

**Oahe Hockey Association
May 2019 Board Meeting Minutes
EXPO Center – Fort Pierre, SD
Monday, May 20, 2019**

Board Vice-President, Ryan Swartz, called the May Board meeting to order at 6:36 p.m. CST.

Board Members Present: Ryan Swartz, Stephanie Lyons, Rick Miller, Tawnya Pfeifer, Jon Herman, Craig Davis, Jim Wedin, Lisa Lee, and Nathan Sanderson

Nathan Sanderson made a motion to approve the April 2019 board meeting minutes. Second by Tawnya Pfeifer. Motion to approve April 2019 board meeting minutes passed unanimously.

**I. OHA MEMBER PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD – PAST PRESIDENT
NATHAN SANDERSON**

Past President Sanderson led the nearly 2 hour public comment period regarding the Director of Hockey position.

II. TREASURER’S REPORT – LISA GORDON (ABSENT)

Past President Sanderson gave the report. He met with Treasurer Lisa Gordon since the April board meeting to go over last month’s reported budget shortfall.

We are actually not looking at a budget shortfall. We are actually on track budget-wise. After taking into account the revenue brought in from Bassmasters last July and all other revenues brought in from the season and tournaments - taking into account restricted fund transfers that still needed to be made for Tyler Wilcox and rink improvements - and then deducting our expenses....we are right on track.

A proposal was received for goalie gear of approximately \$5,000. Nathan will be submitting a \$2,000 grant application to the SD Community Foundation to lessen this expense for OHA.

Past President Sanderson proposed and recommended for the current budget year the following at the conclusion of his budget report: (1) \$9,750 for coach stipends; (2) \$5,000 for the goalie gear, taking into account that we will apply for a grant to offset \$2,000 of this expense; (3) that the treasurer transfer approximately \$4,800 from facilities restricted funds into general funds to cover appropriate restricted expenses previously paid with general funds; (4) moving an additional \$15,000 into PAYSAs restricted funds to ensure we're on track to pay the Griese family their portion of the PAYSAs note when it comes due in four years. (The total payment of \$70,000 will be due in 2023; with the current \$15,000 transfer, the total of PAYSAs restricted funds would be at \$30,000, leaving \$40,000 yet to set aside. The plan would then be to move \$10,000 each year for the next 4 years into PAYSAs restricted funds to completely pay off this note.)

Tawnya Pfeifer made a Motion to approve Nathan's recommendations and Treasurer's Report. Second by Jim Wedin. Motion passed unanimously.

III. DIRECTOR AND OFFICER REPORTS

PRESIDENT – LEE AXDAHL (ABSENT)

Vice President Swartz gave the report. President Lee Axdahl will be resigning his position on the board. Thus the office of Board President will be up for election in June to serve out the 1-year remainder of Lee's term.

In June we will have our regular, monthly board meeting followed by the annual meeting where election of officers will take place. The positions up for election are: Treasurer, Director of Coaching, Director of League Play, Director of Fundraising, Director of Communications, Vice-President, and President (for one year). Past President Sanderson agreed to sit for the remainder of President Axdahl's term if no other candidate runs for President.

REGISTRAR – RICK MILLER

Nothing to report.

DIRECTOR OF PLAYERS – TAWNIA PFEIFER

Summer rec numbers look good. Squirt league is a go statewide. Tawnya would be the OHA rep if the board decides to pursue this. The league is by birth year

and associations can have more than 2 teams in the league (minor & major league).

Craig Davis made a motion for OHA to join the SD Squirts Minor & Major Leagues for the SDAHA 2019-2020 season. Second by Nathan Sanderson. Motion approved unanimously.

Tawnya has been contacted on OHA's interest in a Girls U12 and/or U14 team. She will contact Huron's Mike Hunter to get more details on numbers, etc. U12 could dual roster on mites/squirts and U14 could dual roster with Girls Varsity. Hoping to develop our girls teams with the U12 and U14 opportunities. OHA would still need to find a coach for these U12 and/or U14 teams. Tawnya will bring back to the June meeting what she finds out from Mike Hunter so the OHA board can better gauge what could be done by hopefully the July board meeting.

DIRECTOR OF COACHING – JIM WEDIN

Anyone interested in coaching please send his way.

DIRECTOR OF LEAGUE PLAY – CRAIG DAVIS

No report. Bob Gray will be running for his position in June.

DIRECTOR OF RINK OPERATIONS – JON HERMAN

He met new EXPO Board manager (Shane) and Jon thinks they will work well together.

Jon will take a look at the speaker system as he's been told it seems to cut out at times.

DIRECTOR OF FUNDRAISING – DENISE LANGLEY (ABSENT): NO REPORT GIVEN

DIRECTOR OF MARKETING – LENNIS AXDAHL (ABSENT): NO REPORT GIVEN

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS – LISA LEE

So far registered for the Summer Clinic are 68 total (20: Bantams/GV – 16: Vars/JV – 32: PeeWees/Squirts)

VICE-PRESIDENT – RYAN SWARTZ

The EXPO board meeting went well. OHA will not be paying for the new transformer – the EXPO board will pay for it. He will address the high cost of the hot water heater with Wheelhouse Plumbing and report back to both EXPO board and OHA board. He is working with the EXPO board on who will pay for new shower heads in the locker rooms. Reminded everyone on behalf of the EXPO board to make sure that anyone who comes to the EXPO Center to do repairs or work on things must be licensed in Fort Pierre. (e.g. electricians, etc.)

CONCESSIONS – VACANT: NO REPORT GIVEN

IV. PAYSA – CONRAD MALSAM

The ice issues have been resolved now and the ice is now fully frozen again. Discussion for board to consider during budget talk at June board meeting of changing PAYSA use sessions to \$5/time or \$100 per season.

V. OLD BUSINESS

Equipment Purchases: Goalie Gear

We have a goalie gear proposal of \$5,000. Thinking was to use \$3,000 of OHA budget and \$2,000 grant from SDCF to pay for it. An original proposal for \$7,000 was turned in – so with the \$5,000 already approved (Treasurer's report) it leaves us \$2,000 short. The board directed Mike Biehm and Sam Shaw to purchase at the levels they see the greatest need at with the \$5,000 cap, with the board offering any direction if needed.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Officer Elections: At June Annual Meeting

The officer slate will be put on the OHA website.

VII. ADJOURN

Vice-President Swartz asked for a Motion to Adjourn. Rick Miller Made the Motion to Adjourn the May Monthly Board Meeting. Second by Lisa Lee. Motion passed unanimously. The May Monthly Board Meeting was adjourned at 9:23 p.m. CST.

**Respectfully Submitted,
Stephanie Lyons, OHA Board Secretary**