

**Mankato Area Hockey Association  
 Monthly Meeting Minutes/Special Election  
 September 18, 2006, 7:00 p.m.  
 North Mankato Fire Department**

**Board Members attending:** (X = present, E= excused absence)

Brian Lawrence	X	Jason Westerlund	E	Donna Majeskie	X
April Austin	X	Darren Bruns	X	Jamie Kunst	X
Chris Kaufman	X	Ruthann Kragh	X	Jeff Nickels	X
Kent Kvislen	X	Holli Loe	X	Sherry Stagg	X
Clayton Oachs	E	Joe Sieberg	X		

Brian Lawrence called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

**Others Present:**

Dan Devenport – Operations Manager	Kent Hays
Jo Nickels – Gambling Manager	Traci Hays
Brady Peters - HOC member	Brian Loe
Scott St. Pierre – HOC member	Annette Kline
Ken Essay - HOC member	Sarah Looft
Steve Isacson	Brian Looft
Mark Kauffman	Lisa Zellmer

**Approve Minutes past meeting and Agenda:**

July 10, 2006, Regular Board meeting M/S/P: Joe S/Darren B

- I. **Gambling Manager Report and Expense approval:** Jo Nickels presented
  - a. Net Profit (\$101) for the month
  - b. Lack of profit this month due to one time \$4000 expenditure on machine in Boomtown
  - c. \$7000 over receipts from this time last year.
 M/S/P Kent/Jeff Yes
  
- II. **Treasurer’s Report:** Donna M
  - a. Not a lot of activity on expenditures.
    - i. Away tournament fees
    - ii. Monthly Operational Expenses
  - b. Overall budget consistent with expenditures.
    - i. \$64,000 balance
    - ii. All deposits made already from registration
    - iii. MAHA currently has a \$92,154.35 operational budget for this year
    - iv. One CD did mature on 09/14 after 18 months. Renewed at 4.75%. Was at 1.65%.
    - v. Still have \$50,000 tagged for gambling reserve and \$50,000 tagged for expansion and growth in CD’s as well.
 M/S/P Sherri S./Joe S. Yes
  
- III. **Fundraising** – Sherry Stagg
  - a. Golf via April Austin

- i. Golf tourney netted \$2,500-Thanks for the hard work April!
- ii. Need a decision if we intend on doing this again by December board meeting.

**IV. Expansion and Growth** – No updates. Will discuss at the next meeting.

**V. Operations Committee** – Dan Devenport

- a. Dan reports he is getting together with the Schulz family this week to lay some groundwork.
- b. Jeff advised that Lon Sorenson has volunteered his expertise.
- c. Discussion on potential financial options to ensure we don't place an undue burden on the Schulz family if this facility is used again by MAHA in any capacity.

(Operations will continue after special elections completed)

**VI. Special Election**

- a. The existing MAHA board of directions would like to welcome the following new volunteer board members;
  - i. Steve Isaacson
  - ii. Traci Hays
  - iii. Annette Kline
  - iv. Lisa ZellmerM/S/P Holli/April
- b. Steve Isaacson for Secretary  
M/S/P Jeff/Joe Yes

**VII. Operations Continued – Dan Devenport**

- a. Dan explained the role of the Hockey Operations Committee. Members introduced.
- b. Group is invited by Dan to provide him with resource and advice.
- c. Group consists of all volunteers that have some role with MAHA.
- d. Was originally a group that Tom Christianson established and facilitated?
  - i. Dan Devenport-Attempts to direct this group
  - ii. Tom Christianson-Parent and for Volunteer "Hockey Operations Manager" (not present)
  - iii. Ken Essay-Mankato West High Head Coach
  - iv. Brady Peters-Volunteer Coach with MAHA since 1995
  - v. Scott St. Pier-Volunteer Coach with MAHA since
- e. Lengthy Discussion ensued regarding why MAHA has the existing policy in place in regards to allowing Mites to move up early only on the condition they are able to be placed on an A level Squirt team.
  - i. To summarize the reasoning, the HOC committee believes that if a child has the skill set to move up to squirts and make an A level team, they have mastered the skills development specific to the Mite program. If the child does not make a A level team, then generally speaking that child does not possess the skills that are being offered at the Mite level and shall continue at the Mite level until this skill set is mastered, or they are age appropriate to move up to their respected level of play.

**VIII. Communications** – Kent Kvislen

- a. Nothing to report

**IX. Grievance Policy**

- a. Keys per Mark Kauffman
    - i. Keep it simple
    - ii. Needs to be a formal process
    - iii. Include all potential grievances
  - b. A work group to continue with the development of this process was formed by Steve Isaacson and Mark Kauffman.
    - i. Steve I and Mark K will be the initial two sitting members
    - ii. These two will report back to the board next month
- M/S/P Brian L/Jeff N Yes

**X. Volunteerism**

- a. April A reports that we have 40 people sign up to help volunteer for MAHA related activities.
  - b. April A will be putting together a phone bank of people for any MAHA related needs.
  - c. April A accepted the responsibility of Volunteer Coordinator
- M/S/P Sherry S./Joe S. Yes

**XI. Contracts**

- a. Des Christopher-The Goalie Club (Dan will forward a copy to everyone)
    - i. \$3500
- M/S/P Steve/RuthAnn Opposed Jamie Yes
- b. Darren Blue (Dan will forward a copy to everyone)
    - i. \$3500
      - 1. Left for further discussion in relationship to Troy Jutting's job description
  - c. Troy Jutting (Dan will forward a copy to everyone)
    - i. \$3500
      - 1. Left for further discussion upon clarification of job description
- M/S/P April A/Darren B Yes

**XII. Other**

- a. Brian will forward reports to new members of the board.

**XIII. Next Meeting Agenda items**

- a. Dryland Facility
- b. Contracts
- c. Grievance Committee Update
- d. Donna; camera for photos of new volunteers

**XIV. Adjournment: 11:15 PM**

M/S/P: Jamie K./Ruthann

Next Meeting  
TBA