

Ice Wolves Meeting of the Board of Directors Minutes

Sunday January 28, 2024

Board Meeting at 6:30pm via Rink & Zoom

Call to Order – Bill Lydic, President at 6:32pm

Roll Call / Secretary Report – Katie Batton

- Board Members in Attendance: Bill, Chris L, AmyBeth, Katie, Abbi, Chris R, Christina, Mitch, Stephany, Stephanie, Allison, Tyler, Laura, Darci, Jarret, Kyle. Absent:
- MOTION to approve December Board Meeting Minutes: Motion by Christina. Seconded by Kyle. All in Favor

Non-Board/Association Member Comments (please limit comments to no longer than 2 minutes):

President's Report – Bill Lydic

- Region 4 Updates- No January meeting. Discussion of December meeting discussed play-downs.
- WAHA- Had to send a grievance to them regarding a team that we had complaints with. They were receptive, but no action was taken on their end.
 - Apology to Viroqua Association- U12 kicked a player. Waha indicated they would automatically suspend a player for the year. If footage of this was sent. It was not at this time. The coaches and player, parents consulted. This player was suspended 3 games)
- Association day- February 4th will need to be cancelled. The ice is not good, it's watery and not going to freeze. Back up plan is to have a party at the rink. Kids can sled, skate around.
- Association Banquet- Dodger Bowl April 7th
 - There are many kids in the Battle of the Dells this year on April 7th, so discussing of moving the time to 4:00pm. Laura will reach out to see if this is a possibility.
 - Ideas of having "Moment of the Year, Coach of the Year, Parent of the Year, Volunteer of the Year" more to discuss later.

Vice President's Report – Kyle Levetzow

- Major Fundraiser to raise \$100,000- Ideas have 50 businesses donate \$10,000
 - Discussed need new floor
- Old Boards- what should we do with them? Sell them? Auction them? Mitch took some pictures and Kyle will advertise.
- Storage of new boards/glass- The glass will be a challenge because of the tempered glass.
- What are the major budget items for next season- Chiller needs a new pump. Will start getting quotes.
- Nets- Kyle & Chris L have been working on getting quotes for 2 full size goals, mini nets, shooter tutors, glass. Rink Systems- \$6,000ish

Financial Report –Allison Batton

MOTION to approve finance report for the months of December 2023 -Chris L and Abbi seconded. All in Favor

- Dodgeville Chamber of Commerce-
- Balance sheets from Heartland- will need signatures from president &/or vice-president
- 1099- Sent out to Refs
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Marketing –Christina Weitzel

- Nothing major new- thanks for helping with all the posts (Abbi, Steph, Amy Beth)
- Dodgeville Chamber 2024 Visitor Guide- Christina sent pictures of the rink
- Capital Campaign

Party/Fundraising Coordinator- Stephany Marten

- Kiwanis Club Presentation- They are wondering if Ice Wolves would do a presentation on the program, open skates, etc Kyle and Christina can speak on March 12th on behalf of the board.
- 501 Connect- Networking with others in the community
- Parties- 3 during open skate and 3 private rentals. March 10th is the next private rental for 1.5 hours for \$200

Other Fundraising-

- Big Kahuna- Katie These were distributed. Have both squirts team back. Need 8U, 6U, 12U, 14U, HS back yet. Thus far, 4 books have been sold by 2 families. They are in the lead for most books sold.
 - Discussion of utilizing funding from raffle toward Adult Walkers, Dividers for 8U &6U Games, Handicapped Ramp, Girls Locker Room

Director of Hockey – Tyler Marklein

- Shane Connely-Capitals Goalie Coach is coming back Monday night 1/29. Will look at having him back a few more times in February/March.

Ice Scheduling – Darcy Hessling

- No major ice schedule updates this month.

Rink – Chris Rusch

- Rink Updates- 6 weeks to tear down. Kyle mentioned the chiller pump, motor, flow switch need to be replaced. We have figured out the chiller and how the weather affects it. Finally getting things figured out.
- Water Heater- Need new one in the Zam room. City said it is our responsibility. Estimated \$8,000 cost. Trainor LLC gave 3 quotes
- Old Boards/New Boards- Need to figure out how we will store them. The issue is the glass and where to store, the weight, flat bed trailer. Rink Committee will work on a plan for this.
- Learn to Play Updates- Going well. Need to keep having 3-4 coaches there. Please volunteer when you are able. 40 kids registered.

Registrar – Abbi Trainor

- LTP make up date- March 2nd
- Registrations- ended with 132 players (prior 109)
- Invoices- sent out for all the player switches from LTP to U6, U8, U10
- Funding from Squad Locker will be deposited (\$866 and 645)
- USA Hockey- All players and referee under 18 will be required to wear neck guards

Team Rep Update – Laura Anderson/Andie Benish

- No major updates. Received a “kudos” from a parent on Team Rep.

Officials Manager -Stephanie Pasker/ Andie Benish

- No major updates. Discussed we had 3 refs due to training new refs, but there were some games that did not have new refs, but still had 3 refs. Still paying 2 man ref fee. Stephanie will look at schedule as don't need 3 refs for games.
- Chris will do some mentoring with new refs next season. Discussed trying to encourage refs to catch the assist

Concessions Manager- AmyBeth Levetzow

- Open skates- 145 is the average # at open skate, up from 79 from last season. Last weekend, had 267 skaters. Ice Wolves parents stepped in that were not signed up to work. Thank you!
- Concessions- Kids can no longer assist or be back there with parents. Minimum age is going to be 12 years old moving forward.
- Laces & mouth guards- need to order more for concessions Chris will order laces and AmyBeth will get more mouth guards.

Equipment Manager – Chris Larson

- Try Hockey for Free- 2nd session went well.
- Rental Skates- Need to have skate sharpeners start sharpening rental skates.
- Equipment Fittings- 54 equipment fittings this season.
- Janesville Club- reached out if we wanted equipment. Chris went down and took some items valued about \$2,000
- Goalie plan/equipment for next season- Discussed possibly having a voucher toward equipment next season for families that purchase their own. Another idea was having ½ off registration for next season.
- Rental skates- Chris will reach out to Gold Medal Sports to purchase a dozen more pairs.

Tournament Director– Jarret Hesseling

- High School Team- Successful tournament. Kyle arranged to have a storage unit as girls locker room. Thank you! Marinette complaint- “Great Tournament” One minor complaint- During Iowa City vs Marinette the ref didn't know who actually executed the major. The refs asked the team to pick a player. Marinette was upset by this as the person that actually had the penalty didn't sit.
- PeeWee- still collecting rosters. Ordering trophies this week. No t-shirt vendor.
- Squirt- tshirt vendor lined up (UTP) 6 Teams in B Bracket, 5 Teams in C Bracket
- Girls Locker Room- Hennessey Implement is donating a storage locker unit the rest of the season for tournaments.

Web Design – Mitch Morey

- Game Sheet Update- This is going successful. Most parent feedback has been well liked.
- Digital Scoreboard to LiveBarn- Going to talk to Live Barn to include the score on the bottom while watching.
- Summer shot challenge t-shirts- working with 608 to order those. There are 5 total that completed the challenge.

Committee Updates

Long Range Rink Committee (Kyle & Chris R)- (see above)

Future Action Items for 2023/2024-2024-2025 Season .

- Additional Locker Rooms
- Trophy Case- Need to figure out how to get these displayed.
- In ground coils
- WIAA Committee

Next Meeting – February 25, 2024 at 6:30 PM

Adjourn made by Kyle. Seconded by Steph.