

WHA Meeting Minutes

Date: October 10, 2022

Location: Second Street Station



BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Nate Shuller, Jason Kasuske, Jeremy Johnson, Juliane Lloyd, Travis Young, Lindsay Stricherz, Adam Lalim, Amber Dahl, Roger Schmaltz, Steve Sheehan

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:-Debbie Melville

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES: Jenni Wirkus, Lucas Deutsch, Tonya Holien, Wendy Solheim, Curt Kranz, Jenny Kasuske

Call to Order at 7:17pm

AGENDA & SEPTEMBER MEETING MINUTES: Addition to the agenda: Board Members are only ones able to present/speak unless called upon or on the agenda. Jason Kasuske moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Nate Shuller. Motion carried. Steve Sheehan moved to approve the September meeting minutes, seconded by Travis Young. Motion carried.

1. OLD BUSINESS

- a. **Registration Update:** 154 players registered. Last year at 166 last year.
- b. **BIN Update:** We have been blessed as a community with the green light on the new rink – now it's time to complete our mission and finish the race of fundraising. **WHA families are being encouraged to complete and send in your donation forms by the end of November. As the primary user group of the rink and group being blessed with ice, PLEASE consider making a donation to this 3-generation complex and leaving your LAKER LEGACY!**
- c. **Concussion:** Wendy Solheim provided an update. Michelle Leitheiser is the WHS concussion contact. Wendy has met with Michelle and Dr. Johnston (with PLHS orthopedic). Wendy suggested we need a concussion committee. Dr. Johnston has offered to be the head of the committee with Wendy and Lucas Deutsch on the committee and have a set protocol. Motion made to approve a Concussion Committee (consisting of Wendy Solheim, Lucas Deutsch, and Dr. Johnston) made by Jason Kasuske, seconded by Juliane Lloyd. Motion carried.

2. NEW BUSINESS

- a. USA Hockey, Background and Safesport must all be completed by October 15th or prior if they have any contact with minors. This includes coaches, coordinators and board members.
- b. Breakfast Club – Travis Young encouraged a grab and go model with prewrapped/package foods and drinks so food isn't going to waste. Travis brought up partnering with the school district to have more affordable options. Tonya will meet with Nygaards (Concession managers) to discuss further.
- c. DIBS/Volunteer points – suggestion was for Board Members and Team Coordinators receive FULL DIBS points for one player and Coaching Committee receive HALF DIBS for one player. Motion made by Jason Kasuske, seconded by Nate Shuller to move on the DIBS points listed above. Amendment 150 for Team Coordinators & Coaching Committee, 100 for Board Members. Motion carried.

3. **OFFICIAL COMMITTEES AND CHAIRS-** reports if any information

Coaching Committee, Jason Kasuske, Vice President, Lucas Deutsch, Staff – no updates

Finance Committee, Debbie Melville, Treasurer – Adam presented on behalf of Debbie. We have a balanced budget with a surplus. Tonya will be sending this over and will be voted on at the November budget.

Dibs/Volunteer Committee, Amber Dahl and Tonya Holien – no additional updates

Marketing Committee, Molly Randall, chair – Game Day programs are close to done. If any additional families or businesses want to partake, please contact the marketing committee.

Fundraising Committee, Molly Randall, chair

4. **GENERAL COMMITTEES**

Calendar Committee, Todd Randall, Chair – no updates

Growth and Retention Committee – no updates

5. **STAFF UPDATES**

Operations Manager, Lucas Deutsch

- a. Equipment Purchases – Orders are coming in and coming in under budget.
- b. Substance Abuse Policy for the High School students. Policy already in effect. Board chooses to follow as written. This applies to Grades 7-12.

Business Manager, Tonya Holien (Interim)

- a. Equipment Checkout – If Tonya doesn't hear back from some people in the next day, we may need help. Lindsey Stricherz will be present. 5:30 – 7pm Check Out prior to the All-Association Meeting Thursday, October 13, 2022.
- b. All Association Meeting – Amber will compile an All-Association Agenda and post Thursday morning
- c. Team Pictures are tentatively scheduled for the 2nd week of practices. Most likely will be Mon/Tues. Will be announced at All Association Meeting (Starlite)
- d. Team South Dakota Games and JV Jamboree Games – concession and admission opportunities for the JV Jamboree games
- e. Practice schedules will be posted online and on TeamSnap. 2nd Rotation will be published. League schedules will be published by November 1st. Import will go into Team Snap. Jenni W explained how league schedule works. In June, all associations are asked for information on space and deadlines (with team counts) by August 1st. The fall meeting occurs mid-September, which is the true definite time to have all information in.

6. **FACILITIES**

7. **ASSOCIATION WIDE INFORMATION**

- A. Ice is getting put in
- B. Thursday is a meeting at the Fieldhouse – Bring your own chair – all board members should be present, coaches, Team Coordinators
- C. Updates on the SDAHA Fall Meeting
 - ii. BV playing down for Bantams
 - iii. No major rule changes
 - iv. Rules on team moves withdrew until Spring 2023
 - v. All referees under the age of 18 will be wearing a green, youth official armbands. There will be zero tolerance for verbal use of youth officials. Board Members and Team Coordinators are responsible for ejecting unruly spectators.

8. **ADDITIONAL EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF NEEDED)**

ADJOURN at 8:42pm

NEXT MEETING DATE: Monday, November 14th, 2022, 7:00 pm @ 2nd Street Station