

## **Sheboygan Lakers Blue Line Association**

### **Meeting Minutes**

12/13/2023

Present: Tom Cagle, Jen Cardarelle, Salena Russell, Brian Allen, Josh Holte, Kasey Schroeder, Erin Lindow, Nathan Taylor, Paul Avery, John Taber, Kathy Scott, Avery & Sam Schroeder

Absent: Tammy Dehne, Jared Roe

Meeting was called to order at 6:30pm

Previous meeting minutes approved via email and posted to SBLA website.

Treasurers report not sent out due to timing issues. Report will be sent out after the meeting and any concerns can be addressed.

### **RINK MANAGER**

- Received quote to move forward with the bathroom partition replacement. \$10,908 is quote. This was already accounted for in this year's budget so we do not need to vote on it. Discussed timing. Agreed to do it after Ice Bowling and during the week. Will take approx. 3 days to finish work and we will not have access to the bathrooms during that timeframe.

### **OFFICE MANAGER**

- Beer sales at the tournament were good. This was the first time we sold beer and we sold 126 cans.
- First tournament was profitable.

### **RED RAIDERS**

- Season is going well.

### **ADMINISTRATION**

- Chase put in his resignation as President. Executive board asked to not fill the position at this time and to work together for the remainder of the season as a team to handle duties of President. We will plan to fill the executive board with all four positions again at the March meeting. *Paul made a motion to move forward without filling the position of president for the remainder of the season, 2<sup>nd</sup> By: Nate. Motion Approved*
- Chase's resignation does open up a spot for his general board position. We will be accepting applications through December 15<sup>th</sup>. The board will vote via special election for his replacement. They will begin their term at the January meeting. They will fill the remainder of his term (through March 2026) and then they will be eligible for (2) three-year terms, per the Board By-Laws.
- Questionnaire will be created to be sent out to all families in the organization. We are looking to finalize our 3-5 year vision and we would like feedback from our families so we can meet the

needs of the organization. **Salena will take the lead on this and present it to the board at the January meeting.**

- Jerseys are past their “use by” date and we really should have ordered new jerseys two years ago. The holdup has been deciding if we should continue with club purchased jerseys or change to parent purchased jerseys that can be personalized. In the past we have had sub-committees and we’ve put out surveys to the organization, but we have not been able to make a decision. After much discussion, it was decided to move forward with parent purchased jerseys. **A sub-committee was formed with Salena, Sam, and Josh to offer three options and price points.** Sub-committee is approved to purchase samples to assist with making our decision. Options are to be presented and voted on at the February meeting. We will present to the organization in March at the March Open House Meeting. *Brian made a motion to approve the purchase of jerseys via parent purchase (at their expense) vs club purchase, 2<sup>nd</sup> By: Sam. Motion approved with one nay.*

## **FACILITIES**

- We will be framing out and drywalling the west wall this upcoming summer. We will begin taking bids for this project. Foundation will help offset these costs.

## **YOUTH HOCKEY COMMITTEE (YHC)**

- Season is going well so far.
- We continue to struggle with a ref shortage. State playdowns (that we host this year) will be an issue due to having a Red Raider game that weekend that will take away a bunch of our refs. May have to get creative with the schedule that weekend to accommodate.
- Onalaska is hosting the Bantam B State Tournament this year. They do not have a Bantam B team. They are hoping to auto bid their place in the tournament to us. They will continue to run it. We will know more next week.

## **TOURNAMENTS**

- Our first tournament was a tremendous success thanks to everyone that assisted!
- Next tournament is a Squirt B/PeeWee C tournament on January 12-14, 2024.

## **FIGURE SKATING**

- Season is going well.
- Junior Board was added. They hosted the holiday showcase. They would like to add more events throughout the season.
- Minneapolis competition is this upcoming weekend. Good luck figure skaters!

## **MARKETING/FUNDRAISING**

- Our next specialty skates will be Skate with Santa and our Christmas Skate.
- We are promoting our events within schools that will allow us to and through electronic advertising methods.
- Zamboni wrap contract is coming due. We have reached out to major companies like TDS. We will hear back from them early in the new year. We are also discussing other ways for them to work in partnership with us.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- We would like to move the January board meeting due to a Red Raiders home game being on the same night. Agreed to move it to Wednesday, January 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm.
- Updated the admin parking lot. We have a lot of big items on their that we need to address in the very near future. Erin asked all board members to reach out to her with their top three items. Based on the rankings, we will start to address these items at the January board meeting.

#### **PUBLIC FORUM**

- Nothing to report

Motion to adjourn at 7:33pm.