



# ANOKA AREA HOCKEY ASSOCIATION



## MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

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**Monday November 27th, 2023**

**Motion to call meeting to order: 7:04 p.m by Tom Chrest**

**Minutes taken by: Becca Patrick**

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**Members present: Tom Chrest, Mike Hansen, Audra Wander, Becca Patrick, Melissa Thalín, Cory Schmidt, Mike Schouviller, Ashley Christensen, Matt Satzinger, Jason Lindberg, TJ Lyon**

**Ancillary members present: Brandon Rykkeli, Stephanie Reichow, Kim Brotkowski, Simone Schara**

**Members absent: Joe Super, Jay Wagamon, Mark Rice**

**Ancillary members absent:**

**Next board meeting: Monday, December 18th**

**Guests present: Jennifer Good, Heather Saulsbury, Julie Williams, Erin Anderson**

**Motion to adjourn meeting: Motion to Adjourn at 10:00 pm by Audra**

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### APPROVE MINUTES

New business:

- ~~Vote Green Giants donation~~
- ~~Vote Sophies Squad donation~~
- ~~Guest Jen Good, looking to finalize details on mentorship program~~
- Motion for Jay in his absence - refer to email

Motion to approve the October minutes by Audra, second by Cory, with the amendment to include information on Colleen from D10 being in attendance to go over waiver policy.

Motion to approve October gambling report by Mike H, second by Matt. All in favor, approved unanimously.

### ANCILLARY MEMBERS REPORT

### **Gambling Report/Gaming Committee Report (Simone Schara)**

Completed mandatory gambling manager continuing education. Good for 1 year.

Motion for approval to pay up to \$350,000 to the Anoka Area Ice Arena for the 2023/2024 hockey season, motion by Becca, second by Audra. Approved unanimously.

Motion to approve up to \$130,000 for the month of December for gambling expenditures. Motion by Mike H second by Matt S. Approved unanimously.

\*Note on how to spend gambling funds in dryland - since we lease the dryland room, we cannot use gambling money to make improvements to the physical space. Equipment etc, that can be taken out and moved can be paid for with gambling

### **Ice Schedulers Report (Brandon Rykkeli)**

December ice is posted. Jan / Feb will be posted in the next few weeks.

### **Registrar's Report (Stephanie Reichow)**

Need coaches requirements to be completed for Mite coaches. Roster sign off is coming up for Mites. (Dec 2nd)

Locker room monitors for girls teams - many still need to register.

Note: Would like clear communication at the end of the season for going forward on who has what communication roles - for example - who reviews things that get put online as far as steps to be taken for coaches and managers registration, etc.

### **Treasurer & Finance Manager's Report (Kim Brotkowski)**

Motion to approve Finance Report for the month of October, motion by Jason L, second by Cory. Approved unanimously.

### **D10 & President's Report (Tom Chrest)**

Great job to Cory and all of the volunteers on the Casey Orn Memorial Bantam Tournament. Positive comments from mini cyclones and try hockey for free. Way to go Ashley and volunteers.

D10 meeting reminder: regular season started, just want to remind teams of the locker room monitor and mouth guard policies.

D10 meeting was moved to Dec 11th as requested by Hidden Haven. HMI is getting real close to starting chapels.

### **Traveling / Boys (TJ Lyon)**

Coaches meeting mid year will be added to the calendar before the end of year. Will check in with coaches prior to then to see how seasons are going.

### **Traveling / Girls (Matt Satzinger)**

Nov 8th received jerseys and got them distributed to the teams - Issues were Youth sizes were small fitting while the adults sizes were larger sizing. We have multiple Adult goalie larges that will not fit any typical child goalie. But everyone is good with what they have after multiple changes.

Nov 16 received Game socks- We did not receive enough properly fitted socks. We have 30 pairs of 22” socks in inventory, but had to get an extra 30 pairs of 24” socks and 10 pairs of 26” socks.

Communicated with Managers regarding Locker Room Monitor statuses along with Stephanie to ensure we are compliant.

Communicated with Managers on Gamesheet iPad and made sure player numbers have been updated since receiving their team jerseys.

Working with Rogers and Mike regarding Girls Tournament volunteer Dibs. So far 5 teams have fulfilled 249 hours. Only have 1 team that has not fulfilled their required 40 hours. Utilizing Sign up genius worked extremely well with Rogers families.

### **Mites (Jay Wagamon)**

All teams are made. Jerseys have been given out to teams. We had the mite manager meeting. Had D10 mite game meeting so most games are scheduled. Had the first jamboree committee meeting. Mites jersey approval - for the A team to order their own jersey if approved by the board. They will be paid for by a company of one of the parents. There are some kids expecting a traveling jersey as this has been done in the past and unfortunately that did not end up being able to happen this year.

### **Tournaments (Cory Schmidt)**

1 opening left for the peewee tournament. All other tournaments have been filled.

Bantam tournament went well. Girls tournament is coming up the first weekend in December.

### **Recruitment & Retention (Ashley Christensen)**

Completed Mini Cyclone registration and equipment handouts.

### **Equipment & Facilities (Joe Super)**

Completed Distribution of jerseys

- Bantams needed heavier weight jerseys
- Some socks needed to be reordered
- handful of larger sizes needed
- some sock packages labeled M/S were actually small (manufacturer error)
- overall positive feedback of jerseys color, design, etc

Completion of approved Hospitality Room remodel

- Projection Screen & Projector (labor by Jason Wander. THANK YOU!)
- Interactive touch podium with internal PC
- Wall plate for BYOD devices (additional laptop, Apple TV, etc)

Request made to AAIA:

- Addressing gaps in boards (sticks getting caught, etc)
- Requesting 'Slow' or 'Caution' sign for rink patrons parking in overflow/baseball lot (request needs to go to the city)
- Additional request for access to Dryland room via Rink 2. Request denied)
- Request to install iPad holder/chargers that were purchased last year. Request pending
- Will be removing some of the extra lockers from Coaches room in Rink 2. Confirmed they are AAHA property (do we give away? Sell? Scrap?)

### **Fundraising & Communications (Melissa Thalin)**

Done via email due to time constraints. Approved unanimously

I am requesting your approval for a 50/50 raffle at the girl's Anoka Classic tournament the week of Nov 30th. Your urgent approval is requested to ensure we get MN Gambling approval and the tickets printed in time for the tournament.

Prepare/organize/run the Bantam tournament 50/50 raffle, collect money from families still owing money for calendar raffles, assisted with Nov Co-op newsletter, prepare/organize/run pucks for bantam tournament & dance blanket fundraisers, organize pictures, update Policy and Procedures manual and collect directorship roles and responsibilities, assist with SKATE emails, send emails upon request.

### **Player Development (Jason Lindberg)**

MEGA Goalie Training @ Super Rink Facility

Rescheduling PEP Training due to the coach being sick. Pro membership of the coaches site - on sale for black Friday for \$75.

### **Tryouts (Mark Rice)**

All tryout pinnies have been washed, inventoried, and returned to the storage room for next season.

### **Volunteers (Mike Schouviller)**

Dibs for the bantam tournament were posted and most dibs were claimed and completed. There were a few no shows but either the office runner or other bantam parents were able to fill in. All bantam teams completed there required 40 hours to receive their registration discount. Dibs for the girls tournament were coordinated with the Rogers association families. They were given an opportunity to claim dibs via signup genius and the remainder of the dibs were posted on SportsEngine. Most dibs have been claimed however there are some still a few open. I am currently evaluating if teams have met their 40 hrs but expect they all will.

Jen Good here to get the ball rolling on the mentorship program.

Asks: New page on the website, Melissa's help sending out an email, 1-2 hours of ice time,

This year - January February. Following years goal is for full hockey season

Bantams and Pee Wees would apply to be a mentor to squirts and mites

Stephanie to follow up regarding rostering for the mentors.

Motion by Becca to have Jen take the lead on the mentorship, second by Mike. All in favor. Approved unanimously.

Motion by Rebecca to donate \$300 to Sophies, second by Matt S. \$200 initial request of Sean, plus additional \$100 we made off of the pace pucks sold at the bantam tournament.

Approved unanimously.

Motion by Becca to donate \$500 each to Karma Waste and Olivia Nedved plus an hour of ice if available (ice to be paid from gambling, \$500 each paid from general fund)

Second by Melissa. Approved unanimously.