CHIPPEWA YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, January 17, 2024

LOCATION: CYHA Board Room at 5:30 pm



President:2026Trevor BohlandVice President:2025Steve GibbsTreasurer:2026Dom Ryder

Secretary: 2025 Jennifer Lindstrom

Directors: 2024 Nick Hart, Derek Darrow, Eric Mueller, Abby Reilly

2025 Doug Custer, Erik Lemay2026 Jason Darley, Mike Patten

Rink Manager: Bob Normand

Attendance: All Board members attended. Others in attendance included Katy Miland, FSC representative.

- 1. General Meeting: Katy Miland requested Saturday, December 7, 2024, for the Chippewa Figure Skating Competition next year and for permission to hang the figure skating gold banners in the north rink. Katy asked whether hours claimed on Dibs automatically transfer for assessment hour tracking. Hours do not automatically transfer; members must submit them separately. Katy inquired whether the figure skating board could be trained to run the heaters for events. To protect the ice, only certain members are authorized to run the heaters. Katy was provided some names of members who can help. Lastly, thank you Bill Burish for making the lost and found boxes for both rinks. They work great!
- **2. Secretary's Report**: Sent out and approved via email.
- 3. Treasurer's Report: Sent out via email. Motion to approve by Steve Gibbs, seconded by Doug Custer. Motion carried.
- 4. Correspondence/Officer Reports
 - President
 - Trevor suggested that CYHA create a Culture Committee to meld the knowledge of our experienced board members with the creativity and energy of the newer members. The Board appointed the following to this committee: Steve Gibbs, Bob Normand, Erik LeMay, Jennifer Lindstrom, Abby Reilly, and Mike Patten.
 - Chippewa Steel one year extension agreement nearing completion.
 - o Several coaches have still not completed required certifications.
 - Waiting for Tweet Garot to answer questions about the chiller replacement project.
 - Conflict of interest policy was circulated to all board members to comply with our policy to annually review for potential conflicts.
 - Mason Companies offered to sell a portion of their parking lot to CYHA before they turn it into green space. Bob Normand motioned to purchase the parking lot for the asking price of \$5,000, seconded by Jason Darley. Motion carried with Jennifer Lindstrom abstaining from the vote. Discussion ensued about the potential future expansion possibilities.
- 5. Old Business: None

6. New Business: None

7. Committee Reports

A. Finance/Administration (Dom R)

a. Dominic Ryder reported that the market value of our endowment fund is up \$53k, 15%, since January 1, 2023. The CYHA financial statements are only marked to market at our April fiscal year end, so this increase is not reflected in our financials.

B. Fundraising (Jason D)

- a. Capital campaign for new ice system The committee is still reviewing proposals and considering adding other projects that donors can see.
- b. Looking for a donor for new Mini-mite jerseys for next season.
- c. Bingo \$3900 jackpot currently.
- d. Beerfest Lindsey Boetcher agreed to lead again, and the dates is set for June 1, 2014.

C. PDC (Nick H, Eric M)

- a. Mike Patten reported that the organization and preparation for Goalie Skills has improved over the past month and has been manageable with only 2 coaches. Thank you to the Steel for providing 5-6 shooters each practice. The practice plan has been shared with the Steel players, which has allowed them to run the drills for Peewee and Bantams.
- b. The PDC is looking for spring ice and will coordinate with Bob.

D. Concessions (Erik L)

- a. Working with Pepsi and the Steel to discuss the pricing of products and options to reduce the expense to remain in line with concessions pricing for Pepsi products.
- b. Open Skate concession shifts are available for January and February. Hours are 5:45-8:15 pm. It's a great way to get hours in for the season! As a reminder, if no one has signed up, the team responsible for cleaning that week must cover.
- c. For skate rentals in pro shop, no one has signed up to cover skate rentals so teams will need to cover based on their cleaning weeks. This too is an easy way to get hours. To clarify you don't need to know how to sharpen skates or do anything else in the Pro Shop except handle skate rentals (sizing, checking them out, collecting payment and putting them back when returned).

E. Equipment (Mike P)

a. Mike Patten reported that CYHA was awarded a \$1,000 WAHA Grass Roots Grant to be applied to new helmets for GOAL.

F. Operations and Maintenance (Derek D)

- a. Zamboni drivers, please remember to turn the water off when turning on the ends.
- b. Outdoor rink is ready. Thank you, Eric Mueller, for putting in long hours to get the ice ready.
- c. Cleaning assignments are going well. Please put tools and supplies back where you found them, hopefully in the utility rooms on each end of the rink.

G. Tournaments/Team Reps (Doug C)

- a. Doug Custer presented an updated Locker Room Policy. **Steve Gibbs** motioned to approve the updated policy, seconded by Mike Patten. Motion carried.
- b. Workers for tournaments with one team continues to be an issue and puts a lot of pressure on the Tournament committee and Team managers. Some ideas for improvement are being developed for next season.
- c. CYHA received several positive comments from recent tournament participants.

H. Recruitment/Publicity (Abby R)

- a. January GOAL was kicked off on 1/15 with 29 registered and 2 drop ins. The next dates are 1/22 and 1/24.
- b. Upcoming Steel Promotional Nights
 - 1/17 Faith Night
 - 1/19 Girls Youth Hockey Night U8 girls are skating between periods
 - 1/26 Hawaiian Night
 - 2/3 Skate with the Steel & Youth Hockey Night

I. Facilities (Bob N)

- a. Heat exchanger on the south rink is broken. Working with Kelly Heating to get it fixed.
- b. Scheduling 4k programs
- **8. Closed Session:** Jason Darley motioned to go into closed session at 6:55 pm, seconded by Abby Reilly. Motion carried. Returned to open session at 7:00 pm.
- **9. Adjournment:** Motion by Abby Reilly to adjourn at 7:00 pm, seconded by Doug Custer. Motion carried.