



**Apple Valley Hockey Association
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
March 11, 2015**



Meeting called to order at 7:04p.m. By President Syverson.

Board Members Present (*non-voting member):

Jay Syverson, Dan Bauer, LaChel Hird, Randy Olson, Derrick Lindstrom, Stacey Hand, Jason Kochanowski, Eric Martinson, Gregg Christy, Chris Slater, Ben Dugan, Dustin Furlong, Tony Cobb, Bill Messerich, Don Bilotta

Board Members Absent (*non-voting member):

Open Microphone: --

Minutes Approved- motion to approve Randy Olson, seconded by Gregg Christy; Approved.

Treasurer's Report: Bauer

- Revenue ahead of budgeted for year; fund raising, tournament, gambling revenue ahead of expected
- Mite ice in the process of being finalized as well
- Motion to accept the Treasurer report by Derrick Lindstrom, Second by Tony Cobb; Approved

Ice Rebate: Bauer

- Board discussed on the ice rebate for the 2014-2015 AVHA season
- Based on financials for the year, the rebate amount per player is set at \$350
- All registered AVHA traveling players will be eligible for the rebate provided their family volunteer hours expectation have been met
- People without any volunteer hours are not eligible for the ice rebate
- All accounts must be paid in full by May 1st or the ice rebate will be revoked
- Motion to approve an ice rebate of \$350 per traveling player to be credited to their ice bill made by Justin Furlong, Second by Jason Kochanowski. Approved

Gambling Report: Randy Olson

- February gambling –\$30,000 check for gambling proceeds.
- Play has picked up since the beginning of the year; Bingo strong in both locations
- Motion to approve the January gambling report by Gregg Christy, Second by Jeremy Pries; Approved.
- Motion to approve \$65,000 operating expenses for gambling by Tony Cobb, Second by LaChel Hird; Approved
- Motion to accept check for March proceeds up to \$80,000 by Jason Kochanowski, second by Tony Cobb; Approved
- Motion to approve payment or \$900 license fees to the State of MN (Rascals, Wild Bills, Nina's \$150 each; organization license fee \$350; License for gambling manager \$100) by Tony Cobb, Second by Derrick Lindstrom; Approved

- Randy Olson asked that we provide compensation increases for gambling operation employees. \$.50 per hour raise for three gambling operation employees; \$1.00 for two gambling operation employees.
- Motion to approve five raises for gambling operation employees made by Eric Martinson, Second by Jason Kochanowski; Approved
- Randy Olson asked that we provide up to \$12,000 in bonus/incentive compensation for gambling operation employees. Strong operations and our gambling operation employees are an important part of our success.
- Motion to approve up to \$12,000 in bonus/incentive compensation for gambling operation employees made by Dan Bauer, Second by Tony Cobb; Approved
- Randy Olson would like to have the board approve up to \$6000 for construction of a gambling booth for a fourth location for AVHA gambling
- Motion to approve up to \$6000 for construction of a gambling booth for the Panino Brothers location made by Justin Furlong, Second by Tony Cobb; Approved

Board Candidate Approval - Syverson

- Motion to approve the 2015 AVHA Election results by Bill Messerich, Second by Eric Martinson; Approved

HDC - Slater

- No report

D8 – Bilotta

- No report

Goalie Stipend – Lindstrom

- As the Girls program committee is considering options for the girls program, a family brought the idea to the committee about how to encourage more players to get interested in playing Goalie. There are many associations who provide rebates to goalies to incent participation in the Goalie programs with the goal to increase the number of goalies in our association (reduced registration, ice bills, etc.)
- Currently, all AVHA U12/PW Goalie or above receives a \$500 equipment subsidy
- Would need to consider how we might structure a program; what we would do regarding equipment.
- Derrick to draft a proposal and share at the April Board Meeting

Mites Program - Pries

- Event with Eastview went well; worked out well for our younger mite players to have an opportunity to see other associations
- Learn to Skate Program – not a community ed program for this year; 6 hrs (Aug-Oct, Sun p.m. 2 hrs/ea session; \$160/hour; agreement with Eastview to run the program together)
- Currently considering options for promoting Learn to Skate this year; looking for Mite eligible kids who are Pre-K or elementary age kids
- Feedback on the Mite program was very good; organized and worked very well this year. Mites plus went very well this season; good coaches on the ice.

AVHA Survey - Hird

- Please review the questions on the draft 2014 survey; provide any edits/changes to LaChel by Saturday, March 14th.
- Plan is to distribute the survey by Sunday, March 15th with the plan to review the survey results at the April 8th meeting

Girls program update – Lindstrom

- Idea is to partner with an association for long term option
- Currently speaking with multiple associations to understand their numbers picture, potential for a long term sponsorship and how we can best provide an opportunity for girls to play hockey and develop at the right level

Training Center update – Cobb/Messerich

- Gathering ideas for next year; plan is to present some recommendations at budget time
- Currently looking at options for lease renewal; tentative plan to discuss at upcoming meeting

Level Updates

- Summary of the year updates by level at the April board meeting
- Bantams – no update;
- Squirts Update
- PeeWee – PWB1, no update
- 10B's have an opportunity to play in Districts;

Election of AVHA Board Executive Committee

President –

Motion to nominate Jay Syverson for President by Derrick Lindstrom, Second by Eric Martinson; Approved

Vice President

Motion to nominate Jeremy Pries for Vice President by Jay Syverson, Second by Randy Olson; Approved

Secretary

Motion to nominate LaChel Hird for Secretary by Bill Messerich, Second by Randy Olson; Approved

Treasurer

Motion to nominate Dan Bauer by Eric Martinson, Second by Don Bilotta; Approved

Meeting Adjourned: Motion to adjourn by Tony Cobb, seconded by Ben Dugan; Approved.

Next meeting Wednesday, April 8th, 2014 at 7 p.m. Respectfully submitted by LaChel Hird