

**West Fargo Hockey Association
Board of Directors Meeting
February 16, 2015
Veterans Memorial Arena
West Fargo, North Dakota – 6:00 p.m.**

1. Call to Order: President Nissen called meeting to order at 6:09 p.m.
2. Attendance: Board members in attendance were: Lance Belisle, Matt Bradley, Ryan Clouse, Joel Cummings, Scott Krank, Tim Nissen, Mike Prochnow, Stephanie Strand, Matt Weber, and Business Manager, Mark Lester. Absent: Robb Peterson and Jay Ystebo. Guests: Dave Benson, Ryan Griggs, Pat Johnson, Jade Nelson, Parker Metz, Tony Rogen, Jason Triplett, and Judy Werner.
3. Reading and Approval of Minutes of the January 19, 2015, Meeting: Matt Bradley made a motion to approve the minutes with changes made to last month's minutes. Joel Cummings 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 February 2015, is \$547,955.06. Stephanie Strand made a motion to approve the cash balance and financials. Ryan Clouse seconded motion. Motion carried.
 - B. Gaming Update – Tina Iverson: Absent, no report.
 - C. Financials: Mark Lester stated he moved building fees and other funds into savings, in the beginning of the month. At the end of the hockey season after all fees are paid and gun raffle net is deposited, the future savings fund should be roughly \$125,000 more than the current balance. Mark Lester is currently in the process of conducting site manager interviews.
6. Hockey Operations: President Nissen stated summer camp will be 8 weeks long beginning in June and running through July. Ryan Griggs and Scott Krank are working on registration and the on-line link will be open soon. Goalie camp registration is open. Coach update from last night's meeting: Finishing the season strong; keeping coach/parent code of conduct in tact; evaluations will be emailed to the parents after the season ends; emphasized to coaches to coach camps for

birth years 1997-2002; discussed upcoming North Dakota camps; and registration for next year (i.e. competitive league v.s. recreational league).

7. Coordinators Updates:

- A. Termite & Mite – Jade Nelson: Termites had a good season. Possibility of looking into shortening the season in the future. Mites - possibility of enhancing the program with additional (outside) teams to play. Thank you to all who assisted with the Mite tournament. Open for suggestions on how to make the Termite and Mite program better. Working on a transition program with Ryan Griggs for Mites who will be transitioning into Squirts next season.
 - B. Squirt - Ryan Griggs: Wrapping up the season. Teams are doing well towards the end of the season; skills are getting better. Coaches are doing well in working on skills for the teams; coaches will continue working on skill development. Squirts will potentially have 7 teams next season.
 - C. PeeWee – Jason Triplett: Wrapping up the season, teams are looking forward to State Tournament. Next season: 2 goalies move up, should have 5 teams, will need further discussion on type of team levels.
 - D. Bantam – Dave Beson: Overall all Bantams had a good weekend. A team beat Grafton, 7-2. White beat both Grand Forks teams and Mayville. Blue lost to Grand Forks but beat Bismarck last weekend. Ice time is going good.
 - E. Dryland – Parker Metz: No report.
8. Future Ice: Mike Prochnow stated he and Scott Krank met with reps this morning regarding extra sheet of ice at the UPC. Items discussed: 1) \$90,000 each from WFHA and FYHA for sheet of ice with stadium seating; 2) \$185/hour charge for ice, with 20 hours per week from each association; 3) signing a 10 yr contract. The arena will open Fall 2016. Discussion held.
9. Game Schedules: Ryan Clouse stated some teams have less games than others (at the same level). Need to determine number of games per team at the beginning of the season to determine where additional games can be added.
10. By-laws: Scott Krank stated if there are no changes to the By-laws, it will be posted on the website for members to view. It will be voted on in March by the board membership. Discussion held.
11. 10,000 Shot Club (Joel Cummings): No report.

12. Registration (Stephanie Strand): No report.
13. Board Member Expectations/Assignments: No report.
14. Volunteers: No report.
15. Fundraising:
 - A. Host Tournaments – Jay Ystebo/Ryan Clouse: PeeWee B1 State Tournament: Judy Werner stated assistance from Board members will be needed. Brackets (with times) have been approved and will be posted on the website.
 - B. Fall Raffle – Matt Weber/Matt Bradley: Matt Bradley said event went well. Will net \$75,000 after expenses are paid for.
 - C. Pizza – Joel Cummings/Lance Belisle: No report.
 - D. Gun Raffle – Mike Prochnow/Mark Lester: Mike Prochnow stated there are 830 tickets remaining. Banquet is half-way planned. Final collection will be Tuesday, March 17.
 - E. Center Ice – Tim Nissen/Robb Peterson: No report.
 - F. Marketing – Jay Ystebo/Matt Bradley: No report.
 - G. Grow the Game – Robb Peterson/Jay Ystebo: No report.
16. New Business: Matt Bradley stated discussion with the rink manager needs to take place regarding having a glass around the box in Vets 2.
17. Adjournment: Matt Bradley moved to adjourn the meeting and Scott Krank seconded motion. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m. Next meeting will be March 16, 2015, at the Veterans Memorial Arena, at 6:00 p.m.