

GRAHA Board Meeting 1/3/2024

Meeting at IRA Civic Center

Attendees: Andy H., Mitch K., Jon Toivonen, Angie Baratto, Ryan Dekich, Anna Hussman, Brian Anderson, Grant Clifton and Dan Mertes. Also present: Denny Gibbons, Dale Christy, Molly Casey, Jeremy Carlson, Shawna Rude, Molly Casey.

1. Meeting called to order at 6:01 pm.
2. Gambling Update (Dale Christy)
November gambling tax return and January budget reviewed. **Motion to approve made by Jon, seconded by Mitch, all approved.**

-Donation of 100,000 from gambling to be spent by end of June. Other donations to be reviewed next month. However, there are back taxes owed (about \$50,000 total). Karen is working on an appeal for a portion of the amount. We need Karen to attend to answer questions.

3. Guest Presenter: Jon Francisco from Hermantown presenting on skills program. Board will discuss further and vote in February.
4. Scheduler Updates – Jeremy Carlson
 - schedule is done for the year. Board reviewed layout.
 - next year: likely 2 15U and 5 PW teams which will complicate scheduling.

Denny Gibbons: referee updates. Webpage has been created for the refs to be able to look at the schedule at any time.

Refs cannot get free drinks at the concession stand! They have their own fridge in their locker room. The only exception are the high school refs and Dale Christy indicated that the HS could pay for these.

Denny is gone for the next 2 weeks. He will be available by phone.

5. Boys' PDC: Grant making some changes. Grant will present his plan at next months' meeting for Board review and vote.
6. Secretary's Report: November meeting minutes.
-Motion to approve made by Andy, seconded by Anna, all approved.
7. Financial Report (Anna): Review of fishing tournament revenue. Andy will check into whether or not these may be 2024 registration. **Motion to approve monthly December financials made by Angie, seconded by Andy, all approved.**
8. Other:
 - a. Candidate vote for Assistant gambling manager: Craig R. **Motion to appoint Craig to Assistant Gambling Manager made by Anna, seconded by Angie, all approved.**

9. Fundraising ideas discussed by Ryan Dekich
10. Girls PDC update (Jon): Congrats to 15U at Danglefest.
- 11. Mitch presented some needs to be purchased. *Motion to approve purchase of up to \$2000 of equipment made by Anna, seconded by Ryan, all approved.***
12. Administrator Updates (Molly):
 - a. State Tournament (March 14th-17th). Banquet is the 14th. We need a keynote speaker.
 - b. Discussion of Title Sponsor – details TBD.
 - c. Molly will put together what will be needed for a committee.
13. Other
 - a. Coaches and managers are the ONLY people that can schedule ice time – NOT parents.
 - b. Memorabilia for the Arena. All pavilion contracts are up.
 - c. Coaching application opens in March. Board applications in March/April as well.
 - d. Request from Jeff Boyd to increase wage to \$50/hour for EMT services. *Motion to approve \$45 1st year, \$48 2nd year and \$50 3rd year made by Mitch, seconded by Anna, all approved.***

Adjourn at 7:58 pm

Next meeting: February 5th at the Arena