

Minutes for WYHA Board Meeting 9/12/16

Greg Gibson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Present: Zach Adams, Ruth Allen, Kelli Ask, Nicole Bergeron, Mark Brandt, Greg Gibson, Brad Hanson, Brent Hanson, Tom Hewitt, Jeff Hillman, John Jacobs, Tim Jewell, Mike Melynychuk, Trevor Nelko, Mike Nispel, Erik Schindler, Ryan Wilson, and Amy Klaiman

Open Forum: There was no open forum at this meeting.

Secretary's Report- Amy Klaiman: N Bergeron made a motion to approve the August 8, 2016, meeting minutes. T Nelko seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

President's Report- Greg Gibson: The Derek Campbell Memorial Fund made a donation of \$5,000.00 in memory of Dave Campbell, Derek's father, who passed away this summer. Thank you Derek Campbell Family for your extreme generosity. WYHA is very appreciative. The USA youth hockey council is meeting this week to decide where the National tournament will be held. WYHA will find out by next week if Wayzata will be hosting.

Administration- Ruth Allen: Margaret Beuchel will be the new Picture Day Coordinator and Amy Marlin will be the Fundraising and Sponsorship Coordinator.

Treasurer's Report- Tim Jewell: The financial statement shows that registration fee collections are up this year. That is not really the case, however, as the way the fees are collected has changed. The registration fees are on the same pace as last season. Finances are looking very strong going into the season.

Charitable Gambling- Greg Gibson: T Nelko made a motion to approve October 2016 expenses of \$17,700.00. N Bergeron seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously. T Nelko made a motion to approve August estimated profits of \$10,000.00. N Bergeron seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously. The Green Mill next to Broadway Pizza will be selling pull tabs starting in October. Hopefully this will have a positive effect on pull tabs sales. The annual audit has been completed. More details to follow.

Marketing – Erik Schindler: Total Hockey will no longer be sponsoring the "Little Strides" program. WYHA is in the process of working with Letterman Sports to create a voucher for equipment for new Mite players. T Nelko made a motion to approve \$8,750.00 towards equipment for recruiting. J Jacobs seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Tournaments- Zach Adams: Registration for WYHA's five tournaments is full. There are waiting lists for the Sniper and Fire & Ice Tournaments. This is an excellent response. In addition, most of the tournament fees have been paid.

Registrar – Greg Gibson: Registration opened on August 1, 2016. The early bird registration ended August 31, 2016. As of September 8, 2016 there are 854 players registered. This is up slightly from last season.

Safesport – Greg Gibson: No report.

BlueLine – Ruth Allen: Village Chevrolet will continue their partnership with WYHA. The first picture day will be located at Village Chevrolet. WYHA is hopeful that raffle tickets from Village Chevrolet will be available by the time teams are formed so that they can be distributed at the team meeting. Fun2Raise is continuing to have success selling dasher boards. WYHA's relationship with Buffalo Wild Wings is going to continue this season. Last season we raised approximately \$2,500.00.

District 3 – Mark Brandt: There was a proposal made to let associations have more than one Squirt A or U10 team and that they won't have to be balanced. As far as the Mite teams go, for the 2016-17 season Mites will need to have prior approval to play other teams in and outside of their district. The ice scheduling is moving along nicely. The goal is to have ice times out sooner and further in the future.

Mites Program - Christian Peterson: No report.

Boys Travel – Mike Melnychuk: RWilson made a motion to approve an outside evaluator company for Squirt skater tryouts for the 2016-17 season. BHanson seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously. DinoMights is an organization that helps intercity, low income youth play hockey. They are interested in partnering with WYHA. More information to come at a future meeting.

Coaches Committee-Brad Hanson: Coaches committee submitted Tom Patrek as Junior Gold A coach for approval for the 2016-17 season. MMelnychuk made a motion to approve Tom Patrek as a Head coach of the Junior Gold A team for the 2016-17 season. JJacobs seconded the motion. KAsk, and MMelnychuk were unable to vote as they have a Junior Gold player. The motion was approved unanimously.

Player Development- Trevor Nelko: No report.

Junior Gold- Greg Gibson: Steve Burke has decided to step down as Junior Gold Coordinator.

Old Business: No old business to report.

New Business: No new business to report.

MMelnychuk motioned to adjourn the meeting, second by ESchindler, meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

2016 Meetings: 10/4, 11/7, 12/5

2016 Annual Meeting: Saturday April 23rd; 10:00AM Plymouth City Hall, Council Chambers (voting 9:30-11:00am)

2017 Meetings: 1/9, 2/6, 3/6, 4/10, 5/1, 6/5

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