WIAMA Board of Directors Meeting February 26th, 2014 Tri-County Arena, Neenah WI

Present: Jim Arnold, Bob Schrieber, Aaron Mull, Mike Elam, Eric Baltramonas, Ryan Blick, Paul Trebiatowski, Jason Woods, Nancy Hacker, Don Chilson, Bud Sheldon (via telephone)

Others Present: John Monteleone – Serving The American Rinks

President Bob Schreiber called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

Agenda Approval: A motion to approve the agenda was made by Jason Woods and seconded by Aaron Mull. The motion carried.

<u>Secretary's Report</u>: A motion to approve the secretary's report was made by Paul Trebiatowski and seconded by Ryan Blick. The motion carried.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Nancy reported that membership renewals are coming in and that some spring conference payments were already coming in.

Income: \$13,196.33 Expense: 1,095.00 Total: \$ 7,761.30

A motion to approve the treasure's report was made by Jason Woods and seconded by Don Chilson. The motion carried.

Spring Conference: The board will meet at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday April 23rd to go over last minute conference details and stuff packets for Thursday morning. Nancy will make sure we have snacks set up for after the golf outing and make sure there is cheese the meal on Thursday.

Kevin Erhlenbach will be the representative from USA Hockey and Erin Schopf will be the representative for US Figure Skating at the conference this year. (side note as of 3/25/2014 the representative for US Figure Skating has changed, it is now Linda Alexander who will be attending).

Key note speaker: Don, Bud and Eric are all working on trying to get someone for the conference.

Bud Sheldon has said that he will work with STAR on trying to get an announcement that can go out to all the volunteer rinks through WAHA about the WIAMA conference, pertaining particularly to air quality in the rinks and possible legislation coming our way.

Bud also informed the board that in August WAHA will be having a one day seminar for the new hockey association presidents; this might be an excellent time for WIAMA to be there. Nancy suggested that maybe we could somehow combine the fall fire up with this meeting. We will keep Bud informed of the fall fire up date.

Bud has asked to step down from attending the WIAMA board meetings in person. He would be willing to attend via telephone but does not wish to drive for the meetings. He is still very interested in helping us out with anything we need. The board will leave him as the WAHA representative and have him on via speaker phone for meetings. Bob Schreiber suggested that we on the WIAMA board should be attending more of the WAHA meetings.

Bob Schreiber will contact Barb at the Kalahari for a shuttle for the figure skating track and will also look into how much it might cost for a shuttle for the golf outing as well.

Eric Baltramonas continued through the remainder of the conference agenda. John Monteleone said that he will contact Dave Wescott and they will work together on the conference agenda items that STAR will be handling.

Bob Schreiber and Mike Elam are working on trying to get a few more new vendors for WIAMA.

Mike Elam and Jim Arnold will be working on putting together the design of the t-shirt for this year. They will then get the information to Larry Clemens. Once the t-shirt design has been figured out Jim will send the board of a proof of both the polo shirt (board shirt) and the t-shirt.

Mike Elam and John Monteleone will work with Dave Wescott and Steven's Engineers to get the session for Friday set.

Bob Schreiber volunteered to check into the cost of tablets for the conference large door prize this year. Don Chilson will handle getting the door prizes.

Eric will update the conference agenda and send it out to everyone once that has been completed.

Bylaws: The bylaws are being worked on by Bob and his lawyer and will be sent out to the membership so that at the spring conference they can be voted on.

<u>New Website</u>: Nancy should send out an email that all members of WIAMA should make sure they become members of the website so that if we want information to be available to members only we can do that.

Fall Fire Up: We will try to wrap this up via email as soon as possible. John Monteleone from STAR has proposed a regional training course that would tie into the fall fire up. John gave his proposal to the board and explained that STAR has not given any regional training courses here in Wisconsin with the exception of one a few years ago at the Greenheck Arena. They would like to do a three year partnership with WIAM to offer two different classes each year. A rink manager would be able to complete a CIRM without leaving the state. They would handle registrations, they would give discounts to WIAMA members. STAR would give a free class each year. WIAMA would also receive \$25.00 per registration from STAR. The cost would be \$595.00 per class per person. STAR would help work on our fixed costs as well. Jim Arnold will contact the KB Willett to see if Bob Gregorich could accommodate us for the Fall Fire Up. Jim will start organizing working toward October 6th or 13th. The Fall Fire Up would be on Thursday. We could still do a SIRO class the day before. Jim will follow up with emails once he has spoken with Bob at the K.B. Willett.

Don Chilson made a motion to accept the proposal from STAR for the Regional Training Courses. A second to the motion was made by Mike Elam. The motion carried.

<u>NARCE</u>: Don, Bob and Jason will all be going this year. Mike or Don will be driving and either one may be able to take WIAMA's booth with them.

<u>2015 Spring Conference</u>: The location for the 2015 conference needs to be secured soon. Bob will begin to contact the Dells hotels to help with cost.

<u>Lifetime Achievement Awards</u>: 2 lifetime achievement awards will be presented this year at the spring conference. The names will be revealed at the conference.

Next meeting date: April 9th, 10:00 a.m. at the Kalahari Resort.

<u>Meeting adjourned</u>: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mike Elam and seconded by Jason Woods, the meeting adjourned at 11:17 a.m.