

Blackhawks Hockey Association			
Board Meeting			
September 14, 2016			
Board Members Present	Scott Woodington, President Mike Delong, Vice President Gina Rens, Secretary Rachel McHenry, Treasurer	Jesse Bohatta, Director Scott Finstad, Director Craig Campbell, Director Dan Dietzman, Director	Aaron VanRanst, Director Brad Schumacher, Director John Bresina, Director (arrived 8:43pm)
Others Present			
Members Absent	Andy Lindus, Past President	Andrew Carlson, Director	
Location	United Civic Center		
Called to order	7:15pm		
Secretary's Report	<p>Approved as is.</p> <p>Motion: Aaron VanRanst 2nd: Mike Delong In favor: All Against: None</p>		
Treasurer's Report	<p>Approximately \$29,000 in bank account – a volume of it is registration funds. Need to move registration funds from new mites into the building fund. Will review monthly expenses and do a monthly P&L along with YTD and prior year comparison. Plan to secure dates for summer fundraisers for 2017 and communicate out in advance and list on website.</p> <p>Motion: Mike Delong 2nd: Dan Dietzman In favor: All Against: None</p>		
Open Forum	<p>Jesse Bohatta – Old equipment (scoreboard, lockers, tube heaters) is being stored behind dehumidifier. Suggested taking it to auction to make some money on it. Approved.</p> <p>Scott Finstad – Suggested having a pop machine in lobby for times when concessions isn't open. Can get from Pepsi contractor for no charge. We would stock and profit would be ours. Approved.</p> <p>Mike Delong – Blue Line Club asking about progress of lockers for High School locker room. Scott had contacted company that quoted 5, but we only have room for 4. They were going to quote, but Scott never received. Scott reached out to follow-up and left a voicemail.</p> <p>Scott Finstad – John Bresina sent out registration report from Sports Ngine. Rachel explained the process for reconciling that by separating out clinics registration fees and season registration fees and reconciling to registration reports from Sports Ngine.</p> <p>Brad Schumacher– Proposed a Badger Seafood fundraiser. Suggested we pilot with one team, possibly. Board requested he submit to fundraising committee for consideration.</p> <p>Rachel McHenry – Do we want to donate leftover pop to church fundraiser? Check expiration dates and likelihood of selling at Chili Cook-Off and during season.</p> <p>Andy Lindus (via proxy) – WAHA wants to do goalie clinic on 9/24 from 9:00am to 10:30am. Ice is available. Scott W will contact Andy to confirm. John Bresina will get a hold of Connor.</p> <p>Mike Delong – Next Thursday, 9/22, is region 6 meeting. Mike is going. Scott W and Craig might go.</p>		

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Website Update	Practice schedules are on the calendar through February.
Registration	<p>Squirts – 2 team, Peewees – 1 team, Bantam – 1 team Have contacted those not re-registered – most were first year LTS last year. Mite/LPH numbers are lower due to U10/Squirt move-ups. Consider moving up some repeat LTS players to increase those numbers.</p> <p>Hudson only have 2-4 girls at U10 level. Mike D. talked to them and the River Falls association - Hudson will join our U10 co-op. Will possibly gain some Hudson ice time out of it.</p> <p>Board will obtain a list of anyone who was previously considered for reduced work hours and reach out to those who have had it. All requests for reduced work hours will be reviewed and approved by the board.</p> <p>Question about reimbursing for goalie equipment – board previously decided those who own their own equipment received ½ off registration or association would provide goalie equipment. Question about how to handle if family reaches family max - calculate the % of total registration fees they paid and refund ½ of that percentage for that individual player's registration. Gina R will obtain meeting minutes to verify decision about goalie reimbursement. Motion to pay calculated % back to anyone at family max and request reimbursement.</p> <p>Motion: Mike Delong 2nd: Craig Campbell In favor: All Against: None</p>
Learn to Skate	Will have a Mite Committee meeting and determine who to move up to LPH from LTS. Squirt age kid – first year skater – start at LTS and if eventually moves to Squirt mid-season, we will charge registration fee and pro-rate for % of season. Will determine player levels by early December to ensure listing on official roster. Out of 39 registered at LTS, approx. 30 are newly signed up and expecting more registrations.
Clinics	<p>Mite clinics get the most registrants – adding more would be more profitable. Have at least 2 Mite clinics next year. Stickhandling for older kids did not get good numbers until it opened up to lower level players – open stickhandling to all ages. Need at least 6 clinics next year. Need new incentive to recruit coaches to lead clinics – motion to give coaches free unlimited registration for all kids for any clinics (only those who head coach a clinic) and offer either summer/winter work hours. Assistant coaches get work hours and can choose to apply them to winter or summer – no free clinic registration.</p> <p>Motion: Dan Dietzman 2nd: Mike Delong In favor: All Against: None</p>
Tryouts	Squirts are only level doing try-outs, which are scheduled for 10/15 and 10/16. This is the same weekend as final football tournament for 3 rd and 4 th graders – they play four games that day, which makes it challenging for kids to be prepared for try-outs. Recommendation to reschedule day one try-outs to later in the day Saturday, depending on evaluator availability. Coaches Committee will meet to coordinate try-outs and schedule evaluators.
Summer Events	Chili Cook-Off next Saturday, 9/24.
D2 Update	Squirt teams registered at C level. Everyone else at B1.

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Committees	<p>Fundraising (Mike) – Building committee met with Shefchick Builders and got a conceptual drawing of potential second rink and will get cost estimate in next couple of weeks. Talking to Village about location – could we take current parking lot for building and expand parking in front (by tennis courts). DNR owns waterway and need to ensure distance from that. Lease expires 2024, not 2020 like originally thought.</p> <p>B&G (Jesse) – Request to add more hand rails to the bleachers. Jesse will look at it and make recommendation.</p> <p>Coaching – Need to schedule a mandatory coaching meeting – discuss tryouts, attempt to identify an ACE Coordinator. Currently 23 coaching applications. Identify who doesn't have all requirements met and discuss who will head coach each team. Tentatively scheduled for 9/25 at 7:30pm.</p> <p>Concessions (Gina) – No updates</p> <p>Mites/Membership (Aaron) – No updates</p>
Blackhawks By-Laws	Sent to Hack at WAHA for review first. Haven't sent on.
Blackhawks Guidelines	Sent to Hack at WAHA for review first. Will touch base with them to see if they're ready to move forward and we can share at beginning of the season.
Board Liaisons	<p>Mite - Bresina Squirts - Brad Peewee - Scott Bantam - Jesse U10 - Dan U12 - Gina U14 – Andy</p> <p>Post on website. Liaisons should be scheduled to go to season open meeting to discuss work hours, tournaments, member guidelines (or summary of all requirements).</p>
Next Meeting	Wednesday, October 12, 2016, 7pm, UCC
Adjourned	<p>9:23pm</p> <p>Motion: Gina Rens 2nd: Craig Campbell In favor: All Against: None</p>