

WYHA Annual Meeting Minutes April 25, 2015

President Gibson called the annual meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

WYHA Board of Directors: Current WYHA board members were presented. Members are: John Jacobs, Greg Gibson, Kathy and Tom Hewitt, Trevor Nelko, Mike Nispel, Ryan Wilson, Ruth Allen, Colleen Sivets, Erik Schindler, Steve Tix, Bob Gardner, Jerry Jensen, Nicole Bergeron, Mike Melnychuk, and Amy Klaiman.

Board of Director Elections: Candidates seeking election for the four open board positions were introduced. Candidates in attendance were given the opportunity to present their bios: Zachary Adams, Kelli Ask, David Hackley, Brent Hanson, Dan Iliff, Peter Lofgren and Greg Gibson.

McNamara Award: Mike Nispel presented the annual WYHA McNamara Award to Wayzata Hockey Volunteers Renee and Greg Gibson.. This award was presented to a member demonstrating "longstanding and unselfish" contributions to WYHA. Renee and Greg have given tirelessly to WYHA for the past 16 years. Renee is and was the driving force behind the WYHA website. She was instrumental in its establishment and continues to maintain and to keep it updated and relevant for today. Greg has been on the WYHA board for the past 16 years. He has been president for the past 14 years. This is a 24/7 position and Greg has always handled it with empathy and integrity. WYHA thanks Renee and Greg for their outstanding and invaluable involvement in WYHA. Mike also presented outstanding volunteer recognition awards to Lori Wisniewski and Christie Salonek. Lori handles all tournament details and has done a wonderful job. Christie is in charge of all equipment for the travel teams. This is a large and constant job and Christie has handled it extremely well. WYHA thanks these outstanding volunteers for their time and efforts!

President's Report - Greg Gibson: WYHA continues to support opportunity and development of all players to provide playing opportunities from K-12th grade. The Plymouth Dryland facility was completed this past season. The final cost for the project was \$531,940.00. WYHA has 3 remaining payments of \$85,976.00 over the next three years. The bench remodeling project at Central Middle School Ice Arena has been completed and paid in full. The Plymouth City Council is in the process of adding 96 parking spots to the Plymouth Ice Center and Lifetime parking lot. The City of Plymouth and WYHA are in the process of lobbying the state for support of a bonding bill for improvements to the PIC. Please reach out to Representative Sarah Anderson and let her know of the support for this project.

Financial Report: Tim Jewell gave an update, from the contracted accounting firm of BPK&Z, and presented highlights from the financial report. WYHA has well managed finances; 95.0% of all money collected goes directly to benefit the youth players. Registration revenue showed a slight increase this past season.

The Blue Line net contributions to WYHA this season were approximately \$30,000.00. WYHA home tournaments net contribution was approximately \$25,000.00. Gambling donations were approximately \$86,000.00 this season. All in all, our financial position is very good.

Retiring Board Members: There are three retiring Board Members: Bob Gardner, Jerry Jensen and Steve Tix. Thank you to all of these men for their efforts to WYHA.

State Tournament Teams: WYHA Teams had 5 teams participate in State Tournaments this season. Those teams were recognized: Bantam AA, U15 A Blue, U15B, JGB Blue, and JGA. JGA placed first in the USA National High School championship. Congratulations to all the teams. Banners for state champion team members were distributed and team banners for first and second place teams will be proudly hung at our arenas.

Election Results – Greg Gibson: Candidates newly elected to WYHA Board terms are Zachary Adams, Kelli Ask, Greg Gibson and Brent Hanson. Thank you for volunteering your time and talents to WYHA.

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by JJacobs and seconded by NBergeron. Meeting was adjourned at 10:57 a.m.