



CHISAGO LAKES AREA RECREATION ASSOCIATION Minutes of the June 18, 2025 Board Meeting

PRESENT:

Joe Bjelland, Nicole Larsen, Amanda Farrell, Cory Lindgren, Brian Marquardt, Alex Turk, Tony Walker, Jim West, Jay Brown, Pete Lawrence, Peter Leadholm, Mallory Holmen, Jonathan Wrolstad, Cindy Farrell, Sarah Yates, Holly Cardoni, Viktorija Richert, Amanda Oman, Nick Brehm

Board members present are indicated with an underline.

AGENDA

The agenda was adopted on a motion by Pete Lawrence. Second by Pete Leadholm. Motion passes.

GUESTS

Deanna Pederson - would like to be added to the board as Co-Director of soccer with Jonathan. Currently the girls director for the hockey association, got done coaching 8U girls softball, has coached softball, baseball, soccer. Has 5 kids in various activities and is very involved in the community. Motion to approve adding Deanna to the board by Jonathan. Second by Viktorija. Motion passes.

REVIEW OF MEETING MINUTES

-May Minutes were approved on a motion by Nicole. Second by Pete Leadholm. Motion passes.

TREASURER'S REPORT (as of May 31st, 2025)

- Checking Balance: \$82,517.66
- Savings Balance: \$110,355.00
- Cash on hand: \$0
- CD Balance: \$176,601.92
- May Profit: \$14,643.18
- Fiscal Year P/L: \$45,702.84
- Credit Card Balance: (\$278.52)

Added a new line item in the ledger for the concession stand.

Reminder to directors that when you set up new registration events or individual invoices through SportsEngine, be sure to include the name of the sport in the description to help with recording purposes.

Next round of CDs will be purchased in June, which will have all of our CDs maturing on a quarterly cycle.

The Treasurer's Report was approved on a motion by Viktorija. Second by Amanda. Motion passes.

GAMBLING MANAGER'S REPORT (as of May 31st, 2025)

- Account balance: \$11,251.08
- Cash on Hand: \$5,221.75
- Total Funds Available: \$16,472.83
- May Profit: \$5,781.49
- YTD Loss: (\$31.39)

Lakes Area Recreation Association



EFTs-\$19,569.27

- \$3,179.77 Three Diamond
- \$3,645.41 Diamond Games
- \$7,897.00 MN Revenue April Gaming Tax
- \$4,847.09 Intuit Payroll

-Etabs/Linked Bingo still down 41% compared to last year (Northern Only)

-Pulltabs are down 2% compared to last year (Northern Only)

-Mid-June will be one year since we started at Ozark.

-We did not host the Cash Bingo Extravaganza on 6/7 due to only 16 pre-registrations. Likely competing with graduation parties. Next big event is in August in partnership with the Invisible Wounds Project.

-Meat Raffles have died down. Right now the bar is doing them since the PTO is not available for summer. Have reached out to a couple other organizations to take over for PTO, but no interest. We have switched to gift cards for the summer to avoid meat spoilage.

-Bar Bingo - Progressive was hit on May 9 and June 10. On June 12th, I changed the program to start at 55 call balls instead of 51, but now the Progressive Starts at \$700 and goes up \$100 per session versus always being \$1,199. We are usually only covering payroll up through 51, so the hopes are this will keep the crowds going through the summer, but also reduce our risk if the call ball gets hit before 60. 6/12 was a lower turnout, but we had a good turnout 6/17.

-Pulltab software will be in place at the sites beginning July 1, 2025

Allowable Expenses

Estimated allowable expenses in the amount up to \$18,000 was approved on a motion by Amanda. Second by Nicole. Motion passes.

Lawful Purpose

Lawful Purpose \$9,148

Est MN Tax Pmt - \$9,148

Lawful purpose in the amount of \$9,148 was approved on a motion by Nicole. Second by Pete Lawrence. Motion passes.

The Gambling Manager's Report was approved on a motion by Nicole. Second by Jay. Motion passes.

BASKETBALL

-Registrations open in the next couple of weeks

-Potential to revamp the rec program. Pete and Amanda will try to establish a subcommittee to figure out what that looks like.

-Traveling tryouts will be the first 2 Sundays in August on 8/3 and 8/10.

-Amanda presented the basketball budget to the board. Motion to approve the basketball budget by Pete Lawrence. Second by Viktoria. Motion passes.

SOCCER

-Registrations are closed. We have about 52 teams, still looking for around 5-6 coaches.

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-Adding co-director Deanna Pederson
-In the past, the busiest night was around 210 kids, but was able to cut down to about 150 kids by switching to 4 nights a week to help with parking.

REC VOLLEYBALL

-Working with Hannah on getting dates set for upcoming season, gym space to be confirmed with Comm Ed.

TRAVELING VOLLEYBALL

-No Update

FLAG FOOTBALL

-Registration opens up in June. Season starts the week after Labor Day and ends the week before MEA. Will have 2 games on the turf field again later in the year.

Motion to approve the Flag Football budget by Amanda. Second by Pete Leadholm. Motion approves

TACKLE FOOTBALL (7th & 8th Grade)

-Storage unit was delivered. Waiting to paint it until the weather permits. Will add shelving. All equipment is in.

-Registration has been open.

BOYS LACROSSE

-Has some unforeseen expenses. Hockey arena is charging a minimum fee for field usage now. May need to revisit whether or not we use them in the future.

-Spring season is over, successful season

-U8s and U10s have summer season left to go

GIRLS LACROSSE

-All teams are underway.

-Victoria presented the girls lacrosse budget. Motion to approve by Pete Lawrence. Second by Nicole. Motion passes.

TRAVELING SOFTBALL

-No Update

REC SOFTBALL

-Season is underway.

-Wondering about the potential for moving the older ages to Fall Ball to see if there is more interest.

Groovies is 5th/6th

Lionettes are 7th/8th/9th

In order to play games, they combine the leagues and play North Branch and Stacy.

There is a potential that we do not offer Lionettes in the future.

Number of girls playing T-Ball is up, so that could change things.

TRAVELING BASEBALL

-Season is going well. Entering the last month of the season. Playoffs upcoming.

-Ran into some field issues but everything was sorted out.

-Ordered another pallet of chalk.

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REC BASEBALL

- 507 total registrants
- Numbers are down this year compared to years past, specifically 6th and 7th grade numbers
- Combining league play with other towns has been going well.

COMMUNITY ED

- No update

WEBSITE

- No Update

NEW BUSINESS

- Joe Tart at K-Chi Saga sent us a contract asking for 30% of our proceeds. Discussion was had regarding whether we wanted to agree to the contract. Pete Leadholm said he would formulate a response and send it to the board for approval.

OLD BUSINESS

- Mallory would like to purchase candy for the Karl Oskar Days Parade again this year. Motion to approve \$2,000 of candy for the parade by Nicole. Second by Pete Lawrence. Motion passes.

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday July 16, 2025 at 7pm in the WCC Community Room.

ADJOURNMENT

The June meeting was adjourned at 8:03pm on a motion by Viktoria. Second by Nicole. Motion passes.