

**RYHA BOARD MEMBER MEETING MINUTES**  
**October 13th, 2021**  
**Centerstone Plaza Hotel**

**ATTENDING BOARD MEMBERS:**

Andy Cousin – President	Tom Graham – Past President		Shawn Hookey – Secretary	Greg Anderson – Treasurer
Aaron Getchell – Mite Unit Representative	Mark Hickey – Gambling Manager	Andrew Forliti – Gambling Director	Robb Wiedrich – Boys Unit Coordinator	Kasey Cummings – Girls Unit Director
Lorne Hedin, – MN Hockey Representative	Doug Zmolek – Hockey Advisory	Tim Gerlesberger - Operations Director	Rob Cothorn – Tournament Director	

**NON-ATTENDING BOARD MEMBERS:**

Tom Stewart – Presi- dent Elect			
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**RYHA MEMBER AND NON-MEMBERS ATTENDEE:**

Patrick Murphy	Ryan Yetzer	Kathy Heightland		

Attendance and verbal approval to be recorded via Zoom online meeting was given by those members and non-member attending via virtual online Zoom meeting.

**RESOLUTIONS BY THE BOARD**

PRESIDENT’S REPORT Andy Cousin – Tom Graham – Tom Stewart

Mr. Graham spoke on how waivers of players in or out of RYHA should be handled. Extensive discussion was had in review of any player wanting to waiver into RYHA per Operating Procedures is that the player must make the top AA/A team at that level. Mr. Cousin requested a motion be made to assist in the referee efforts to mentor young referees, increase the pay and to increase punishment for abuse of officials.

Motion was made by Mr. Graham, second motion by Mr. Cummings, an unanimous approval by the board was had. Mr. Cousin also discussed the District 9 COVID guidance that is upcoming for the season. Currently there is no advisement from MN or USA Hockey. The city of Rochester has sent their guidances to the RYHA board. Communication on this will be sent to coaches and managers, this will also be discussed at the coaches/managers meetings.

#### SECRETARY'S REPORT – Shawn Hookey

September minutes were approved.

Mr. Hookey noted the Treasurer position is currently vacant. Social Media posts and communication to the membership via email was discussed to inform the membership of this opening. Mr. Patrick Murphy was in attendance to the meeting to discuss his interest in this position. Mr. Hookey requested a motion to appoint Mr. Murphy to the Treasurer position. Motion was made by Mr. Cousin, a second motion was made by Mr. Gerlesberger, an unanimous approval by the board was had.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT & FINANCE COMMITTEE – Greg Anderson

October Treasurer's report was approved.

Mr. Anderson made note that the current finances are currently in line with the budget. Mr. Anderson noted that a rink fee increase will be coming in the future, this will be adjusted in the budget.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### GAMBLING COMMITTEE – Mark Hickey – Andrew Forliti

Gambling for August 2021 activity summary, tax return, allowable expenses, November 2021 budgets were presented and approved. Mr. Hickey states RYHA in good standings. RYHA showed another strong month of gambling. The Graham 4 bond was reviewed, discussion on paying this off early was reviewed. After a board discussion it was approved to pay off the bond in January 2022.

#### OPERATIONS UNIT – Tim Gerlesberger

Mr. Gerlesberger noted that jerseys are being distributed to teams. Dark jerseys are still on order and should be arriving to be completed and distributed in the coming weeks.

#### MAHA – Lorne Hedin

Mr. Hedin reviewed the states use of a new scoring application, Gamesheets, to be used throughout the state. iPads are required to use this application. A motion was requested for the purchase of the iPads. A unanimous agreement was had by the board. 10 iPads will be ordered for RYHA's use at both facilities, 2 per rink. A secured storage area and charging station will be installed. Mr. Cothorn will be the liaison for the use and operation of Gamesheet. Training videos are located on the RYHA Resources page.

WEB-MASTER - Jeremy McJunkin

Absent

#### BOYS UNIT – Robb Wiedrich

Mr. Wiedrich reviewed the Chipotle fundraiser final numbers as well as the current registration numbers for this season. Mr. Wiedrich requested a motion for the purchase of additional training aides, Mr. Zmolek made the motion, Mr. Cousin seconded the motion, unanimous agreement was had. Mr. Wiedrich reviewed an error in the PW A teams schedule regarding not being entered in the Big Pumpkin tournament. Mr. Wiedrich requested a motion to have RYHA cover an additional tournament for this team due to the schedule error. Motion by Mr. Zmolek was made, Mr. Cothorn made a second motion, 12 yay's, 1 nay, 1 abstained, motion was approved.

GIRLS UNIT- Kasey Cummings

MITES/SUPERMITES REPRESENTATIVE – Aaron Getchell

Mr. Getchell noted that the Termites had their OMC kick off, it went well, Scheels came to the event as well. Mr. Getchell noted that registration numbers are good.

HOCKEY ADVISORY - Doug Zmolek

Mr. Zmolek states tryouts went good, the season is starting off well. There are low numbers on goalies especially at the bantam level currently. District 9 is allowing a package of PeeWee A and B goalies to fill spots for bantam teams. Mr. Zmolek also states that the goalie numbers at squirts are low.

RECRUITMENT - John Potter

Mr. Wiedrich noted that the recent Try Hockey for Free event had 27 skaters register, the next event will be November 7th. The program is looking for youth sized gear.

TOURNAMENTS – Rob Cothorn

Mr. Cothorn shared that most tournaments are full, a Bantam tournament was cancelled. Mr. Cothorn requested approve to sell a goalie training aide that is underutilized within RYHA. There is an interested individual that is willing to purchase this piece of equipment. The funds for the purchase will go back to RYHA.

BOOSTERS –

Vacant

Mr. Murphy reviewed his commitment to the Boosters Director position. He is already working on this season and future season needs. Of note, an online only apparels order will be open soon, the deadline for ordering is November 10th.

BUILDING COMMITTEE - Mark Hickey

Mr. Hickey requested a motion to approve the purchase of rink training aids, specifically new dry erase boards in Graham 3. Motion by Mr. Cousin, second motion by Mr. Getchell, an unanimous approval was had.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

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