

OAHE HOCKEY BOARD MINUTES

Expo Building in Fort Pierre, SD

April 9th, 2013 6:30 pm

March 31 available cash in checking account is \$12,855.33. Of that, \$1500 from the Sam Tronnes Grant should be marked “restricted”. March was a negative month with our income at \$18,420 and expenses \$19,521.08. As the season comes to a close, we have some final bills to be paid (SDAHA and coaching expenses) as well as some credits yet to come (Pepsi and other concession vendors).

Motion was made by Laura Schoen-Carbonneau, seconded by Kevin Atkins, to approve the Treasurer’s report. Motion carries.

**Out of order due to arrival time:

Dennis Ryckman from Factor 360 presented a bid to continue with our Web CMS which they developed 5 years ago for OHA. Factor 360 is willing to update and improve existing system to meet our needs as well as technological advances—registration billing and forms; accessibility via smart phones for registration, volunteer info/hours, and site information. Due to current contract expiring soon, and registration starting in July, a decision is needed shortly. Dennis is willing to continue with contract terms consistent with what is currently in place price-wise while incorporating our requested changes. He has presented a 5-year contract, but is willing to look at the option of a 3-year contract with 2 1-year renewals. Board thanked Dennis for his time and presentation, as well as his willingness to continue to move forward with our association.

- Registrar – Kevin Atkins

- Website Committee is to look at proposals from other vendors prior to next board meeting, and will make recommendation to board at that time.
- Scoreboard does appear feasible regarding EXPO structural capabilities; Ferding Electric is contracted installer for Daktronics and labor has potential to be donated. Kevin will get firm bid before Board moves ahead.
- There are still a number of people missing volunteer hours this week with a range of 7 to 2 families per level short hours and 8 to 5 individual skaters short per level. That is a lot of people short hours. Request will be made reminding people to submit hours before we have to start collecting fees.

- Players – Laura Schoen-Carbonneau

- Spring programs

- The Mini Mite and Mite Skills and Scrimmage program is underway. It began Sunday night and will run for 5 weeks. Spring 3 vs 3 for Squirts and Pee Wees also began on Sunday. That program will run 6 weeks.

- 2013/2014 Coordinators and other roles

- I am still looking for a Pee Wee coordinator and there may still be some other openings, but I have some backup plans in the works if needed. Lisa Gordon and Dede Fasken are both planning to do concessions again. Cindy Meyer is on board again to do merchandise.

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Here's what I have so far for coordinators:

Learn to Skate -

Mini Mite – Amanda Dodson

Mite – Kellie Beck

Squirt – Ashlie Serbousek

Pee Wee -

Bantam – Kathy Norwick, Marcia Hultman

Girls – Deedra Geisinger

Boys JV/Varsity – Sheri Anderson

Youth Helmets:

I've connected with Paul Nelson about ordering some new helmets for the younger levels. We need to sort through helmets that have been turned in to separate the Stanley County Gold Program helmets from OHA Helmets – they got mixed up during our Come Try Hockey event in October.

Other

Skills/Scrimmage at PAYSA is going well. \$575 from the Sam Tronnes Grant will be paid to PAYSA to offset expenses.

I haven't begun working on the hockey rack card yet (partially paid for by Sam Tronnes Grant) but I will do that over the next few months.

I also haven't done anything yet on "fun hockey ideas" but plan to do that before the new season starts. Any ideas that come up will be brought to the board to get an OK before proceeding.

Mites and under might have a summer beach party – I was going through old e-mails on my computer and noticed they used to do this a few years ago. Amanda Dodson said she would help organize. Do any other levels do any team building events in the off season?

- League Play – Ron Wagner (Absent)

- Rink Operations – Gordon Woods (Need his report)
 - Dennis from Expo Board cleared the rink, so OHA is officially out of the Expo for the season.
 - Rivet machine is in.
 - Floor of rink is very rough from the National Guard/sandbags, so Gordy is looking at some resurfacing options.
 - Teardown went well; lots of volunteers. Refrigerant was pumped out— expect bill to be about \$500.

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- 9/25/2013 will start rink set-up for 2013-2014 season. 10/14/2013 will be start of camp.
 - Rink set-up should be enhanced/sped up with installation of the new dehumidifier.
 - Rink will need new kick plates on the boards---a summer job if anyone is short hours.
 - Some helmets had to be replaced from the Stanley County Gold Program. Request to add a page on registration regarding need for equipment rental so we can have enough on-hand as needed.

 - Fundraising – Kathy Norwick
 - Zamboni Days will be held on Thursday, April 18th from 5:30-8:30.
 - At this moment we are still short one Zamboni leader. A meeting will be held with the rest of the leaders on Monday, April 8th to create teams. The teams will be as consistent as possible to help build "team unity" and so that people get to know their areas which help in figuring out which areas are not beneficial to stop at.
 - Jeff and I have been discussing the advertisement for this but we are thinking we will be short about \$100 and will need to discuss if we should spend it or not. Also, I hope to have another newsletter sent out to explain how Zamboni Days work and the importance of everyone helping out.

 - Communications – Jeff Mammenga
 - Advertising for Zamboni Days going out.
 - Will send Survey Monkey for Pepsi pre-orders.
 - Reminder to complete surveys will also be sent.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Scoreboard: As discussed in Kevin's report—he will get concrete bid so Board can determine approach to moving forward.

- B. Website Service Contract: Dennis presented. Board will await recommendation from committee at next Board Meeting as additional bids/proposals are received.

- C. OHA Survey: As reported earlier; Laura sent reminders today to coordinators to remind families to complete and Jeff will do a mass email in newsletter.

- D. Coaches' Stipend: Board allocated \$3800 to be distributed to non-parent coaches depending on level coached as well as position (head or assistant).

NEW BUSINESS

None.

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Annual Meeting and June Board Meeting will be held Monday, June 10th at 6:30. The election of new officers will occur at the Annual Meeting. Craig Davis will chair the nominations committee. Open positions include: Vice President, Treasurer, Director of League Play, Fundraising, and Communications. Ron Wagner is stepping away from the Board, but will continue as Coaching Director. However, we are also looking for a scheduler.

Next year is our association's 20th Anniversary! Kathy Norwick has agreed to help head the committee that will make it an exciting year for all!

Motion was made by Kevin Atkins, seconded by Kathy Norwick, to adjourn the Meeting. Meeting Adjourned at 9:54.

The next meeting will be held at 6:30 pm on Monday, May 13th, 2013 at the Expo Building in Fort Pierre!