

Stillwater Area Hockey Association Board Meeting Agenda



Tuesday, August 20th @ 7:00am Lift Bridge Co-Work (The Victorian, Myrtle Steet East)

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Board Members: Matt Tuccitto, Paula Walther, Ed Souter, Justin Kaufenberg, Karla Lunan, John Priestler, Justin Fatheree, Lesley Teigen

Committee and Working Group Members: Jen Zanon, Patrick Budion, Alli Jones

Member Audience:

Meeting Called to Order: Meeting was called to order at 7:05am.

Review and Approve Previous Meeting Minutes: Paula made a motion to approve the May 2024 Meeting Minutes. Justin seconded the motion. Motion to approve the May 2024 Meeting Minutes was passed by unanimous vote. Motion is passed.

Proposed Agenda Topics:

1. Gambling Update
 - a. Monthly tax return with the B2 and three LG form
 - b. Expense journal/check register
 - c. Inventory records/invoices
 - d. Copy of ME physical inventory
 - e. Reconciled bank statement
 - f. Fund loss report
 - g. Other correspondence docs, if applicable
 - h. Minimum wage for booth workers
2. Collection of Mite/8U Level Fees
3. Coach's Meeting
4. Non Parent Coaches
5. Little Wild Program

- 6. Heggies Fundraiser
- 7. Team Pictures

Meeting Discussion:

Gambling Update

July 2024 Total Gross Receipts	\$ 856,855.47
Net Profit	\$(-6,676.28)
Checking Account Balance	\$ 97,547.49
Savings	\$ 51,902.32
Net Receipts	\$ 107,546.11
Total in Prizes Paid	\$ 749,309.36

**Profits from SAHA gambling goes to the youth of St Croix Valley.*

Lakewood Tavern was the highest gross profit for May 2024 and Muddy Cow was second.

- Paula made a motion to approve the lawful gambling report for July 2024. Justin K seconded the motion. Motion to approve the July 2024 gambling report was passed by unanimous vote. Motion is passed.
- John made a motion to pre-approve the allowable expenses of \$199,685 for September 2024 Paula seconded the motion. The motion to pre-approve the September 2024 allowable expenses was approved by unanimous vote. Motion is passed.

Gambling Review

Donations have increased to the association. Previous Board requested a 85/15% split of the profit. 85% going to SAHA and 15% going to other sports teams in the valley. SAHA Board will vote at the next meeting if we should continue to do the 85/15% split or if all of the proceeds should go to SAHA.

A new state law passed effective July 1, The % of etabs that goes to the establishments is now 25% instead of the previous 31%. We will see the effects more in the coming months but this should be a good thing for the association.

Gambling Management has a goal to increase net receipts. The more receipts the more dollars that we can get.

For the 23-24 fiscal year, the donation to SAHA/teams from gambling was 119,475. Again 17% of the overall profit also went to non SAHA athletics (i.e. track, lacrosse, baseball, Go Fund Me for Hockey Community members, ect.)

Finally the Four bars that we continue to focus on that would be very incremental to SAHA are:

- Woody's
- Cozzies
- Carbones
- Brians

Collection of Mite 3 and 4 fees

Managers for Mite 3 and 4 teams will be responsible for collecting the level fee at the beginning of this coming year. Once all fees are collected they will be turned into the treasurer. Our hope is that this will help with the confusion that several experienced in previous years.

Little Wild Program

65 kids that are registered. No adults are allowed on the ice or on the player benches or penalty boxes. The Wild runs this program; they just utilize the Rec Center. They have 6 stations and are looking for 6 adult volunteers and 1 boy and 1girl high school player. Ed will work with the wild and to see what is needed from our association. Female coaches from last year will be reached out too. If anyone is interested in volunteering to help with the Little Wild on ice, please reach out to a board member. In the meantime, John P will work to gather the required volunteers.

Non-Parent Coaches

The SAHA Hockey Operations team is always working hard to find non parent coaches. However, it's proven to be a challenge. If any SAHA members have suggestions or know of someone that is qualified and willing to coach for SAHA, please reach out to a board member.

Last year, SAHA girls u15A team had 2 women coaches. We've been searching for another u15a coach. Specifically we are in contact with several colleges and players. All associations, not just SAHA ask for a lot from non-parents coaches. Including but not limited to ~100ish ice hours, practices, tournaments, practices after 9 pm on weeknights and travel.

On the boys side we had 2 college coaches that worked very well. We look to keep them and use them as assistant coaches

The rise of personal training has significantly increased so rather than coaching for SAHA they are likely spending their time doing private coaching which is much more profitable for them.

Request made to District 2

SAHA has made a formal request to D2 requesting that all associations with 3 or more teams at a one age group must have A team. We have yet to hear back from them but will update in future meeting minutes when we do.

Coaches Meeting, Pictures and the Heggies fundraisers are all in the works and we will be communicating more information once things are finalized.

In July, we added "Improving SAHAs Budget" as a standing monthly topic. We did not have an update at this meeting so will push this to the September meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35am

Next Meeting: September 17 @ 7:00am Lift Bridge Cowork – The Victorian