

**West Fargo Hockey Association  
Board of Directors Meeting  
September 15, 2015  
Veterans Memorial Arena  
West Fargo, North Dakota – 6:00 p.m.**

1. Call to Order: President Nissen called meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.
2. Attendance: Board members in attendance were: Lance Belisle, Matt Bradley, Ryan Clouse, Joel Cummings, Tim Nissen, Robb Peterson, Mike Prochnow, Stephanie Strand, and Jay Ystebo. Absent: Scott Krank, Matt Weber, and Business Manager, Mark Lester. Guests: Perry Vetter.
3. Reading and Approval of Minutes of the August 18, 2014, Meeting: Mike Prochnow made a motion to approve the minutes. Ryan Clouse seconded motion. Motion carried and the minutes were approved.
4. Unfinished Business: None
5. Financial Report & Gaming Update:
  - A. Financial Update – Mark Lester: No report for the current cash balance was reported due to the absence of the Business Manager, Mark Lester.
  - B. Gaming Update – Tina Iverson: Absent, no report.
  - C. Financials: No report for the current cash balance was reported due to the absence of the Business Manager, Mark Lester.
6. Hockey Operations: President Nissen stated a discussion was held and Bob Bye will now be the State representative for the SE District. Camps are nearly full and emails have been sent to all participants. Mike Prochnow stated the summer schedule for ice rental in Vets 2 needs to be handled by WFHA in order to have ice during the summer months. Camps can run longer, have a 3 on 3 league, and have a goal of having 400 hours of ice time for the months of June and July. Ideas such as these need to be finalized by February.
7. Coordinators Updates:
  - A. Termite & Mite – Jade Nelson: Absent, no report.
  - B. Squirt - Ryan Griggs: It has been discussed that there will be five teams for Squirts if the registration number increases. There will be approximately 150 players for Squirts and

the same structure from last year will be utilized. The coaching staff for Squirts is in the process of being finalized; there will be a few parent volunteers.

- C. PeeWee – Jason Triplett: Coaching for PeeWees is covered.
  - D. Bantam – Dave Benson: No update.
  - E. Girls Teams - Pat Johnson: 14U is low on numbers for registration. The 10U and 8U numbers are up.
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- 8. Filling Erik Holmberg's Roles: President Nissen stated the board needs to fill the role held by Erik Holmberg prior to the start of the season. All board members and coaching staff are required to complete Safesport. President Nissen and Joel Cummings will assist in making sure the requirement is completed by all. Compliance Committee should be a group effort. Discussion held. Matt Weber will be the head of the committee; Scott Krank, Robb Peterson, Ryan Clouse and Stephanie Strand will assist.
  - 9. New Game Scoring Method for the State: President Nissen stated there is a new game scoring method beginning this season. The game scores need to be administered by a person and reported to the State via on-line. Ryan Clouse stated only team games scores, not individual player stats, should be reported. Discussion held. Mike Prochnow made a motion to name Perry Vetter the official game score reporter for WFHA and will receive two years of Dib hours. Game scores are due each Monday at 8 pm and reported by team managers. Robb Peterson seconded motion. Motion carried.
  - 10. Coaching Salaries: President Nissen discussed the new guidelines for coaching salaries. Increases are imminent to stay competitive. Lance Belisle made a motion to begin the season with the new pay structure and to have the flexibility to compensate other experienced coaches (from other associations) at the proper level. Joel Cummings seconded motion. Motion carried.
  - 11. Off-Ice Training: President Nissen stated a proposal for off-ice training was suggested by Parker Metz. At this time negotiations with Sanford are on-going. Discussion held. Jay Ystebo made a motion to approve Parker Metz's proposal for off-ice training for a total of one year. Robb Peterson seconded motion. Motion carried.
  - 12. Future Ice: Mike Prochnow stated he discussed future ice with West Fargo Parks and shared the information with West Fargo Baseball and the West Fargo Soccer associations. Mike discussed possibly initiating a measure of City sales tax for the project. All groups interested would need to be involved in the planning with at least 3-4 people from each group for representation. Discussion held regarding the email sent by Mike Prochnow.

13. 10,000 Shot Club: Joel Cummings stated 19 players have completed the goal thus far.
14. Registration – Stephanie Strand: There are currently 417 players registered.
15. Board Member Expectations/Assignments: No report.
16. Volunteers: No report.
17. Fundraising:
  - A. Host Tournaments – Jay Ystebo/Ryan Clouse: One team has registered and there are 5-6 teams who are interested in participating. President Nissen will talk to Tim Capouch to have information sent to other associations.
  - B. Fall Raffle – Matt Weber/Matt Bradley: Matt Bradley stated packets will be provided during team meetings. A jet ski and a four-wheeler have been secured as prizes for the drawing.
  - C. Pizza – Joel Cummings/Matt Bradley: No Report.
  - D. Gun Raffle – Mike Prochnow/Mark Lester: Mike Prochnow stated the committee met the previous week. There are new ideas for the banquet. The goal is to have tickets available for sale in October.
  - E. Center Ice – Tim Nissen/Robb Peterson: Robb Peterson stated 300 tickets have been sold so far. Door prizes and donations are going well; event planning is shaping up.
  - F. Marketing – Jay Ystebo/Matt Bradley: No report.
  - G. Grow the Game – Lance Belisle/Jay Ystebo: There was a great response to the Intro to Hockey. The need for new ice will be even greater in the next 3 years when these participants reaches Mite and Squirt levels.
18. New Business: The layout of the team meetings were discussed briefly and will be discussed further at next month's meeting.
19. Adjournment: Lance Belisle moved to adjourn the meeting and Jay Ystebo seconded motion. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 9:03 p.m. Next meeting will be XX, at the Veterans Memorial Arena, at 6:00 p.m.