

WAYHA Board Meeting Minutes

11/13/2024 - 7:00PM - Bud King Ice Arena

Those indicated in **bold** were present at the meeting.

Board members: **Brent MacLennan**, Marty Moran, **J.J. Pettit**, **Laura Slavey**, **Alex Tipton**, **Cassie Stratton**, **Drew Krings**, **Erika Vail**, **Lindsey Posey**, **Marcus Burnham**, Stephen LaValla

Others Present: **Bill Rickoff**, **Nick Henderson**, **Brad Hermesen**

Meeting called to order at: 7:00 pm

Public Comments:

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Motion to approve October minutes

- Motion to approve virtual votes and minutes
 - Motion - Cassie Stratton
 - 2nd - Erika Vail
 - Motion **carried**/denied
 - Abstain

Gambling report:

- Report: Going great. Audit is going slow. MG's is going exceptionally well.
- Motion to approve October Gambling Report
 - Motion: Drew Krings
 - 2nd: Laura Slavey
 - Motion **carried**/denied:
 - Abstain:
- Motion to approve allowed expenses:
 - Accounting up to \$200
 - Cost of games up to \$12,000
 - Payroll taxes up to \$1,000
 - Rent up to \$40,000
 - Manager/payroll audit up to \$6,000
 - Combined receipts up to \$80,000
 - Motion: Drew Krings
 - 2nd: Brent MacLennan
 - Motion **carried**/denied
 - Abstain:

Committees Chaired by Non-Board Members Reports:

Equipment Manager (Ben Gordon)

- Report: Keep Ben informed and involved in equipment matters. Equipment budget. Mite jerseys moved for proposal.

Tournament Committee (Nick Henderson)

- Report: The Bantam B Tournament was a success! Thank you to all of the WAYHA volunteers. Special thanks to Cassie Stratton, Erin Van Beek, and the volunteer committee for organizing volunteers!
- Remaining tournaments for 2024-2025
 - **Squirt C**
 - December 6-8 2024
 - Sold Out
 - **Mite Jamboree**
 - Many spots remaining, feedback is that teams are still deciding how many 6u/8u teams will be in their associations
 - Not a tournament committee event in 2025
 - **PeeWee C End of Year**
 - February 28 - March 2nd 2025
 - Registration Opened
 - **Girls 12u B Districts**
 - February 14-16 2025
 - Registration Opened
 - Cassie to coordinate with Rugby team for coverage as we do not have a home team for this tournament
 - **Squirt B2 End of Year**
 - March 7-9 2025
 - Needs board approval
 - District 9 needs a host for the Squirt B2 End of Year Tournament
 - Scheduler, Ryan Wadewitz, recommended WAYHA attempt to host due to open schedule in March 2025
 - Proposed Tournament Date: March 7-9 2025
 - Great ice time availability in March
 - Potential for ~\$8-10k in registration fees
 - Squirt B2 currently registered for 2 away tournaments
 - Nick to work with Scheduler to lock in dates for next year. Ryan and Nick to communicate dates to the HS Athletic Director by the end of November.
 - South St. Paul Bantam B team provided very positive feedback to Brent

Hockey Operations Committee (Brad Hermesen)

- Report: Having the budget has been good. Brad working with Mark to manage game pucks. Squirt B1 seeking new tournament to replace Hudson Tournament. D9 is allowing B1 team to play A teams in the district. Squirt jamboree with Dodge County and Albert Lea was a success and will be done again next year. Out of town coaches appreciated ½ ice games as well. D9 doing 10U B1 and B2 classifications. Suggest team manager training.

Finance Committee:

- Report: Audit is still on hold - waiting for the gambling portion to be completed by Brian, Hoping for the presentation at the Dec meeting
- Granting access to Dawn for online banking. She would need to be a signer on the account to view online access; see issues with the internal controls and the auditors.
- We should be creating team budgets per team for misc expenses i.e. print outs
- Motion to approve October finance Reports
 - Motion: Brent MacLennan
 - 2nd: Marcus Burnham
 - Motion **carried**/denied
 - Abstain

Executive Committee Comments:

- Complaint about arena attendees parking in front of mini storage.
 - Alex Tipton and J.J. Pettit to create a parking diagram sign and give to Nick for tournaments
- City Contact Update - (Brent/Marty)
 - Many differences between last update and recent iteration from the city
- Task management system (J.J.)
 - Looking for ideas to manage
- Looman Email response (J.J.)
 - Brent to reach out to the Looman family and offer a private meeting with Drew as a member of the program committee and the board.

Actionable Items:

Old Business

- Motion
 - Motion:
 - 2nd:
 - Motion carried/denied:
 - Abstain:

New Business

- Motion to accept the D9 B2 Squirt Tournament March 7-9 2025 (Nick Henderson)
 - Motion: Brent MacLennan
 - 2nd: Drew Krings
 - Motion **carried**/denied:
 - Abstain:
- Motion to remove fees for mite jamboree and reimburse teams that have already paid. (Marty Moran)
 - Motion: Brent MacLennan
 - 2nd: Erika Vail

- Motion **carried**/denied:
 - Abstain:
- Motion to support splitting concession stand revenue with the Girls HS Hockey team for their holiday tournament (Marty Moran)
 - Motion: Did not go to motion. Brent MacLennan to connect with Rick Burns. Brad Hermsen to talk to captains about coming into the meeting to ask for donation.
 - 2nd:
 - Motion **carried**/denied:
 - Abstain:
- Motion to approve up to \$2,200 for use of WFSC coaches for Monday Mini Mites and older level skills, and Wednesday Mite Practices. (Marty Moran)
 - Motion: Alex Tipton
 - 2nd: Erika Vail
 - Motion **carried**/denied:
 - Abstain:
- Motion to give ice time on Sunday mornings (7am-9am and 9pm-10pm) for private lessons by the WFSC for WAYHA players.
 - Motion: did not go to motion - Brent MacLennan to reach out to Scheduler to confirm availability and return to board - potential to virtual vote.
 - 2nd:
 - Motion **carried**/denied:
 - Abstain:
- Motion to up to \$2,300 for equipment manager budget as outlined in file
 - Motion: Brent MacLennan
 - 2nd: Lindsey Posey
 - Motion **carried**/denied:
 - Abstain:
- Motion to accept \$100,000 from gambling
 - Motion: Brent MacLennan
 - 2nd: Drew Krings
 - Motion **carried**/denied:
 - Abstain:

Board Member Chaired Committee Updates:

Long Term Planning / Facilities Committee (Alex Tipton)

- ISG Concept Drawings
 - Status Update
 - <https://drive.google.com/drive/u/0/folders/1c-d6PyfzKuZILJYAI8LhAKIfcOp2fokn>
- LTPC Budget Review
 - <https://drive.google.com/drive/u/0/folders/1c-d6PyfzKuZILJYAI8LhAKIfcOp2fokn>
- Project Updates
 - MPR Furniture - ordered

- Concessions Monitors - revising sponsor slides, working out kinks with livebarn otherwise functional, positive feedback
- Streaming Lobby TV - waiting for right time with City approval
- Locker Room Monitors - fabrication ongoing
- iPads - GameSheets fully functional for this season - Alex will be waiting to purchase until later in the year.

Marketing Committee (J.J. Pettit)

- Report: Fastenal Print shop will no longer bill WAYHA. Items must be paid for upon pick up.
- Jersey update - moving along and on track for 3 finalist by end of December

Fundraising Committee (Lindsey Posey)

- Report: Sponsorship invoices going out. Offering \$50 digital sponsorship on rink screens. Little Caesars offered chuck a puck program. Lindsey to investigate.

Volunteer Committee (Cassie Stratton)

- Report:
 - Second Volunteer Hours Training Scheduled Saturday, Nov. 16 @ 7:30
 - Proposal for SOPs for WAYHA Events
 - Cassie to see if Nick is interested in helping with creating of event SOP together
 - Discussion around formalizing communication steps and approved actions for committees to follow.
 - Marcus to review SportsEngine access levels
 - Cassie reaching out to team managers
 - Volunteer will create optional playlist for game music

New Family Mentor Committee (Erika Vail)

- Report: \$500 check received from MNHK

Other Items:

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Virtual Votes:

- Motion to approve up to \$1,750 for the purchase of unordered hats through the flash sale.
 - Motion: J.J. Pettit
 - 2nd: Erika Vail
 - Motion **carried**/denied:
 - Abstain:
- Motion to approve up to \$1000 for purchase of iPads to operate game sheets
 - Motion: Drew Krings
 - 2nd: Erika Vail
 - Motion **carried**/denied:
 - Abstain:

Meeting adjourned at: 9:58

- Motion to Adjourn
 - Motion: Brent MacLennan
 - 2nd: Marcus Burnham

- Motion **carried**/denied:
 - Abstain: