

**Mankato Area Hockey Association
 Monthly Meeting Minutes
 Monday, September 8, 2014
 North Mankato Fire Hall
 North Mankato, MN**

Board of Directors (X= present and E= excused)

President – Mike Steindl	X	Wade Adams	X	Steve Hatkin	E	Stephanie Maday	E
Vice President – Jim Steiert	E	Mike Birkmaier	X	Chuck Keller	E	Joel Oltman	E
Controller – Adam Arnoldy	X	Eric Boelter	E	Ryan Teig	X	Shawn Morgan	X
Secretary – Misty Como	E	Chuck Claude	X	Lisa Wood	X		
Registrar – Brent Rundle	X	Brandon Graves	E				

Non-Board Members

Gambling Manager – Tammy Ekstedt	E
HOC Chair – Marcus Peterson	X

Guests: Ruthann Kragh, Kevin Wood, Brenda Christenson

Meeting Called to Order:

Meeting called to order at 7:04pm.

Review and Approve current agenda

M/S/P: Wade/Brent

Review and Approve Minutes of last regular meeting

General discussion covering the minutes.

M/S/P: Wade/Brent

Gambling Manager Report and Expense Approval: Presented by: Tammy Ekstadt
Reviewed the LG1004.

Reviewed via email to the board.

M/S/P: Brandon/Misty

Blues on Belgrade has asked for the donation return of the \$1500 that was refunded now that their Non-profit status is reinstated. Board approved.

M/S/P: Wade/Ryan

Treasurers Report: - Adam Arnoldy

- Reviewed the check register from 8/13/14 through 9/6/14
- Balance in the General Fund checkbook as of \$72,159.20

M/S/P: Chuck/Wade

Fundraising: Jim Steiert

Calendars are at the printers and proofs are being reviewed and finalized.

Expansion and Growth: Steve Hatkin/Brent Rundle

Flyers were distributed to the schools for registration.

Contacted the City of North Mankato with a list of suggested improvements to the rink and warming house at Spring Lake Park in order to use the ice for outdoor practice. Requested T/Th/Sat ice times.

Sponsorships: Eric Boelter

Contacted sponsors and have received commitments from most of them. Two Goals for Kids Sponsors not renewing and one travel team. Have leads on 3 new sponsors. Eric is working on securing new sponsors.

Communications: Mike Birkmaier

Registration for traveling players closes Sunday the 14th. Mike will be sending out additional email reminders before then. Registration for in-house will be open until October 12th.

Fall Hockey: All groups other than Girls filled up. We had to combine the boys and girls.

Mike is making necessary changes to the website, calendar, teams, apparel, front page, etc.

Registrar Report: Brent Rundle

Registration numbers are on track with last year at this time.

Background checks needed for board members, coaches, and those involved with players. Safe Sport training must be completed by 12/31/14 or coaches will be redlined on roster card. Message from D9 Bantam teams may not play JV teams.

Tournament Committee Chair: Bobbie Bastian

Update on status of teams registered for MAHA tournaments. Current teams are listed on the website. The committee will be emailing other associations to fill the remaining spots.

Grievance Committee: Shawn Morgan

Nothing to report.

HOC Chair Report: Marcus Peterson

Christian Toll stepped down as Asst. HOD. Looking to fill the position. Would like to have lead coach at each level of L1-L4. Marcus will assume Asst. HOD role and run mites. Marcus is finalizing agreement with The Goalie Club for goalie training. This will include goalie coaches on Sunday night goalie practice, mite coaches, skills night coaches. Cost for program is \$7660 less sponsorship/donation. M/S/P: Chuck/Mike B

New coaches meeting Sept 9. Travel coaches meeting 27th or 28th. In-house coaches meeting middle of October.

Discussion on allowing Parent Head Coaches to evaluate at placements. Approved to allow parent head coach to evaluate in order to place players and be involved in process. Parent head coach will not be allowed to evaluate or place their own child, other evaluators will place the parent head coaches child at the appropriate skill level.

Try Hockey for Free event will be the 1st weekend in November. Will have a girls and boys event over two days.

General discussion on Bantam numbers. If hit 36 players will go with 3 teams.

HOC Liason: Ryan Tieg
Refer to HOC report.

Stag Committee: Brandon Graves
Nothing to report

Equipment: Chuck Keller
Nothing to report

Risk Management: Brent Rundle
Nothing to report

Shoot for Good Grades Coordinator: AnnMarie Birkmaier
Nothing to report

Merchandise Chair: Stephanie Maday
Website for Sports Warehouse will be up around end of September or early October. Stephanie would like to buy hats/ Garment bags ahead of time to sell at team meeting. Will get prices for approval. MAHA fan wear packages are being put together at different price points.

Follow-up Business:

- Raises for gambling employees – Board approved the recommended part time wage increase of 4% to the part time employees at gambling sites by Gambling manager. Tabled Gambling Manager and Asst. Manager wage increase for further discussion. Asked Tammy to redo financial report to reflect P/L for each location. Would like comparison to previous year.
M/S/P: Chuck/Mike B

New Business/Open Floor:

- Team meeting day for travel teams – October 11, 2014, schedule will be posted on website.
- Approval of HOD review - Board approved an E-Board recommended 5% raise for Marcus Peterson (HOD). M/S/P: Chuck/Mike B
- Ruthann Kragh presented about Anthony Ford Pond Hockey Tournament – Ruthann will head up getting information to teams early in season for sign up and communicate with team Managers at Team meetings. Goal is to get pond hockey teams balanced and increase participation. Brenda will block off the day for no games. Feb. 8, 2015.
- Ice Scheduler Brenda Christenson is working on ice times for Oct – Nov.

Next Regular Meeting

Monday, October 13, 7pm 2014
Location: North Mankato Fire Hall, North Mankato, MN

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn at 8:27
M/S/P: Chuck/Wade