

**Oahe Hockey Association  
May 2015 Board Meeting Minutes  
OHA Board Room  
Monday, May 18, 2015**

Board President, Craig Davis, called the May Board Meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. CST.

Board Members Present: Stephanie Lyons, Tiffany Sanchez, Katie Starr, Gordon Woods, Serena Swenson, Nathan Sanderson, and Tony Leif. Board members Bob Gray, Jim Wedin, Mike Mueller, and Lee Axdahl were absent.

**A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM APRIL BOARD MEETING**

An error was made in the April Board Minutes presented. Board Secretary, Stephanie Lyons, will make the change stating that at the Spring SDAHA Board Meeting, it was approved that only 3 referees will now be required at ALL league level games, including at the Varsity Level.

**Board President Davis entertained a Motion to approve the April Board Meeting Minutes, with this change being made by Secretary Lyons. Motion made by Nathan Sanderson. Second by Serena Swenson. Motion passed unanimously.**

**B. DIRECTOR AND OFFICER REPORTS:**

**1. TREASURER – TIFFANY SANCHEZ**

Apr 30 checking balance (Total OHA Funds): \$35,370.64

Restricted Funds: \$23,373.83

Total Funds Available (Cash Balance) as of Apr 30: \$ 11,996.81

April Income

(Concessions leftover product purchases, merchandise revenue, retired jersey purchase and volunteer hours totaling \$1424.10)

April Expenses

(advertising [chicks with sticks printing], coach reimbursement, merchandise expense, RAM rink expense [dehumidifier repair], rink expenses of cleaning, equipment and snow removal to city of Ft. Pierre, return of squirt tournament registration overage, utilities and Zamboni expenses totaling \$8,107.65)

Monthly shortage of \$6,683.55 (to be expected this time of year)

**Tiffany's respectfully submitted Report of May 1-18:**

May 1-18 income: Ramkota kick-back \$240, equipment lease income and retired jersey purchases totaling \$580.

May 1-18 expenses: State assessments \$3565.93; board expenses (register with Sect. of State), Coach stipends/reimbursements, phone and internet, and 2014 tax prep totaling \$9053.52.

Ending checkbook balance as of 5/18/15: \$26,897.12 (of which \$23,373.83 = Restricted Funds and \$3523.29 = operating funds).

Remaining season expenses include: insurance, jerseys, and monthly phone bills. Outstanding income includes senior showcase and Bantam A reimbursement; calendar sponsor and sign sponsor payments. We also have outstanding checks totaling \$1222.32 that haven't cleared from 2013 and 2014....I will follow those up and return to balance if appropriate before the end of the season.

We also have a bill for the new varsity jerseys for \$5475.96.

I have stipend checks and thank-yous for the 2014-15 season non-parent coaches for our Board to sign, and will then put them in the mail.

Overall we had a good budget year as we pretty much broke even.

Tiffany proposed the assessment of a jersey fee to Boys JV/Varsity players, starting in the upcoming season. If approved, Tiffany would add a line to the budget called “Jerseys”. This would help to offset large costs to OHA for jersey purchases, and it would be assessed and collected each year when player jerseys are handed out. The cost of a player’s jersey would be pro-rated over 3 years during a player’s sophomore, junior, and senior year. After the player has graduated, the player would be able to keep their jersey. If the player would want to keep both of their jerseys, the player would be assessed an additional \$50 to purchase the 2<sup>nd</sup> jersey to keep; and this would be done during the player’s senior season.

	<u>Season</u>	<u>Senior</u>	<u>Junior</u>	<u>Sophomore</u>	
	2015-16	50	40	30	
	2016-17	40	30	30	
	2017-18	30	30	30	
	2018-19 and going forward	30	30	30	
<b>***** At Senior Year - the 2nd Player Jersey may be Purchased for \$50 *****</b>					

**Gordon Woods made a motion to accept the jersey fee proposal, as laid out and presented. Second by Katie Starr. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Board President Davis entertained a motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report. Nathan Sanderson made the Motion. Second by Gordon Woods. Motion passed unanimously.**

**2. REGISTRAR – LEE AXDAHL**

No Report Given – Absent.

Mike Mueller made mention that he would work with Lee sometime this summer, to meet with Factor 360, to streamline things on our website and with our on-line registration process.

**3. PLAYERS – KATIE STARR**

No Bantam Coordinator yet.

At the Varsity Level, Kathy Norwick will continue to assign volunteers, Kris Bucholtz will continue to do jerseys, and Marcia Hultman will continue to be the Coordinator. Each will get 20 hours for their respective duties.

There will be no coordinators who are coaches' wives, at the same level.

**4. COACHING – JIM WEDIN**

No Report Given – Absent.

President Davis stated that Jim will not be renewing his Board Position as Director of Coaching. Jim will be focusing on PAYSA. Thus, the Director of Coaching position will be open for new appointment at the June, Annual Board Meeting.

**5. LEAGUE PLAY – CRAIG DAVIS**

Craig will be working on a response to the SDAHA e-mail regarding OHA's state tournament desires for next season. He will also be working on team counts in the coming months after he sees the registration numbers we have at each level.

**6. RINK OPERATIONS – GORDON WOODS**

The dehumidifier will be looked at before next season as a computer code went out – the company OHA bought it from will be contacted.

Nothing else to report. The Board thanked Gordy for his dedicated service to OHA for many, many years.

**7. FUNDRAISING – SERENA SWENSON**

The Shrine Circus will donate \$500 to OHA if we can provide volunteers sell cotton candy during the performances on June 3 and 4. Eight volunteers will be needed each day – 2 hour shifts for each volunteer. Squirt level and up would be the age range of volunteers needed. Katie Starr will send out an e-mail to the coordinators. Mike Mueller will also get the word out.

8. **MARKETING – BOB GRAY**

No Report Given – Absent.

9. **COMMUNICATIONS – MIKE MUELLER**

No Report Given – Absent.

Craig mentioned that the summer hockey programs have gone on the OHA website today.

**OLD BUSINESS**

A. **MITES TEAM SPLIT POLICY**

B. **SQUIRT TEAM SPLIT POLICY**

The Mites and the Squirts Team Split Policy were discussed together. Nathan Sanderson and Bob Gray originally presented these proposed, team split policies to the Board in April. Nathan again presented to the Board now, for further discussion and consideration.

After the April board meeting, Nathan made some revisions to these proposed policies. He also stressed these revisions were to provide coaches with more flexibility, after parent consent and consultation.

Public comment was given and more board discussion took place.

Both the proposed policies were again presented to the board, and it was agreed that the discussion was now down to semantics.

This further modification was agreed to be made:

Squirt Team Split Policy – In the last paragraph, 3<sup>rd</sup> line down, STRIKE “Mite” and INSERT “Squirt”.

**A motion was made by Nathan Sanderson to approve the Mite Team Policy Split as he has presented it with no further modifications to be made.  
Second by Gordon Woods.**

After further board discussion, Tiffany Sanchez made a motion to approve the Mite Team Policy Split if the following was done as well - In the last paragraph, 3rd line down, STRIKE "contribution to team chemistry" and INSERT "and/or". In the last paragraph, 3rd line down, STRIKE "or other criteria". Second by Nathan Sanderson. The motion was approved by 6 passes and 1 nay.

Tiffany Sanchez made a motion to approve the Squirt Team Policy Split if the following was done in addition to STRIKING "Mite" and replacing with "Squirt" as fore-mentioned earlier - In the last paragraph, 3rd line down, STRIKE "contribution to team chemistry" and INSERT "and/or". In the last paragraph, 3rd line down, STRIKE "or other criteria". Second by Nathan Sanderson. The motion was approved by 6 passes and 1 nay.

**C. SUMMER REC/OHA SUMMER PROGRAMS**

An update of the summer programs was given. The Board was encouraged to get the word out regarding the programs at PAYSА. So far, 20 kids have signed up through Summer Rec, but only 10 kids thus far through OHA. Hoping this will gear up and the numbers increase as June 1<sup>st</sup> approaches.

**D. BOARD POSITIONS FOR 2015-2016**

The nominations and elections of open board, officer positions will take place at the June Annual Meeting.

Serena Swenson has graciously agreed to be the Internal Fundraising Director for 2 more years. Mike Mueller has graciously agreed to be the Director of Communications for 2 more years as well.

The final slate of nominations will be posted on the OHA website, by Mike, when the slate is complete before the Annual Meeting.

**E. SUMMER GOALIE CAMP/PAYSА CAMP**

Cody Bishop will be putting on a 4 hour goalie clinic/camp at the end of May. So far, 8 participants have signed up.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

President Davis reminded the Board that the Black Hills Hockey Academy will be held at PAYSA August 3, 4, and 5. It will be for skaters of Mite age through Pee Wee age. He will have more details at the June Board Meeting.

**The OHA Annual Meeting and OHA June Board Meeting will take place at the First National Bank Board Room on Monday, June 15th, in Pierre. The OHA Annual Meeting will start at 6:30 p.m. CST. The OHA June Board Meeting will immediately follow the OHA Annual Meeting.**

**President Davis entertained a Motion to Adjourn. Katie Starr made the Motion. Second by Tiffany Sanchez. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m. CST.**