

**MYHA Board of Directors
Agenda
January 4, 2016 7:00 pm**

Mission:

To provide youth in the greater Menomonie area with the opportunity to learn, play and compete in the game of hockey with an emphasis on growth in the areas of skill development, teamwork, and sportsmanship.

Vision: *Pursuit of the model USA hockey organization following the American development model*

Ground Rules:

Mutual respect, be timely – start on time and end no later than 9:30 p.m. Come prepared. Allow enough time to make decisions and stand by your decisions. Communicate, conduct yourself and make decisions based on what's best for the entire association versus just your child!

Mission/Vision read by: Keila Drout, Vice President

Call to Order: Keila Drout, Vice President called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM.

Role Call/Quorum:

- Ryan Hopp, President – Absent
- Keila Drout, Vice President – Present
- Stacy Hintzman, Secretary – Present
- Amy Moseler, Treasurer – Present
- Kristi Hendrickson – Present
- Steve O'Dell – Present
- Scott Yukel – Present
- Meagan Frank – Present
- Jacob Verdon – Present
- Todd Sisko – Present
- Heidi Rabeneck – Present

Member Comments:

Secretary Report:

December 2015 Minutes were approved and posted.

Reviewed MYHA Board Member Register.

Rental Skates Update:

- Talked to Pat Newkirk at Hobbs Ice Center and they don't have anything available, they are short on their rentals as well. They order new.
- Used skates at Simple Sports or Play it again start at \$15.00 and go on up to \$60.
- Follow Up: Research cost of rack, where to purchase and size?

Treasurer's Report:

Checking: \$15,056.78

Savings: \$11,081.48

Scholarships: \$2,586.30

Fundraising: \$29,322.27

Budget:

- Amy will email the board within a couple days with final updates.
- Budget is tight, tournaments will be helpful, need concession stand open more; tournaments will help with that as well.
- Can't do a forecast for next year until she gets a better feel for this year.

President Hopp Update: Absent

Vice President Updates:

Updates: Keila Drout

Reviewed DRAFT of a proposed by-law change as discussed at the December meeting; this includes the idea of determining which board positions current members want earlier, and then the election process at or before the annual meeting.

- We can still assign positions for this year but will not be able to change by-laws until next year because they need to be voted on by members. Keila read proposed changes.
- It scares people off if they don't know what position they are applying for, this would eliminate that. Members would know if their skills match the position when applying.
- Last year positions weren't decided until May, if we move it up a few months it creates overlap to transition from past member.
- The new recommendations clarify the process.
- Article 4, section 2; recommended change to vote on officers. The suggested verbiage clarifies.
- ACTION: At our next meeting we determine positions for next year and work to ensure we put the right people in the right seats.
- Keila, Kristy, Heidi's positions are the positions that will be opening, unless Keila moves into President.
- Discussed 3 year term vs. 2 year term. Consistency and continuity is why we have a 3 year term but would it be more attractive to members if it was a shorter term.
- Discussion around speeches; the by-laws don't say anything about speeches so we can have each member just do a short write up that is handed out.
- Discussion around write-ins; the need should be eliminated if the process is better set up. Recommendation to allow nominations ("call for nomination"). Mixed options on write-ins.
- Suggestion for a board member to speak about the board at "parents meetings" to make more members aware of the board.
- Members must be present to vote and stay until complete. Recommendation to host the meeting first and have the voting at the end of the meeting.
- Place an effective date on the by-laws so that it doesn't affect the voting for that meeting.
- Change the name of the voting form to nomination form.

HOMEWORK:

- All board members should read through the by-laws and see if there are other places that need to be fixed. Present completed draft at next meeting, and then vote at the March meeting.
- Keila will work on by-law changes and create a new policy for election and voting; she will present at the February meeting.

- Come prepared to the February meeting to pick new positions, we can then post the open positions and nominations forms.

General Operations & Ice and Recognition:

Updates: Steve O'Dell

Registration:

- 18 LTS skaters in 1st Session vs. 31 last year.
- After 2nd session; down 4 after last year.
- Total LTS skaters: 53 vs. 70 last year.

Annual meeting:

- Last year we used the left over concessions for food; this year we have a state tournament the first weekend of Spring Break (March 11-13) so we may not be able to do that if we have the meeting before then.
- Suggestion for meeting on Monday, March 7th 6pm – 8pm. Keila would not be able to attend.
- Little Caesars offered a discount/deal last year so we can check with them. However, they did not contact us back this year regarding sponsorship. Suggestion to use Ted's because they support the program consistently. Amy will check with Ted's.
- Will plan do have pizza and cake, or just cake if pizza does not pan out.
- Suggestion for dish to pass. We got away from that in the past because people were concerned were it came from.
- Same awards; have plaques just need plates. Scott with work with the team managers to get nominations. Need to get additional patches, patches contact in the WAHA book.

Work assessment hours will be updates by the 15th. Columns needed to be switched on the tracker.

- They will be posted on the 15th of each month AND Feb. 28 so more frequently than in the past as we close out the season.
- It is each member's duty to track updates and hours; give reminder to get in slips!

Hockey Operations:

Updates: Scott Yukel

All coaches are all done with training. We need to get them their reimbursement; send Amy information and addresses if available otherwise she can get it from registration.

Year End Survey:

- Last year we did a survey; should we do again? Was it beneficial last year?
- We received feedback based on photo night and changed because of it. It helped us change fundraising. It also gives people a place to voice their feedback.
 - Suggestion to add working to the survey that states the things we changed based on last year's survey.
- Last year the survey was send from Ryan, MYHA President last year. That was suggested again for this year.

- Survey will need some tweaking from last year. **HOMEWORK:** Scott will send out last year's survey to board, and each board member can check their section.
- Goal is to send it out before the March meeting; early February and then announce some of the results at March meeting.
- Survey Monkey's fee is around \$100.00.

Review 3rd year Mites proposal and options.

- Proposal goes against ADM but coaches are doing what is in the best interest of the kids and there are kids that need more. 3 years at one level can get repetitive.
- LTS players have almost 52 practices but ADM recommends 24.
 - Suggestion for 1st year LTS program that is only 1 night a week, and then a Mighty Mites program for 2nd years before Mites. This may increase 1st year enrollment and better challenge each level.
 - Need to discuss options for next year including the need for a 3rd year Mite Program or Mighty Mites program.

No hockey weekend means no games – nothing mandatory.

Fundraising:

Updates: Jacob Verdon

Charity Mania 2015 Recap

- Charity Mania paid out \$2,175 in winnings!
- 23 Total winners out of tickets sold by MYHA.
- \$5,850 in winnings from our lot of unsold tickets not paid out.
- 59 Winning tickets out of the tickets not sold.
- Total in winnings from our "lot" of tickets = \$8,025.
- 82 Total winning tickets out of our "lot."
- Our "lot" was 2000 tickets. 629 sold.
- Ticket for 2016 can be ordered during the 3rd week in February.
- Have Sam present at Annual Meeting – and hand out tickets then.

Amy needs check to cover Wild tickets; Sam still has them available and is currently collecting. He will pay her when all tickets are sold.

Received the \$1000.00 Grass Root check.

TV is up, waiting for Bear Valley to put in outlet.

- LG Super Sign (runs 16 hours a day, powers on and off automatic, comes with advertising software).

Try Hockey for Free and 2nd session parents need 4 hours' worth of home tournament work assessment hours. Need to send an e-mail to new parents so they know what they need to do and when.

People (non-members) are using the ice without paying, and without helmets. Concerns around this being a liability. Do they need to sign waiver. No one signs at open skate a waiver form. Content to treat form suggested. Need to check with ice board on insurance coverage.

Need to ensure everyone is paying for open skate? Hold skate guard accountable for checking.

Communications:

Updates: Meagan Frank

Present the drafted documents for the Work Assessment Program as well as a proposed revision to policy 2.3, the Work Assessment Program Policy, for final approval.

- Policy 2.3, Changed hours from volunteer hours to work assessment hours/WAP. Take it home and re-read it and vote at next meeting.
- Presented Venn diagram including what falls under Fees, WAP Hours, Fundraising, Concession, and Volunteer Hours.
 - It would be nice to put in new member handbook.
 - Need to clarify concession hours at home tournaments are not part of "Concession" hours.
 - Need to create a 1st year skater and returning one.

HOMEWORK: Review WAP policy and hour's sheet (write names in where needed), and see where there are blanks. Bring back at February meeting for vote.

Need to find out from Brent how many hours will be available to take out/shut down the rink.

Discussion around 1st year LTS skater vs. 1st year transfer-skater.

Scheduling:

Updates: Kristi Hendrickson

January:

- LTS and Mites 9 vs. 6 last year
- Squirts 10 vs. 9 last year
- PeeWee/Bantums 10 vs. 12 last year

February will be bad again, two Stout home games again on week nights.

- February also includes holds for Stout and HS playoffs.

Still challenges around Wednesday night because of church (needs to be optional).

Stout sets their schedule in April and this is not given to MYHA for master schedule until July timeframe, it is then used in building out the rest of the schedule with other user groups.

- They have said that there will be no week night Stout games next year.
- Our Saturday nights are not being used because that time in the past has been reserved for Stout and they year they are not using it as often.

Suggestion to have a meeting between the two boards: MYHA and Ice Board.

Officials:

- Spent Nov/Dec \$1,200
- January will be higher because of tournaments but under budget now.
- Nick is doing a good job.

Equipment: Second session went well.

Tournaments:

Updates: Todd Sisko

Squirts, Bantam, Peewee B tournaments are full.

Getting inquiries from MN Mites teams; suggestion for full ice Mites tournament.

Still need PeeWee A teams:

- Went through WAHA website to find team.
- Need to secure teams ASAP to secure tournament.
- Need to pick dates and get them out earlier to get more teams, they schedule earlier.

Budgets:

- Is there budget to give pucks or something at the tournament?
- Recommendation to give each level a tournament budget.
- Have each coordinator put together a recap with summary of costs. Teams may need to have parents chip in \$5 each.
- Suggestion for \$100.00 per team and they can use how they see fit.

Ice Board:

Updates: Amy Moseler

Updates on ice time and budgets.

Concessions:

Updates: Heidi Rabeneck

\$673.50; paid to Blue Line Club from their Holiday tournament.

System allows inventory, so Heidi is going to reset and try to utilize moving forward. She is also able to use this program to pull certain items (example: pork plate).

Waste sheet and minimum recommendations suggestions (including the event for example Stout vs. HS game)

Suggestion for Toppers pizza (charge us \$8 per pizza and then we sell by the slice). Look into other pizza options.

Lots of bun donations coming in. Only cost for meat sandwiches is the meat.

Soup kettle died; needs to buy soup pot. Amy will check with her Dad to see how much a soup kettle is. A soup kettle keeps it at the right temperature. Amy will order.

Adjourn: Meagan Frank motioned to adjourn, Kristi Hendrickson 2nd. Motion Carried

Next meeting: February 1st, 2016 at 7pm at the ice rink.