

OYHA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

April 15, 2015
Four Seasons Arena

Members Present: Mike Jacobson, Eric Stanton, Colleen Rehman, Mike Vetsch, Beth Bogen, Paul Cole, Tony Holcomb, Melissa Reuter, Shannon Pederson, Brian Gfrerer, Mike Schoeneman, Kara Oien, Chris Torgerson, Tom Harrison

Other Committee Members Present: Julie Sturges, Karen Homan (new member), Edie Gieseke (new member)

Members Absent: Todd Valento, Eric Lehrer, Shelly Johnson, Brian Gfrerer

Guests: Karen Thurnau, Tracy Zirngible, Jason Buryska, Kelly Schmidt

Minutes Recorded By: Beth Bogen

Call to order at 6:08 pm

March Meeting Minutes:

Motion to approve the March Meeting Minutes by Mike Vetsch
Seconded by Kara Oien
Approved.

GUESTS: Tracy Z mentioned that they had heard rumors that there has been conversations regarding U14 going to Faribault for the next season. Several parents of potential U14 players were looking for some answers coming directly from the board as to the plan for next season. They also wanted to have these families provide some input. One suggestion coming from a parent is that her daughter loved the experience but was concerned about the lateness of practices that were held in Faribault. They are requesting some earlier practices. They are also requesting some practices with U12 and U14 together as well as additional dryland practices. A great deal of money was put into the dryland without having much usage. There was also a question of who the coaches will be and if coaches should be coaching multiple levels. Is a jv team an option on the girls side? There are advantages but at this time a jv team is not the direction the board is headed. We are in a 2 year commitment with Faribault. We can re-evaluate the needs in 2 years.

OFFICER'S REPORT:

None

GUEST SPEAKER:

None

TREASURERS REPORT:

March Treasurer's Report was reviewed.

*Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report by Kara Oien
Seconded by Melissa Reuter
Approved*

GAMBLING REPORT:

March gambling Report.
*Motion to approve March gambling report by Beth Bogen
Seconded by Kara Oien
Approved.*

*Motion to pre-approve May gambling expenses by Kara Oien
Seconded by Shannon Pederson
Approved.*

COMMITTEE UPDATES

Executive Committee:

Julie Sturgis has requested that the board find a replacement for bookkeeper.

Asset Insurance coverage will be \$13,700.

Mike and Paul have committed for coordinator for Minnesota Hockey Certification Program for the time being. We will make changes if needed based on what the needs of the program.

Education & Development Committee:

Marc Wiese will stay on as the ice scheduler

Eric F. has not confirmed yet if he will stay on as the Coaching Coordinator

Dryland open house will satisfy the requirements for the Otto Bremer Grant, which will be held April 28 from 7:00-8:00. Media sources have been contacted to provide coverage. High School teams, the Blades, OYHA, and Park and Rec will all be involved in the event. We will move into Phase 2 of the dryland which includes the air exchange, cosmetic upgrades, fans, and electrical upgrades.

Forms will need to be updated to check on retention of coaches.

Registration

None

Safe Sport

None

Equipment

None

Tournament Committee:

None

Concessions Committee/Special Events:

There are a great deal of hours that are not covered in the concession stand and many people are just letting concession checks be cashed. The board needs to figure out what we do with the additional hours that go uncovered. Shelly should not have to cover all of these additional hours

OYHA will need to work meat raffles on Saturday nights during the winter months if we want to keep our pull-tabs at Wings, the new owners are requiring us to work these raffles. There are some questions regarding this meat raffle that need to be confirmed. Colleen will follow up at the next meeting. What are they looking at for start time and end time each night? What are they looking at for the meat? How many events? Who is buying the meat up front?

Mike V has been contacted to see if OYHA was interested in working the Federated Insurance Parking lot during the fair. The funds will be utilized for scholarships and concussion testing.

Park & Recreation Committee:

A meeting was organized by Deb. Chris will follow up with her.

Equipment Committee:

Equipment committee needs to meet to finalize dates for rental, exchange, re-rental, cashing of checks, etc. This mostly is related to Park and Rec, Squirts, and U10.

Merchandise:

Inventory needs to be finalized and given to Julie.

New Business:

Request from Steve to change some circuits and update electrical in the concession stand. We need to add some circuits to the concession stand. The request is for a cost up to and not exceeding \$800. Mike J. will ask Steve some clarifying questions. Tabled

Election of the following positions:

Vice President (1st chair) Kara Oien

Nominated by Beth Bogen

Seconded by Mike Vetsch

Accepted by Kara Oien

Approved

Vice President (2nd chair) Brian Gferer

Nominated by Mike Jacobson

Seconded by Melissa Reuter

Accepted Prior to the meeting

Approved

Treasurer Melissa Reuter

Nominated by Mike Vetsch
Seconded by Kara Oien
Accepted by Melissa Reuter
Approved

Secretary
Nominated by Paul Cole
Seconded By Kara Oien
Accepted by Beth Bogen
Approved

Safe Sport Coordinator Eric Stanton
Nominated by Kara Oien
Seconded by Beth Bogen
Accepted by Eric Stanton
Approved

Tournament Director Chris Torgerson
Nominated by Shannon Pederson
Seconded by Kara Oien
Accepted by Chris Torgerson
Approved

District Rep Marc Wiese
Nominated by Mike Vetsch
Seconded by Kara Oien
Accepted via email from Marc
Approved

Kara proposed that OYHA define committee responsibilities and define general tasks, and send them out before the next meeting. All board members would write down 1-3 preferences. As a board we would delegate where the board members would go based on preferences and skill set. All tasks will need to be forwarded to Kara.

Sponsorship Committee should oversee the OYHA board connection with Youth First. There is value with our connection with Youth First that is not totally utilized and not totally understand. Youth First only gets money from new deals and package deals. They also get kick back on sponsorship that goes to multiple organizations like girls' hockey, boys' hockey, and OYHA, for example. The return on investment is very confusing.

Mike J worked with Mark Hendricks on the Otto Bremer Grant, which OYHA received.

Mark Arjes handled most of the "Sportsmanship Award."

Mark Arjes helped promote "Try hockey for Free."

Cost changes:

We will have to buy jerseys to account for the second u10 team, 2-u12 teams, u14 team, ice cost increase, coach pay increase, other???? Are we increasing what we compensate for away tournaments. Fundraisers?? Sparetime?? Pork?? Pancake?? Apparel Fundraiser?? Apparel Fundraiser was presented by Tony. There were many discussions. Fundraiser options have been tabled.

There was a question if Johnny is going to continue as the Webmasters. Mike J. will check on this.

Adjournment:

Motion to Adjourn made by Kara Oien

Seconded by Chris Torgerson

Meeting Adjourned at 8:38 pm

Next Meeting:

The annual board meeting is May 20 , 2015