

## GRAHA Board Meeting 09/4/2023

### Meeting at Hotel Rapids

Attendees: Andy H., Wade C., Mitch K., Brad Hyduke, Jon Toivonen, Angie Baratto, Ryan Dekich, Brian Anderson, and Dan Mertes. Also present: Molly Casey, Grant Clifton, Jeremy Carlson, Dale Christy, Shawna Rude.

1. Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm.
2. Concessions Update: Several Board members have met with the Berg's on progress with site. The City of Grand Rapids (Dale) asked GRAHA to pay for updates at concession. However, GRAHA are renters, not owners. This will be addressed further.
3. Administrator Updates: Molly
  - Registration 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, and 20<sup>th</sup>. As of today, there are 202 registrants (half of last year). Molly has printouts ready to go. Will meet with Dale regarding raffle tickets.
  - Review of Background checks and SafeSport updates.
4. Scheduler Updates – Jeremy Carlson
  - 85 of 190 home games scheduled. Still have 117 slots open. District meeting in 2 weeks.
  - Jeremy recommends possible team managers (per level) to schedule in the future.
  - Jeremy will ask Dale how much time is needed for ice reimbursement in the event of a cancel.
  - Andy and Jeremy will talk to the City about getting ice ready by October 1<sup>st</sup> (would give us one extra week).
5. Gambling Update (Dale Christy)
  - July gambling tax return, September budget and August check register reviewed. **Motion to approve made by Brad, seconded by Jon, all approved.**
  - Approve amended June report: Miscoding on the report. **Motion to approve made by Andy, seconded by Ryan, all approved.**
  - Need to reimburse the gambling account and re-write donation check. Jon will let Anna know.
  - Discussion of additional support for gambling. Another meeting will occur with the sub-committee.
  - Some fire damage to pull tab reports from accident at Hoot n' Holler. Dale will discuss with them the owners more. GRAHA may be required by the State to reimburse.
6. Girls and Boys PDC
  - Wade: No updates
  - Brad: Review of goalie contract (\$5000). **Motion to approve made by Angie, seconded by Wade, all approved.**
  - Brad: Athlete in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade who already paid registration but will be moving to High School instead.
  - Coaches meeting will be held the first week of October (on Wednesday at 7pm).
7. Anna: not in attendance, but sent out July financials for review. Will table vote for approval until both July and August are ready.

8. Other:

-Grant Clifton: Discussion of dryland opportunities for 5-6 months. Rent 2x/week per travel team. Looking for donation of \$15,000 from GRAHA (but Grant will also re-approach owner). Possible concerns: scheduling, 10U/Squirt (18 teams) and above. Would need to enforce teams' participation. Will need something in writing as a proposal from Grant to the Board. Will need to look at participation from Blue Line and Lightning Boosters. Will cover use of building(s) from October through March.

-Shawna: Discussion of DIBS for the 2023-2024 season. Schedules coming soon. Shawna will need a list of whom has DIBS coverage.

-Review of outcome of the GR hockey golf tournament. No one has been paid despite agreement made before the tournament was held. **Motion to cut ties with the tournament director made by Jon, seconded by Brian, all approved.** GRAHA will discuss how to publicly announce this at next month's meeting.

-Bantam AA needs to add tournaments to make up for missed scheduling opportunities. **Andy made a motion to allow team manager to schedule additional, seconded by Brian, all approved.**

-Andy will bring old jerseys to Registration night to sell to Association.

9. Secretary's Report: August meeting minutes (taken by Ryan D.).

**-Motion to approve made by Jon, seconded by Angie, all approved.**

10. Sponsorship Updates (Ryan Dekich): Andy will get amounts from youth golf tournament. Toni not interested in leading next year.

-need a few team sponsorships yet but Ryan has some leads.

-Ryan looking at options for banner display of all sponsors.

-Ryan offered to do online auction for extra jerseys and GRAHA banners.

Adjourn at 7:50pm

Next meeting: October 2nd, 2023 at Hayslips