

WHA Board Meeting Minutes

March 9, 2021 @ 2nd St Station

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: S. Sheehan, E. Skott, T. Bramer, K. Hendricks, T. Barton, T. Randall, M. Randall, M. Anderson, J. Knopf, J. Kasuske, and L. Stricherz

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: F. Espland, T. Holien

OTHERS PRESENT: L. Deutsch, S. Schlapkohl, L. Keizer, R. Linke

Meeting called to order at 7:38 pm.

Motion to approve agenda made by T. Randall, 2nd by K. Hendricks. All in favor.

Motion to approve February minutes made by T. Randall, 2nd by J. Knopf. All in favor.

Motion to approve February's financials made by M. Anderson, 2nd by J. Kasuske. All in favor.

S. Sheehan brought a quote for a new skate sharpener and discussed the importance of a purchase before next season. Will discuss budget with treasurer when she returns to see if it fits in this years budget or next.

T. Bramer is working on a new skate rack for open skate. Will have a dollar amount soon.

S. Schlapkohl will send thank you notes to raffle donators, Reid Holien. Guest House Donation of \$728 from dances to go towards helping kids per their request. Will find a need and acknowledge them.

L. Keizer discussed the events of the alumni board meeting. Discussed being under WHAs 501C and this will be looked into to make sure it is possible.

L. Deutsch gave update on two separate "Try Hockey For Free" days. There were 72 kids at the first one and 10 girls at the girls practice for free. Would like to do a "Try Hockey for Free" day earlier next season. As early in the year as possible.

L. Deutsch discussed wanting to do summer goalie training again this year. Discussed options.

L. Deutsch introduced two options for helping with the cost of goalie gear at the JV/Varsity level. Board discussed the two options and voted on RFA proposing goalies at the JV/Varsity level get their registration fees waived to offset some of the cost of goalie gear. Motion to accept RFA by S. Sheehan, 2nd by M. Anderson. All in favor.

WHA is waiting on disciplinary action regarding Brookings crowd. Should hear soon.

OLD BUSINESS:

L. Deutsch would like a meeting for girls hockey in late March to discuss numbers and what is needed to have a U14 team next year. Encouraged girls hockey day 3/20.

End of the year banquet is discussed and planning committee to work on a plan. Each level has made own plans for year end banquets.

NEW BUSINESS:

Representatives from Roys Sports Shop presented to board and asked to be given the chance to bid on equipment. Would like more cooperation from the association to shop local for gear when possible. Discussed with them hurdles to this idea. WHA will maintain open communication with them and give them a chance at bidding items.

M. Anderson spoke about the need to make Bi-laws and importance of term limits for board members and responsibilities for board members. Important to know that anyone can run for a board position even if he/she does not have kids in hockey.

Discussion about the executive director role including duties, job description, and a replacement. A task force including M. Anderson, T. Holien, and L. Deutsch is made to come up with a job description for the position and to do interviews when applications are received. Possible duties of the executive director include marketing, publishing of information to the website, organizing try hockey for free, volunteering when needed, being available for some hockey games and events.

Board positions are discussed, and members are asked to report if they would like to stay or are leaving their position. Possible new members are discussed. Repost to the association that names for running for office should be placed by Friday, March 12.

DIVISION REPORTS:

Mites – Season over, no news.

Squirts – Season is over, no news.

Pee Wees – Season over, Banquet scheduled early April.

U14 Girls – Season over, Banquet 3/27

Bantams – Season over, Banquet date TBA

Girls JV/V – Season over, no news to report

Boys JV/V – State tournament 3/12-14. Banquet to be early April.

Next meeting will be April 13th @ 7:30 at 2nd Street station.

Kasie Hendricks

WHA Secretary