



**Apple Valley Hockey Association  
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
October 14, 2015**



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

**Board Members Present (\*non-voting member):**

Bill Messerich, Erin Benolkin, Eric Robb, Justin Furlong, Dan Bauer, Jay Syverson, Randy Olson, Don Bilotta, Derrick Lindstrom, LaChel Hird, Gregg Christy, Chris Slater, Crystal Kapps\*

**Board Members Absent (\*non-voting member):**

Jason Kochanowski, Jeremy Pries, Eric Martinson, Stacey Hand

**Open Microphone: --Messerich**

- No open Mic

**Minutes Approved: --Syverson**

- Motion to approve September 23rd, 2015 meeting minutes by Bill Messerich; seconded by Gregg Christy; Approved.

**Treasurer's Report: -- Bauer**

- Starting off the year well; transactions for the season have started
- First autopay occurs October 31st
- Motion to approve September 2015 Treasurers Report by Bill Messerich; seconded by Gregg Christy; Approved.

**Scholarship Update-Bauer**

- Smaller number of requests for financial support in 2015
- Report submitted for approval

**Audit Committee – Christy**

- Tentatively scheduled for November 7th
- Expect report in November 2015

**Gambling Report: -- Olson**

- Panino's up and running as an AVHA site; Thursday nite Bingo is new
- LaFonda's up and running since September; Bingo also at their location
- Presented a check for \$40,000 for September; Motion to approve
- Motion to approve Gambling report by Eric Robb, Seconded by Don Bilotta. Approved
- Motion to accept up to \$50,000 in gambling proceeds for October made by Bill Messerich, Seconded by Derrick Lindstrom; Approved
- Motion to approve up to \$60,000 for Gambling Operation Expenses made by Justin Furlong; Seconded by Dan Bauer. Approved

**Registrar Update: -- Bilotta**

- 140 Current Traveling Registrations
- Need Head coaches and assistant coaches for all teams (PeeWees, Bantams, Squirrels, 10's, 12's)

**D8 Update: --Bilotta**

- No D8 meeting since September meeting
- Coaches background checks – send the 'cleared' email to Don Bilotta's attention

**AVWH Program donation - Bauer**

- Motion made to contribute \$375 for an ad in the Apple Valley Women's Hockey Program by Justin Furlong; Seconded by Randy Olson. Approved

### **Tryout Updates - Slater**

- Tryouts are done; Overall good feedback
- Would like to recognize Tom Erickson for how well the boys tryouts were run; good development for the skaters and a fair process overall
- Next year ideas: Paid admission for tryout Scrimmages and advertising coupons for parents to patronize local businesses during tryout sessions

### **Equipment Manager - Syverson**

- Had Equipment Manager role in the past and have accumulated quite a bit of equipment; haven't had a formal position for a period of time.
- Plan is to create an inventory of everything that AVHA owns.
- Justin Furlong will take on the role of Equipment Manager (pucks, storage, goalie equipment, etc.)

### **Recruiting & Retention – Syverson**

- Mite registration – 28 new, 68 returning Mites; some pending request with waivers
- Mailers went out to 1500 homes within the AV attendance area; Friday folders to Cedar Park, Westview and Echo Park
- Registration on Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup> from 10-1
- Will look at marketing for 2016
- Would like to thank the Graphic Artist for the significant amount of work she completed on our behalf. Motion to approve \$300 Visa Gift Card for the Graphic Artist who designed the R&R materials made by Don Bilotta; Second by Justin Furlong. Approved

### **HDC – Slater**

- PDCs are off and running –
- Make changes to redirect PW emails to Bill Messerich via email distribution

### **Level Updates**

#### **Girls: -- JJ Ryan**

- Tryouts complete; Moved 2 Players to Eastview for 12B
- Sorting through a few more details on the 10A team coop with Burnsville

#### **Squirts: --Robb**

- Tryouts complete
- All teams off and running
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#### **PeeWee: --Eric Wan**

- Nothing to report

#### **Bantams: --Martinson**

- Nothing to report

#### **Action/Next Steps: --Syverson**

- Nothing to report

### **Jerseys for AVHA 12B Players -**

- Motion to pay for two sets of Eastview Jerseys for the AVHA 12B players for the 2015-2016 season made by Chris Slater; second by Randy Olson; Approved

### **Girls Hockey Weekend –**

- October 9<sup>th</sup> - 28 AVHA players participated in the Feed My Starving Children packing event
- October 10<sup>th</sup> - AVHA players/parents watched the UMN Women Gopher's beat St. Cloud State 11-0
- October 11<sup>th</sup> - AVHA Mites beat the AVWH Varsity team 5-4

**Meeting Adjourned:** Motion to adjourn by Bill Messerich, seconded by Don Bilotta; Approved.

Next meeting Wednesday, November 11, 2015 7:00 p.m. @ Apple Valley Community Center.  
Respectfully submitted by LaChel Hird