



**Yankton Area Ice Association**  
**901 Whiting Drive**  
**PO Box 235**  
**Yankton, SD 57078**



## **YAIA Meeting Minutes**

December 12, 2023 6:00pm  
Rink Board Room & Zoom

Board Members in attendance: Katie Feimer, Lisa Nielson, Kevin Hunhoff, Brian Wenisch, Jen Livingston.  
Zoom: Terry Haas, Eric Shoemaker, Amanda Bottolfson

Other: Heidi Berry, Karen Schleiger, Sarah Thoms, Julie Perakslis, Chad Renken, Terry Pedersen. Zoom:  
Abby Sprecher, Krystal Paulson

- 1. Called Meeting to Order at 6:00pm**
- 2. Approval of November Board Minutes. Motion was made by Eric Shoemaker, seconded by Brian Wenisch. Motion Passed.**
- 3. Old Business**
  - a. Dibs – Katie Feimer/Sarah Thoms/Heidi Berry/Karen Scleiger/Stephanie Marlett
    - i. Contact of the Day Schedule – The following weekends are still open: 2/2; 2/9; 2/16 and 2/23
      1. Will email a copy to show who is signed up for which weekends
- 4. Committee Reports**
  - a. **Curling** – Juliana Dick-Ford
    - i. **No Report**
  - b. **Hockey Coaching** – Terry Pedersen
    - i. **No Report**
  - c. **Figure Skating** - Heidi Berry
    - i. **Performance on 12/15 & 12/16**
  - d. **Registrar** - Amy Schramm
    - i. **No Report**
  - e. **Safety Committee** – Tona Larsen
    - i. All sports physicals and certifications have turned in at the JV/Varsity Level
    - ii. Will report the other levels at the meeting
    - iii. Emergency Access – Chad Renken
      1. Need to make sure emergency vehicles have access to the back Zamboni door if needed.
        - a. Will mark off for EMS Parking at Double doors; will need to update safety plan



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- iv. Chad Renken requested that we replace the lighting in the locker room hallway for safety purposes. It was agreed that we replace the ones by locker room 1, 3 & 4. No motion was needed.
  
- f. **Executive Report** – Katie Feimer
  - i. **4-H Leaders Meeting** - Kevin Hunhoff
    - 1. **No Report**
  
- g. **Treasurer Report** - Jennifer Livingston
  - i. **Report of funds were provided**
  
- h. **Vision Committee** – Shawn Weber
  - i. Jan Dam from Midland University and players will be providing a camp on December 10<sup>th</sup>. The Board voted via text to use \$750 from the hockey development grant received from SDAHA and \$750 from YAIA to pay the group for the camp.
    - 1. A report was provided by Shawn Weber on the donations raised by the families to help cover the pay for the coaches that came with Jan to help. Camp was successful with a 73% attendance rate. Looking at a future relationship with providing a camp again next year.
  
- i. **Social Committee** -Stephanie Marlette
  - i. **No Report**
  
- j. **Hockey Development** - Karen Schleiger
  - i. Girls Development – Working to schedule all girls practices for spring. Asking for girl goalies to begin training now for the position.
  - ii. LTS – session one is almost over. Great support from figure skating and hockey players. LTS 2 registration is open.
  - iii. Yankton Hockey Day summary
    - 1. Was a successful event; especially with Raffle baskets. Financial report was provided by Shawn Weber.
  
- k. **Alumni Committee** – Shawn Wagner
  - i. **No Report**
  
- l. **Marketing Committee** – Shelby Nilsen
  - i. Use of logos and requests by outside vendors
    - 1. It was communicated with Marketing to make sure and utilize the YAIA Approved logos on marketing events/posts. It was agreed by the board to not allow outside vendors to use the YAIA Logos.
  
- m. **Discipline Committee** – Amanda Bottolfson – VP
  - i. **One internal issue that was being handled through a meeting on 12/13/2023**



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## n. Facility Committee

### i. Equipment – Karen Schleiger

#### 1. Jersey Distribution Protocol Proposal

- a. **Proposal was reviewed. Motion was made to approve the updated handbook change by Brian Wenisch, seconded by Kevin Hunhoff. Motion passed.**

#### 2. Coaches Jackets obtained

### ii. Building – Brian Wenisch

#### 1. Rink Temperature – Brian and Chad Renken

- a. See attached document with notes
- b. Will be working on getting estimates for sensors
- c. Will work to get heaters completely fixed prior to updated the thermostat to wireless/automatic sensor.

#### 2. Lighting - See the attached quotes. – Chad Renken and Barrie Larsen

- a. The one in the amount of \$348.94 is for the locker room hallway. **This was approved by the board no motion required.**
- b. The second quote in the amount of \$643.21 is to cut sheet for the 2X4 fixtures. Would take the existing ones down and install the flat panels and not have to worry about bulbs anymore. I am not sure on the counts, but I do know there are 3 in the locker room that would need to get replaced and could also do the open area.
- c. The third in the amount \$9526.74 and is a cut sheet and quote to replace the rink lights to LED. I do have 2 test fixtures that we can put up to see how they look which I would recommend before any decision would be made with these. They are a 1 for 1 replacement of what is there now. It Does include the extra lights in the counts to install them along the seating side where the rink seems to be a little dark. Those would require just a little additional cost for material to get them installed. The one thing that would need to be discussed is how to reach all that is needed. We could once again do the install ourselves to save any labor cost and you can also purchase them direct.

#### d. Bathroom and Locker Room Improvements Needed – Chad Renken

- i. See attached diagram and notes on attached document.

#### 3. Zamboni – Brian Wenisch



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4. Compressor – Brian Wenisch
  - a. Disposal of Glycol – see attached quote.
    - i. **Motion was made to approve the estimate to dispose of the Glycol for \$6269.40 by Kevin Hunhoff; seconded by Eric Shoemaker. Motion passed.**
  - o. **State Delegate** – Brian Wenisch
    - i. Hall of Fame Nomination
  - p. **Events Management Committee** – Lisa Nielsen
    - i. Scheduling
  - q. **Fundraising**
    - i. Gala – Just over \$29,000 profit for this years event.
    - ii. Signs - The updated signs were hung by Terry Haas and Jim Byrkeland prior to the season beginning. There are a couple new signs to be hung.
    - iii. Bench Caps – The Gala committee had announced that the funds this year would go towards some rink improvements such as bench caps and board caps. A donor has stepped forward and offered to purchase half of the bench caps. An updated quote was received for \$34,790.
      1. An Association member offered to donate 50% of the cost to pay for bleacher caps. **There was a motion to approve the purchase of bleacher caps at the approximate cost of \$17,395.00 from the GALA fund & \$17,395.00 from the donor. Motion made by Brian Wenisch; seconded by Eric Shoemaker. Motion passed.**
    - iv. The Fundraising Committee meeting was held December 11<sup>th</sup>.
  - r. **Key Master** – Sarah Thoms
    - i. **No Report**
  - s. **Handbook** – Lisa Nielson
    - i. **No Report**
5. **New Business**
  - a. Admission for YHS Students – Julie Perakslis and Chad Renken
    - i. Proposing free admission for special games such as hockey day to encourage student attendance.
      1. Board agreed to allow free student night during the date of Senior Night.
  - b. Team Pictures – Chad Renken
    - i. Requesting the upper level team pictures be scheduled earlier in the year in order to submit with team rosters
  - c. Other –
    - i. It was brought to the attention of the Board of some issues between volunteers while working dibs. It was discussed and agreed on by the board to start



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enforcing the rules that are set forth from the handbook, including no longer allowing fans or other coaches to stand on the other side of the roped area.

- d. Meeting Adjourned at 8:32 PM – **motion was made by Brian Wenisch, seconded by Kevin Hunhoff.**