

WASECA HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 2021, 6:30PM
EL TEQUILA

Members Present: Andrea Roemhildt, Anthony Martens, Jeanne Hansen, Kellie Moseley, Lindsay Danks, Clint Selvik, Jessica Corchran, Shannon Cliff, Jeremy Mortensen, Erin Edwards

Members Missing: Jason Attenberger, Josh Lynch

Guests: None.

Minutes Recorded by: Andrea Roemhildt

Call to Order at 6:33pm

Meeting Minutes:

Motion to approve February 17th 2021 Meeting Minutes by Anthony Martens, 2nd by Jessica Corchran

Approved

Guest Matters:

None.

Officer's Report:

Gambling Report:

Jeanne asked the board to pre-approve allowable expenses of: \$7,500 Employee Wages; \$1,250 Accounting; \$15,000 Rent to Sites; \$25,000 Etab Provider; \$5,500 Cost of Games; \$2,000 Linked Bingo; \$750 Miscellaneous Supplies/Storage

Motion for pre-approval of allowable expenses by Anthony Martens, 2nd by Kellie Moseley

Approved

Jeanne asked the board to approve lawful purpose expenditures of up to \$14,000 Waseca Arena for ice time

Motion for pre-approval of lawful purpose expenditures by Anthony Martens, 2nd by Kellie Moseley

Approved

President / Executive Report:

None.

Old Business:

Treasurer Transition: Lindsay updated the board on the QB project with Burkhardt. The new QBs account will start May 1st. Currently working through the new chart of accounts and reporting. 2019 taxes were filed and passed around for members to review.

Banquet Date: Tony received some potential dates from The Pizza Farm for the banquet. Required to purchase 15 pizza, help with setup and take down. Tony to work with Emily to book a Saturday afternoon, late May, 4-7pm. Erin to check with Ditch Creek for music. Email nomination requests to coaches.

New Business:

Vacant Board Position: Jeanne Hansen nominated Angie Lawson for the vacant board position, Kellie Moseley 2nd.

Approved.

2021/2022 Registration Dates: Shannon informed the board the registration dates is August 22nd and 25th from 6-8pm.

2021/2022 Tournament Dates: Discussion took place around having the Mite/8u tournament outdoors and include a skating trail. Could make it into a unique event and attract more teams and players to the sport. Revisit/continue the conversation after the high school teams schedule games.

Girls tournament will be the first weekend in February 4-6th, 2022. District tournament would be February 11-13th, if we are selected to host.

2021/2022 Goalie Coach: Tony talked through 3 goalie training options for the 2021/2022 season. Option (1) utilize existing high school goalies; (2) The Goalie Club; and (3) MAP South Goaltending. Current goalie budget is \$4000. Based on options laid out, the board will temporarily budget \$5000 for 2021/2022 and adjust based on the overall budget outcome and discussions with goalie parents.

Tony also requested funding to purchase a virtual reality goalie training kit. Hardware is \$799 plus \$90/month for software.

Motion for approval to purchase a virtual reality training kit by Kellie Moseley, 2nd by Lindsay Danks

Approved

2021/2022 High School Bill/Estimate: Andrea requested pre-approval to pay \$10,000 towards the high school bill.

Motion for pre-approval of \$10,000 for high school expenditures by Jeanne Hansen, 2nd by Anthony Martens

Approved.

Jersey Program: Clint pointed out that the 2021/2022 season is when the board targeted starting the jersey rotation program. The idea behind the program was to spread the cost of new jerseys across multiple years. This makes the budgeting and funding process more manageable. Throughout the years, parents have expressed the desire to own their player's jersey, number and to have their last name on the back. This is common in associations across Minnesota. Clint suggested surveying parents and starting the jersey buying program this season. Cost would be \$150 per jersey set. Board decided to introduce the program at the Squirt and PeeWee level. Mites play minimal games and Bantams only have 1 maybe 2 seasons left in the youth program.

WAF Grant: Lindsay reminded the board that the WAF grant request is due at the end of March. It was decided the WHA would request funding to help assist parents with the additional expense of the jersey program. Lindsay to complete and submit the request.

Skate Award: Lindsay asked the board to consider skipping the skate award this year. Due to COVID, schools are not tracking grades in the traditional manner and it will be hard to evaluate.

Motion for to skip the skate award for the 2020/2021 season by Anthony Martens, 2nd by Erin Edwards

Approved.

Banners: Clint is working on getting all the earned banners, currently displayed and not, consolidating and uniformed. It will be 6 banners in total at \$20 each.

Motion to approve \$300 to purchase the banners by Anthony Martens, 2nd by Kellie Moseley

Approved.

Position Emails: Tony presented the idea of creating generic email boxes for key board functions. This will allow for continuity and ease of transition between new and former board members as terms lapse. The annual fee is approximately \$24 for the first email and \$72 for any additional emails. It was decided to start with the Treasurer position and then continue to evaluate and discuss others.

Motion to approve the annual spend of approximately \$24 for a Treasurer email by Lindsay Danks, 2nd by Clint Selvik

Approved.

Girls Program: Sarah informed the board of the details of her girls summer program. She also discussed her vision and plan for the 2021/2022 season working with the small number of skaters at various age levels. The board unanimously agreed that the girls program needs to be an area of focus for recruitment. Sarah will work with the board and her coaching team to communicate with parents and field concerns and options for next season. Sarah finally asked that the ice schedule be evaluated. With the potential consolation of several girls teams, open ice time can be used to grow the girls program including full ice for 8u and a skills program. The budget will be evaluated for funding for the skills program, estimated cost is \$3600-\$4000.

Owatonna Youth Summer Program: Board discussed summer program ideas. With the unique year experienced and all the numerous COVID restrictions, funding is a challenge. Andrea suggested re-allocating the fund that were approved for the Weezy skills/skating program during the season to the summer program. The program was ultimately canceled due to the pause in November. Storey to reach out to Weezy and/or an alternative skills program for interest.

High School Locker Rooms: Jeremy discussed with the board the need to revisit the space issue within the arena, specifically the need for high school locker rooms. It was determined a committee will be formed to evaluate the funding need and community support. Jeremy will be the board liaison and lead this effort.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Andrea Roemhildt, 2nd by Jeanne Hansen

Adjourned at 8:35pm