

**Duluth Amateur Hockey Association  
Board Meeting Agenda  
Sunday, November 19, 2023  
Heritage Center's Boys and Girls Club Conference Room @ 7:00 p.m.**

**Board members:** Ethan Ault, Kevin Chick, Cory Goldsworthy, Casey Kudler, Bill Whiteside, Matt Mathias, Rolf Flaig

**Board Members absent:**

**Sub Association Representatives:** Kelly Lapinski (Denfeld), Blaine Hunter (East), David Moline (Portman), Nate Webber (Duluth Heights), , Justin Finke,

**Sub Association Representatives absent:** Sonny Bedogne, Ryan Sandefer, Jacob Kaliszewski, Bryan Bjorkaas, Jacquelyn Messer, Lynden Medlin

**DAHA Staff:** Bob Nygaard, Don Olson, Clare Markley  
**Staff absent:**

Time start : 7:10pm

**Secretary's Report: Kevin Chick**

- Motion for additions or changes to current agenda
  - Motion to approve Ethan Ault
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Blaine Hunter
  - Unanimously Approved
- Approval of October Minutes
  - Motion to approve: Ethan Ault
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Kelly Lapinski
  - Unanimously approved

**Treasurer's & Finance Committee's Report: Bill Whiteside**

- Financial Update
  - Finances looking good with revenue coming in from registration
  - Looking at options for investing DAHA's reserve funds

**President's Report: Ryan Sandefer**

- ADHOC Committee formation
- Congdon Olympia to Fryberger

**Executive Director's Report: Bob Nygaard**

- Outdoor rink lease agreement
- City Youth Athletic Taskforce
  - First meeting is 12/17/2023
  - Will have more updates after the first meeting
- Association registration Reimbursement
- Junior Gold u16 coach
- Learn to skate
  - Wrapped up in November
  - The association actually made money on the learn to skate program this year
- Raffle tickets
  - All tickets have been given out except for the tickets for the rinks
- USA Hockey ADM director coming to Duluth
- Job review
  - Performance review has been requested by the Executive Director

- Kevin Chick will write up a performance review outline and send it to the Executive Committee
- Executive Committee will meet and deliver a performance review for the Executive Director

#### **Players and Coaches Development Committee: Don Olson**

- Evaluations have been completed
- Still waiting on evaluating a couple of injured players
- Don Olson, Director of Player Development is planning on stepping down after all evaluations have been completed.
- PCDC will elect a new chair once Don steps down

#### **Facilities Committee: Cory Goldsworthy**

- Met with American Arena to discuss options of building a new facility in Duluth.
- American Arena is willing to do a study in Duluth that would take at least 2 days and cost \$10,000 - \$20,000

#### **Rink Association Committee Report: Jacquelyn Messer**

- No report

#### **Rules & Grievance Committee Report: Jacob Kaliszewski**

- No Report

#### **DAHA Office Update: Clare**

- Scheduling Update
- Financial Aid Reimbursement

#### **New Business**

- Justin Finke brought up an issue regarding communication between the Squirt working group and the parents. He stated the Squirt working group gave false information to the parents regarding playing levels. It was argued that the miscommunication was an honest mistake and no further action needs to be taken. It was determined no further action was needed to be taken about the miscommunication because it was an honest mistake by a volunteer parent.

End Time: 8:45pm

#### **Next meeting:**

- Sunday December 17, 2023 at 7pm