

GRAHA Board Meeting 11/6/2023

Meeting at IRA Civic Center

Attendees: Andy H., Mitch K., Brad Hyduke, Jon Toivonen, Angie Baratto, Ryan Dekich, Anna Hussman, Brian Anderson, and Dan Mertes. Also present: Molly Casey, Jeremy Carlson, Shawna Rude, Molly Casey, and the Berg's.

1. Meeting called to order at 6:02 pm.
2. Scheduler Updates – Jeremy Carlson
 - Schedule is done up until Christmas and some just after Christmas.
 - We may need to look for more indoor ice due to more teams this year.

Dryland Training by Jeremy (on behalf of Grant Clifton): plans to do off-ice training with teams. Plans to start this Thursday with meeting with coaches. If teams are doing alternative dryland, parents will need to pay for this – no GRAHA reimbursement.

3. Concessions Update: Concessions open! Had a lot of cleaning to do following construction. Ordered some new needed supplies. There will be a high number of shifts needed coverage in January due to weekend HS games and several tournaments.

-Review of goalie sets needed – some questions were brought to Josh's attention. Need an additional \$480 for gloves and blockers at Clifton's. We need a better check in process as kids MUST return these goalie items at the end of the season. **Motion to approve \$480 made by Anna, seconded by Mitch, all approved.**

4. Girls and Boys PDC
 - Grant: Not in attendance tonight.
 - Boys' movement request discussion is tabled.
 - Bantam that has never played hockey in the past. Safety concern due to checking. Discussion of moving down to Peewees for safety concerns. **Motion to do so made by Anna, seconded by Angie, all approved.** Jon will discuss with Mark Stupar and Peewee B2 coach.
 - Brad: Reimbursement request from a family on the girls' side. The child did NOT get to the tryout portion. Reimbursement can only be for any unsold raffle tickets. **Motion to approve reimbursement made by Anna, seconded by Brian, all approved.**
 - Coaching change request. PDC is recommending change in 10U coaching based on necessity of coach stepping down. **Motion made by Ryan, seconded by Andy, all approved.**
 - Motion to move child from 8U to 10U. Motion made by Anna, seconded by Dan, all approved.
 - Discussion to move child (goalie) from 12U down to 10U. Already approved at the District level. **Motion to do so by Andy, seconded by Ryan, all approved.**

5. Secretary's Report: October meeting minutes (taken by Ryan D.).
-Motion to approve made by Anna, seconded by Jon, all approved.
6. Financial Report (Anna): Discussion of Auditor's report regarding gambling proceeds. Karen Lind is working with the State to remedy this.

-Review of hiring an assistant gambling manager in order to allow for more checks and balances and to increase gambling sites/build those relationships. Sub-committee to get information out for the Assistant Manager position. **Motion made by Brian, seconded by Mitch, all approved.**

Motion to approve October financials made by Mitch, seconded by Brian, all approved.

7. Gambling Update (Dale Christy not in attendance – Ryan filled in)
- October gambling tax return, November budget and September check register reviewed. **Motion to approve made by Andy, seconded by Jon, all approved.**
-Hayslips requesting \$1500 for Bigfork PTA and Riley's \$1000 for Annual Youth Day for Deer River Sportsman. **Motion made by Brian, seconded by Mitch, all approved.**

8. Other:

- a. Denny Gibbons (referee scheduler) came with some questions. Referee gets reimbursed for USA Hockey registration and background checks. Pre-requisite is to referee one game before reimbursement. Referees to be paid twice per month, every other Friday. Denny will cc: Molly Casey with the referee schedules in the event there is a no-show.
- b. Discussion of concerns regarding a specific referee.

10. Sponsorship Updates (Ryan Dekich): Jerseys are done. Invoices will go out this week. Ryan looked into the cost of banners to honor sponsors for both the girls and boys' sides. Ryan will get some quotes from Rapids Printing. **Motion to approve up to \$1200 made by Anna, seconded by Brian, all approved.**

-brainstorming additional fundraising opportunities now that we will no longer be doing the golf and walleye tournaments.

11. Administrator Updates (Molly):

- 10UA tournament discussion.
- LiveBarn not up and running yet. The City is in a contract for 3 more years.
- Discussion of memorial support. Motion to make a donation in the amount of \$500 to the Memorial funds of both Katie Johnson and Adam Johnson made by Anna, seconded by Dan, all approved.

12. Discussion of first aid kits and neck guards. Paul Clifton has these in stock.

Adjourn at 7:51 pm

Next meeting: December 4th at the Arena