

Omaha Hockey Club
January Board meeting, minutes
January 20, 2015

1. **Call to order @ 6:05** by President Mike Dudzinski.
Roll Call; Excused – Kozol, Salem, Decker, Hutton
Present – Dudzinski, Chubb, Nickodym, Hughes, Arnold, Wilson, Ketterson
2. **Secretary's Report** – Motion by Chubb to accept as presented with one correction; paragraph 5 under new business- The OJL High School team 'does not' have a contract for players to sign regarding their financial commitment. Second by Nickodym, Vote by Directors present, Motion carried
3. **Treasurer's Report** – Motion by Chubb to accept as presented (See attached financial documents submitted by Nickodym) financial report as presented to membership
 - Total Income for the period – 72,018.28
 - Total Expenses - 83,595.20
 - Net loss (11,576.92)Vote by Directors present, Motion Carried
4. Presentation by member Kevin Neuman, \$1,500 to be used as hardship funds for the newly established Trey Neuman Memorial from funds generated from an annual skate in his name.
5. **Old Business** – Chad Wilson reported that the Spring Joust will take place on March 13-15 at Ralston Arena; Aimee Jones is the committee chair
6. **New Business** – Compliance Report by President Michael Dudzinski – OHC is fully compliant (less seven individuals) for the 2014/2015 season. Thank you to all coaches and volunteers for helping complete this endeavor. Dudzinski stated that all coaches will have compliance needs fulfilled 'at the beginning of the season' going forward.
7. Family of players and other members in support of board's decision to apply an administrative suspension to coach Todd Sanning discussed the matter in open meeting. President Dudzinski stated that all measures taking place in this matter were confidential and could not be shared with the general membership by order of Midwest and USA Hockey. A very strong resentment from persons present claimed the suspension was without merit and wanted an immediate reversal of the decision on Todd Sannings behalf. Jeff Chubb added that his actions that took place were under the

guidance of Safe Sports Director for Midwest Hockey Shawn Spencer and verified as correct and appropriate in this case. Director Chubb was able to share that a meeting had been held to determine if a Safe Sports violation had taken place and what appropriate action needed to be taken. The meetings final decision on the matter is between Director Chubb and Todd Sanning, and he was release from that administrative probation on or about Friday, January 16, 2015 and allowed to return to his duties as a coach for his squirt team. Todd Sanning had decided on January 19, 2015 that he would protest the finding of that board and appeal its decision. It had become apparent that many in attendance had no interest in hearing what Director Chubb had to offer in the matter, and a 'mob' of sorts escalated from those in attendance. While several persons in the meeting spoke (and yelled) over the voice of others, it became evident at @ 6:35 pm that they (unidentified persons in the meeting) were not going to accept Director Chubb or President Dudzinski's explanation of the process the club is "required" to take. It wasn't until @ 7:15 that Todd Sanning spoke on his own behalf in the matter to pose his own personal complaint in the due process that was taking place. Todd Sanning made claims that Director Chubb would take action that threatened his future as a coach with OHC and USA Hockey. Director Chubb advised that his claim 'was not' a part of decision, however; the mood of the crowd in the meeting became more combative when the matter could not be discussed with them. President Dudzinski explained that the process was no different than the board's requirement to not discuss a disciplinary action with anyone in the association (coach or player), financial issues with membership or legal action required by order of Midwest and/or USA Hockey. Director Chubb asked (Todd Sanning) if he wanted to discuss the matter privately; Director Chubb, Todd Sanning and approximately 95% of those members present immediately left the room. Director Chubb and Todd Sanning retired to a closed door meeting in the office of OHC and their discussion is not a part of this record.

At approximately 7:25, Director Ketterson had to leave the meeting due to his commitment with the girls JV/Varsity team. Director Hughes had to be excused as well. At that point, the board no longer had a majority of directors present to conduct a lawful meeting.

President Dudzinski responded to two unidentified parents/members that wanted to discuss a concussion injury that took place in December with an OHC squirt player and a Lincoln squirt player. President Dudzinski discussed the process that had taken place (at that point) in detail regarding the penalties, punishment and follow-up regarding the Lincoln player. One of those unidentified parents/members expressed his displeasure with the result of that action, and shared his egregious opinion in the matter. He left without having received any follow-up to his claims or comments.

Member Holey Robert wished to discuss the matter of 'follow up' with regards to player's physical and emotional state after an injury. President Dudzinski explained the process of following up on an injury, but no one on the board is qualified to counsel children on their emotional state. Ms Roberts shared that she was an adolescent psychologist and that she may be interested in filling that void. President Dudzinski was informed of an injury to her child that had occurred almost two seasons ago with no follow up and that injury was claimed to be due to the actions of a coach at a summer camp. Discussion followed regarding the child's injury and how the club manages that process.

Meeting was closed for any and all discussion at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Dudzinski

Acting secretary