

**West Fargo Hockey Association  
Board of Directors Meeting  
April 21, 2014  
Veterans Memorial Arena  
West Fargo, North Dakota – 6:00 p.m.**

1. Call to Order: President Krank called meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.
2. Attendance: Board members in attendance were: Lance Belisle, Ryan Clouse, Cal Helgeson, Scott Krank, Tim Nissen, Robb Peterson, Mike Prochnow, Stephanie Strand, Matt Weber, Jay Ystebo and Business Manager, Mark Lester. Absent: Erik Holmberg. Guests: Matt Bradley, Joel Cummings, Greg Evenson, Ryan Griggs, and Jason Triplett.
3. Reading and Approval of Minutes of the March 17, 2014, Meeting: No meeting was held last month due to the number of board members present to form a quorum.
4. Unfinished Business: Cal Helgeson stated a discussion was held amongst board members regarding the sponsorship marketing agreement with Scheels. Scheels will provide a set of team jerseys (home and away), offer jerseys at cost, and would replicate the current jerseys; (the numbers on the jerseys would be wider). Items would be available on-line and for immediate purchase. Scheels will donate four to five sets of jerseys (home and away) each year. A set of jerseys will be available for purchase if immediate purchase should be needed. They are offering WFHA the same agreement that has been offered to the Fargo Freeze. Cal Helgeson made a motion to have WFHA accept the sponsorship agreement with Scheels, with an amendment that Play it Again Sports would retain the Termite and Mite jersey program. Lance Belisle seconded motion, with an amendment of the number of jerseys donated, to be added to the contract. Motion carried.
5. Financial Report & Gaming Update:
  - A. Financial Update – Mark Lester: Current cash balance as of April 2014, is \$557,911.90. Cal Helgeson made a motion to approve the cash balance and financials. Robb Peterson seconded motion. Motion carried.
  - B. Gaming Update – Tina Iverson: Absent, no report.
  - C. Financials: Mark Lester stated the invoice to Scheels for the Gun Raffle event has not been paid. (The cash balance will be less once payments are made). WFHA is \$100,000 ahead this year compared to last year (in the month of April). Net receipts from March 9 to April 14 are high. This is due to the final ice payment, coach salaries and some gun raffle invoices.

Mark stated the gaming proposal with Pink Pussycats was not approved. The final audit for financials has not been finalized. Once this is completed, a copy will be sent to the board members.

6. Benefits for Gaming Staff: Stephanie Strand made a motion to have WFHA pay 80% of the monthly health, dental, and vision insurance for 3 full-time gaming employees. Cal Helgeson seconded motion. Motion carried.
7. President: President Krank handed over the Presidency position to Tim Nissen. President Nissen recognized the work Cal Helgeson and Lance Belisle have done during their tenure on the board.
8. Welcome New Board Members: President Nissen stated the vote tally results for the new board members were: Ryan Clouse - 28, Matt Weber - 24, Joel Cummings - 23, Matt Bradley - 22, Robb Peterson - 5, Kelly Heart - 0. Stephanie Strand made a motion to accept the vote tally for the new board members. Mike Prochnow seconded motion. Motion carried.
9. President Elect: President Nissen stated volunteers are needed for President-Elect. Mike Prochnow stated he would volunteer for the position. Stephanie Strand made a motion to accept the unanimous casted ballot for Mike Prochnow. Joel Cummings seconded motion. Motion carried.
10. Hockey Operations: No report.
11. Coordinators Updates:
  - A. Termite & Mite – Jade Nelson: Absent, no report.
  - B. Squirt - Ryan Griggs: No report.
  - C. PeeWee – Jason Triplett: Getting ready for summer camps; coaches will be Jason Triplett, Ryan Griggs, Dave Benson, and Heath Rydell. President Krank stated there are currently 76 players signed up. Jason Triplett stated there will be 3 new Peewee age kids moving into town and will be joining WFHA.
  - D. Bantam – Dave Benson: Absent, no report.
  - E. Girls Teams - Pat Johnson: Absent, no report.
12. Board Member Expectations/Assignments: President Nissen stated changes of board committee structure, if any, should be directed to him.

13. 2014-15 Handbook: President Nissen stated he would like to finalize the handbook and vote on the handbook changes/revisions at May's board meeting. Requirements for player movement was discussed last month. Board members need to review the policy and changes that need to be made, if any, can be approved at the May meeting as well. Scott Krank stated the handbook will be sent to board members tonight.
14. Registration: President Nissen stated he would like to have registration opened in June in order to have a prediction of the number of players and the number of teams per level for next season. Scott Krank stated fees for the 2014-15 season needs to be approved at the May meeting in order to have registration opened in June.
15. 10,000 Shot Club: President Nissen stated Joel Cummings is assigned to run the program this summer. Cal Helgeson stated the site is not open yet for registration but the proposal for Border States' sponsorship has been submitted. The dates for the program are from June 1 to September 30. The video is still on the WFHA website (shows the proper way of shooting pucks). Last year there were 25 participants, two more than the participants from 2012.
16. Matching Funds Update: Lance Belisle stated a check was mailed to the WFHA office for matching funds with West Fargo Parks District. The amount of \$5,000 was approved.
17. Jersey's/Apparel: Refer to Un-finished Business.
18. Future Ice: Mike Prochnow stated, he, along with Mark Lester and Erik Holmberg met with Sanford and Fargo Youth Hockey. A possible donation might be available by a donor. Mark Lester stated there was a possible donation for 2 sheets of ice at the Scheels arena. Discussion held. Mike Prochnow made a motion to make \$10,000 available for blueprint and architect fees for a future ice arena. Lance Belisle seconded motion. Motion carried.
19. Fundraising:
  - A. Host Tournaments – Jay Ystebo/Ryan Clouse: No Report.
  - B. Fall Raffle – Tim Nissen: No Report.
  - C. Pizza – Lance Belisle: No Report.
  - D. Gun Raffle – Mike Prochnow: Mark Lester stated all tickets were sold (5,990 tickets), except for a booklet. The gross amount for the banquet was \$55,000; gross amount for tickets were \$295,000. The estimated income of ticket sales and banquet is roughly \$135,000. Cal Helgeson stated the event went well, had a good turnout.

E. Center Ice – Tim Nissen and Matt Weber: Robb Peterson stated there was a Center Ice meeting last month; beginning to look at options for this year's event. Discussion included having the event at a new venue along with having the event after the season begins.

F. Grow the Game – Lance Belisle: No report.

20. New Business:

21. Adjournment: Robb Peterson moved to adjourn the meeting and Scott Krank seconded motion. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m. Next meeting will be May 19, at the Veterans Memorial Arena, at 6:00 p.m.