Jonathan Lindahl. Motion made by SGengler, seconded by RRude (ESchindler excluded due to having a child at that level), motion carries unanimously.* 

The Coaches Committee nominates the following coaches for approval to coach at the U12 level: *Jeff Urban, Dave Hackley, Nick Heyer, Glen Prodahl, Erik Schindler, Ric Schommer, Chad Johnson, Jim Dailey, Paul Bergstrom, Joe Egan, Rich Scattergood, Duane Crandall, Joe St. Martin, Mike Gardner, Tom Burke, Dave Laugen, PJ McCollins, Brad Nelson, Steve Tix, Terry McCormick, Beth Brown, Bill Leminh, Tom Olson, Duane Halverson, Russ Orning, Lance Wahlin, Abdish Bahsavar.* Motion made by SGengler, seconded by RRude (ESchindler excluded due to having a child at that level), motion carries unanimously.

The Coaches Committee nominates the following coaches for approval to coach at the U14 level: *Rob Rude, John Russo, Tov Rezabek, Jeff Bangen, Jim Higgins, Jeff Marshall, Jason Luedtke, Steve Triplett, Joe Egan, Ric Schommer, Jeff Pearson, Matt Mortenson, Tim Hartigan, Duane Crandall, Terry McCormick, Beth Brown.* Motion made by SGengler, seconded by ESchindler (RRude excluded due to having a child at that level), motion carries unanimously.

**Player Development**-Trevor Nelko, Mark Brandt: Coach advisory group continues to provide good feedback on team structures. Player Development proposes to modify the team structures for 2013-2014 at the PW AA and PW A level to incorporate 13 skaters (as opposed to 15 skaters). Board discussion ensued and it was determined that further review and discussion at PD was warranted with a revised proposal on team structures to be presented at a future meeting.

Junior Gold-Steve Burk: No report.

**Old Business:** No other previous business discussed.

**New Business:** No new business presented.

RRude motioned to adjourn the meeting, second by ABecker, meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

**2013 Meetings:** 7/8, 8/5, 9/9, 10/7, 11/4, 12/2 **2014 Meetings:** 1/6, 2/3, 3/3, 4/7, 5/5, 6/2, 7/7 **Annual Meeting of Members:** April 26, 2014; 10:00am PIC Center Ice room