

WHA Board Meeting Minutes
October 20th, 2013 -7:00pm @ Waseca Community Arena

Attendance: Kelly Heitkamp, Mike Rolling, Trent Morris, Al Kunz , Brian Weller, Teresa Schumacher, Darla Dahnert, Jason Attenberger, Tracy Jevning, Amy Roessler, Jeff Herbst, Jeremy Brown, Julie Miller

Called meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Approval of October meeting agenda and September regular meeting minutes.

Motion to approve the October meeting agenda and the September regular meeting minutes by Jason A. and seconded by Mike R. Motion passes 7-0

Gambling Report: Al Kunz

Approval of August's Expenses _____x_____ Lawful purpose expenditures _____x_____

Pre-approval of October's expenses ___x_____ Lawful purpose expenditures _____X_____

Things continue to do well.

Motion to approve gambling report by Jeremy B. and seconded by Jeff H. Motion passes 8-0.

Guest Speaker: None

Financial Report:

General Account Balance ___x__ Concession Account Balance ___x_____

Motion to approve financial report by Mike R. and seconded by Jeremy B. Passes 10-0

Reports and Updates:

- District 9 update: Scheduling meeting October 27th. Need a SafeSport Coordinator.
- Presidents Report:
 1. Arena Contract –move to discussion
 2. Board member photo's- Recommendation to have each board member picture on the web.
 3. Spring/Summer Large Band Fundraiser-Found an establishment that will sponsor the event. One band has given us a discount.
 4. Bauer equipment day- went well – Hockey Giant didn't get pricing from 4 Seasons so the forms were difficult to give a price. There is still a 15% discount at HG if you let them know you are from WHA. Thanks Justin.
 5. Update on PeeWee coaches- Brad Dushaw will coach one of the teams and Luke Mathern will coach the other.
 6. Community Ed Learn to skate program update-Brad D. wants to do something through the community ed and would like the hockey association to be involved. We agree and want Brad to run with it.

Committee Reports:

- Registration – Moved down with team discussion

- Volunteer hours (DIBBS) – Golf Tournament and Bingo will be going in. Solution to delete multiple accounts. Anthony could manually delete if needed. Skate guards will get concession hours.
- Equipment report HEP – Good. Couple stragglers. Goalie equipment. John H. recommends we get some mite jerseys. Start a program so the mites have a jersey they purchase at the beginning of the year and can keep if they want. We need to spend some money and update jerseys. Mite and Pony we can get uniform's. Jason will get a quote for Mites, Pony, 12U and Squirts. Need the Velcro placard on the back? Squirts and 12U are in the best shape.
- Fundraising – Salt Sale.
- Tournaments – 5 - 10U teams and 6 - 12u teams signed up. Need one more 10U, nothing for PeeWee (will need parents to help), Bantams – 4 teams including us, One Squirt team signed up. We are one of the cheapest tournaments around.
- Ice scheduler- Adding 11 o'clock Sunday Ponies. Scheduled through first week of Nov. Scheduling meeting Oct. 27th so there will be changes after this meeting.
- Concession stand - no discussion
- Recruitment – no discussion.
- Arena Liaison/HS – Still working on contract. Kelly will attend the winter sports meeting.
- Anthony Martens-website coordinator recommends having board member pictures.
- Concession Stand-no discussion
- Coaching Coordinator- no discussion
- Official's coordinator – Tom Holtz – No proposal for referee fee.

Discussion Items:

- Arena contract-Talked about tournament ice fees and sweeping the bleachers. WHA will not sweep the bleachers. Discussed a Net Net lease. The hourly rate doesn't make any since because we pay for the HS teams. Want to set a flat price to simplify the contract. Discussed the key agreement and WAB only wanted Brian and Marya would share a key. We have been asking for a key for years and now we find out that the Pepsi guy has a key and although we are the main tenant we can't get one. We need an Arena manager that will work with the WHA. The Arena board only meets 6 times a year and really doesn't want to deal with any issues and rely on the manager to deal with them, all though the WAB is the Arena manager's boss. We are asked of our financial statements which seems a bit odd. We should be receiving the same financial statements from the Waseca Arena Board. The Arena manager was invited to this meeting and he said he would attend but did not show up. We need to be involved with the new Waseca Community Arena contract with the school. Brian will check on this.
- Salt Sale results- Was down from last year.
 - Winners of the salt sale- Simon Sommers Wild jersey, Andy Roessler \$100.00 off registration and Earl Hansen \$200.00 off registration.
- Final details on USA Hockey try Hockey free for a day Nov. 2nd - Set new time 4:45pm due to Girls Hockey scrimmage. The flyers were sent to schools.

- WHA Sponsorship update-Doing well. Getting more money in. Getting close to \$12,000. Gold, Silver and Bronze are a 3 year commitment. Advertisements and banners are being produced. Props out to Tracy and Brian for getting this going.
- Official WHA team uniform colors (Breezers, Helmet, Glove)- Waseca HS is going back to Royal Blue. Let's try to get a uniform look to our teams. Need a list on the webpage for members to go to so they can be aware of what colors to make new purchases at. Need a vote on the colors next month.
- WHA Goalie Registration fee – action item for November meeting.
- Outdoor rink Southside Arena – Received quotes \$40,000 for the cement work and \$15,000 for the boards plus the lighting so the final number could be around \$75,000. We have been waiting for at least a year for approval. The outdoor ice sheet would allow more time on the ice when the HS teams take 4 hours of ice a night and the WHA can't use the ice we pay for. This will not happen this year but would like to have it next year.
- 2014-2015 WHA girls team projections/HS girls coach and 8th grade players move up Policy
 - HS coach will move up 8th graders, it's his policy. There was one player that's 12U eligible and made a big difference on the WHA board's decisions on what teams we should have in the girls program. One player makes a big difference when the teams are right at the cutoff of being able to have a team or not. It would also help the girls program if all the girls would join the girl's teams. We need better communication from the HS coach so we can be more upfront at registration when teams are being formed.
 - If all the 8th graders go next year we will only have 9 players next year. We have a lack of involvement from the HS girls coach with the WHA to be able to keep teams in the WHA. The WHA is concerned about the stability of the girls program and the HS coach should too because eventually there may not be enough players to support a HS team. It's not good to keep moving the younger players up to a higher level. They would be better suited to develop at the correct level.
- Arena Dehumidification System – Being worked on plan for price quoting. Details of plan set for the spring/summer of 2014.
- WHA donated skates – Arena manager took them and painted them all Blue. We need the skates separated so the WHA hockey skates can only be used for the members that need them and the open skate skates can be painted Blue.
- HS Hockey senior banners-Seniors are doing them. Players paid for them.
- Status of WHA Strategic planning committee – Kelly, Amy, Brian, Tracy.
- New ice schedule software- Looking into Google Calendar. Trent will help Kyle out to get this going.

Action Items:

- Mite player move ups- motion to have John H. invite players to move up and they fill out the move up form, due Wednesday Oct. 23rd by Jeremy B. and seconded by Jason A. motion passes 7-3
- WHA team levels(116 players)

- (1) Bantam, 1 12U, (2) Pee Wee equal B's, (1) Squirt B, (1) Squirt C, (1) Mite and (1) Pony. Motion to approve teams by Amy R. and seconded by Jeff H. Passes 8-2
- Approval of WHA Safe Sport Coordinator – Nominate Sharon M. by Mike R and seconded by Brian W. Passes 9-1. We will start with Sharon and offer it to someone else if they want to.
- Approval of Salt Sale Prize Winners – Motion to approve by Darla D. and seconded by Brian W. Motion passes 10-0.
- WHA reimbursement for away tournaments – moved to next month
- Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:43pm by Brian W. and seconded by Amy R. Motion approved 10-0.

Next Meeting Wednesday, November 20th, 2013 at 6:30 PM at the Waseca Community Arena