

Alexandria Area Hockey Association Agenda

January 21, 2024

6 PM - Runestone Community Center

Monthly Meeting Minutes

1. Call to order

Members present: Matt VanBruggen, Joel Loveland, Kelli Draper, Josh Waldorf, Andrea Nyberg, Amber Blakesley, Josh Hills, Apryl Putnam, Brittney Thoreson, Rebekah Summer

Not present: Brian Klimek

Start: 6:06pm

2. Approve Agenda Hills/Loveland: Motion carries

3. Board Applicant Introduction and Questions – Equipment Manager - 1 year term (May 2025), would run for reelection in June

a. **Aaron Williams** - Involved in AAHA for 6 years, son 2nd year Squirt

b. **Maria Kohnhorst** - Son is goalie on Squirt Grey

4. Approve Minutes – Dec 2024 Thoreson/Hills: Motion carries

5. Financial Reports:

1. Gambling (Rebekah)

i. Additional details for Gambling reports are reported to the board members from financials submitted to the Gambling Control Board. These reports are available upon request to the membership.

ii. **Need another Asst Gambling Manager**

1. Andrea to post another blast on promotion of this position. 12-20 hours/week (3 days/week)

1. Hiring an additional Assistant Gambling Manager/\$17/hr

2. Budget Request for payroll. Hills/Blakesely: Motion carries.

3. Douglas County Fair – Aaron Williams brought forward as representation of the MN Fair Board that they are interested in having pull tabs at the fair. Rebekah will look into this as an option.

6. AAHA Financials (Kelli)

1. Duluth East Payment for Ref fees

i. Bantam AAs were required to pay ref fees at Duluth tournament

ii. Consider this as we go into next years budget

2. P&L

i. Didn't pay refs or ice until early January, higher expense then

- ii. Registration fees are up about \$16,000 – last reoccurring payments came through
 - iii. Junior Golf refund will come through in January 21
 - iv. Alex Motors donation came through in December of \$500
 - v. New coaches bags are ready for pick up and will hit January budget - \$55/each for about 13 coaches
3. Working on a successor for Kelli's position. Kelli's goal is to be done at the end of March.
 4. Motion to approve the financials: Thoreson/Waldorf: motion carries.

7. Committee Reports:

1. Tournament/Team Manager

- i. Sent out dates for next year to confirm hotel room blocks

2. Volunteer Coordinator

- i. Done with inputting Dibs in for Coaches, managers, committees, and board members.
- ii. We will be using dibs for both the VFW & Bantam B2 Tournaments-would like to elaborate.
- iii. We are on track as of now to be ok with dibs and numbers.

3. Concessions Scheduler/Concessions

- i. Coke has replaced both coffee and Cappuccino machines.
- ii. Numbers on sales have stayed strong for home tournaments and High School games. Pizza is selling very well.
- iii. Discussion was had who all had keys for the stand office and equipment room. Quote to replace cylinders and get new (30) keys is \$341.06
 1. Approved to move forward with getting new keys, will wait until next season. Hills/Loveland: motion carries.
- iv. Working with AFSC and Apryl on staffing upcoming events they have.
- v. Requested that we get schedule sooner from Jason Latimier again.
- vi. Stacy Gibson review was completed 1-19-24

4. Sponsorship (Josh W)

- i. The sponsorship board has been updated and sponsorships are wrapped up for the year
- ii.

5. Old Business

- i. RCC expansion
- ii. Explore Alex
- iii. Submit for 2nd half of funds in early April reminder
- iv. Locker Room Monitors
- v. Charitable Gambling Committee Application
- vi. VFW Bantam State Tournament (February 9-11)
- vii. AAHA Credit Card

8. New Business

1. Rev'd Up at the RCC - non-profit donation
2. RCC Expansion Project Invoice Approval Filming/Editing

3. Board Application Review - Equipment Director
 4. Updates on Hockey Director plan and next steps
 5. Solicitation to advertise Summer programs
 6. Feedback from members on Hockey Season, committee
- 9. Meeting Adjourned 8:10pm**

Next Board Meeting- Sunday, February 25th at 6 PM

Location - RCC

Mission Statement

The Alexandria Area Hockey Association (AAHA) is committed to providing a quality environment for youth hockey players to learn and enjoy the sport of hockey.