

**West Fargo Hockey Association
Board of Directors Meeting
May 19, 2014
Veterans Memorial Arena
West Fargo, North Dakota – 6:00 p.m.**

1. Call to Order: President Nissen called meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.
2. Attendance: Board members in attendance were: Matt Bradley, Ryan Clouse, Joel Cummings, Scott Krank, Tim Nissen, Mike Prochnow, Stephanie Strand, Matt Weber, Jay Ystebo and Business Manager, Mark Lester. Absent: Erik Holmberg and Robb Peterson. Guests: None
3. Reading and Approval of Minutes of the April 21, 2014, Meeting: Scott Krank made a motion to approve the minutes. Mike Prochnow seconded motion. Motion carried and the minutes were approved.
4. Unfinished Business: None
5. Financial Report & Gaming Update:
 - A. Financial Update – Mark Lester: Current cash balance as of May 2014, is \$493,419.72. Mike Prochnow made a motion to approve the cash balance and financials. Matt Bradley seconded motion. Motion carried.
 - B. Gaming Update – Tina Iverson: Absent, no report.
 - C. Financials: Mark Lester stated the All State Bank account is completely empty; all funds are now at Western State Bank. The cash balance reflected this month takes the Scheels payment into account. Gaming continues to increase, had a successful pizza fundraiser, fall raffle and gun raffle sales this past season. The final tally from the gun raffle event is not yet available. There are still a couple more invoices that have not been received. The percent of gaming income is 31%, continues to be solid, but will decrease in June and July due to summer months. Have looked at other sites, but no site has been established. Border Town wants to add bingo to their gaming. Will keep board posted on the situation.
6. Hockey Operations: President Nissen stated Hockey Operations is preparing for summer camps. The number of registered players is good, but Squirt numbers are still low. Scott Krank stated there are 103 total so far; Termites and Mites are full. Scott will send another email to association to remind them of summer camps. Since the Girls' numbers are low, the session will be canceled (8U will be moved with the Mites). There are a few Goalies registered, but coaches

have been informed that more Goalies can be added. Need to decide what to do with dryland. Coordinators would like to coordinate a program with Sanford, have dryland at the WFHA facility. This would assist in having parents eliminate the drive to Sanford. The shooting cage will be utilized; Mike Prochnow will work on getting it ready. Based on the feedback from this past season, the number of attendance was due to having to run players to and from Sanford and the rink. President Nissen stated there will be 5 Squirt teams, 4 Peewees, and 3 Bantams based on numbers from last year (if all players are returning). Having 2 goalies per team would be ideal, but in order to reach this goal, the need of goalies needs to be promoted. Jay Ystebo suggested having goalie pads small enough to fit Termites and start utilizing them at that level. President Nissen stated it would be a good idea, since our program currently incorporates goalie drills and skills at the Mite level. Having players start at Termite level would benefit once they reached Mites. The PeeWee B1 State Tournament next year will be hosted by WFHA. The High School will be hosting the State High School Tournament next year as well.

7. Coordinators Updates:

- A. Termite & Mite – Jade Nelson: Absent, no report.
 - B. Squirt - Ryan Griggs: Absent, no report.
 - C. PeeWee – Jason Triplett: Absent, no report.
 - D. Bantam – Dave Benson: Absent, no report.
 - E. Girls Teams - Pat Johnson: Absent, no report.
8. 2014-15 Handbook: President Nissen stated during the last Hockey Operations meeting, player movement was discussed. It's poorly written in the Handbook. A petition for a player to be with level (based on grade) will be allowed. No other petitions will be allowed, unless it's needed. This will be at the discretion of a coordinator and will be decided upon, by a coordinator, as they see fit. Once the decision by the coordinator is made, final approval will be made by the board. President Nissen will write the language for the player movement request, and will route to the board for review and revisions. This will be changed in the Handbook for the 2014-15 season.
9. 10,000 Shot Club: Joel Cummings stated the funding is secure but still working on website and will be open soon. An email will be sent to association when the site is open for registration. June 1 to September 30 are the dates for the event. Mike Prochnow stated the shooting lane upstairs will be done soon and will be done prior to the start of the Greenline Camp. The tarp cost was less than anticipated.

10. Jerseys/Apparel: Matt Bradley stated the Scheels agreement is in the works, jersey finalization will be brought to next month's meeting. Need to check with Cal Helgeson on more information; have not been included on emails between Cal and Scheels. President Nissen stated a Termite and 10U team will be added this coming season. Jerseys for the additions need be ordered ASAP.
11. Future Ice: Mike Prochnow stated he had another meeting with FYHA and Sanford. FYHA is more than willing to cooperate with a 2-sheet ice facility. Need to meet again to discuss options. Spoke with Barb from the City of West Fargo; she proposed having a meeting to discuss options. She would like to incorporate having other sports (i.e. soccer, baseball) use facility as well. Discussion held.
12. 2014-15 Registration: Scott Krank stated the late fee and registration deadline needs to be confirmed. President Nissen stated a late fee will not apply this season. Families will get a discount if they register between a certain date. Once the certain date is passed, the registration fee will increase by \$100. This policy will be for returning players only. June 1 is the goal to have registration open, with first payment due in June and ending October 1.
13. Board Member Expectations/Assignments: No report.
14. Volunteers: No report.
15. Fundraising:
 - A. Host Tournaments – Jay Ystebo/Ryan Clouse: No Report.
 - B. Fall Raffle – Tim Nissen: No Report.
 - C. Pizza: No Report.
 - D. Gun Raffle – Mike Prochnow: Mark Lester stated no final updates available but will be provided at the June meeting. The next two years are set for the Holiday Inn.
 - E. Center Ice – Tim Nissen and Matt Weber: President Nissen stated the location will be at the Cambria (September 26) and the seeking of donations has begun.
 - F. Grow the Game: No report.
16. New Business: None

17. Adjournment: Scott Krank moved to adjourn the meeting and Mike Prochnow seconded motion. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m. Next meeting will be June 16, 2014, at the Veterans Memorial Arena, at 6:00 p.m.