

## **Worthington Hockey Association July 21, 2025 Minutes**

JBS Fieldhouse – Worthington, MN

Members Present: Matt Kennedy, Nate Grimmus, Tyler Nienkirk, Jason Johnson, Josh Miller, Andy Berg, Shannon Andrea, Anna Smith

Absent: Nick Eink, Jason Bush, Jenna Feldman

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM by Matt Kennedy.

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by Jason Larsen to approve the minutes from the June meeting, seconded by Andy Berg. Motion carried.

### **Arena Manager Report**

Anna reported that she is auditing the hours billed by the city for arena usage. There are discrepancies, with an overbilling estimate of approximately \$5,600 as of January 26. She is reviewing week-by-week records to reconcile with the city's invoice. Concerns were raised about gaps in scheduling between practices and how those are billed. Jason will follow up with Corey for clarity on how billing is calculated. The city removed the WHA's proposed amendment regarding self-opening the arena, which was not communicated directly. The weather policy was clarified—if either Hwy 59 or Hwy 60 is closed, the arena will close.

### **Finance Report**

Due to Jenna's absence, the finance report was tabled. However, it was noted that the association is approximately \$10,000 away from the required \$65,000 annual city rent minimum. The board discussed submitting a \$10,000 payment to bring the total paid up to \$65,000. Additionally, the invoice from the city is under review due to discrepancies identified during Anna's audit.

### **Gambling Report**

Shannon presented the June gambling report. Total profit for June was \$11,735. Concerns were raised regarding decreased revenue at The MAV, possibly due to less foot traffic and visibility of the ETABS machine. The board discussed whether to relocate the machine or give it more time. A one-month extension on the current lease was proposed. Shannon also discussed the legality of using gambling funds to cover the association's insurance costs. The board agreed to revisit this at the next meeting, pending available funds in the gambling account.

The board approved holding a 50/50 raffle at the upcoming MAV event. Jason Johnson volunteered to coordinate ticket printing and sales. Shannon confirmed that no additional

application is required since the event is held at a licensed premise.

A motion was made by Josh Miller to approve the gambling report, seconded by Tyler Nienkirk. Motion carried.

### **ACE Coordinator Report**

Tyler reported on coaching and hockey operations planning. The Hockey Ops group will meet on Sunday, August 17. Goalie training options are being explored, with consideration of both internal and external coaches. Project Hockey will return this year, but the board discussed tailoring sessions more to skill levels than age.

Tyler also discussed efforts to standardize equipment and apparel, including potentially requiring specific helmet colors and gear styles by 2028. A new online store is being set up that allows families to purchase approved apparel and equipment options.

### **Old Business**

Shannon reminded the board that two families have utilized the \$250 reimbursement for goalie camps as approved in June. Clarification was given that the \$250 is a per-family annual maximum.

### **Golf Tournament**

Matt provided an update on the golf tournament. Eleven teams are signed up, with three more expected. Approximately 15–20 sponsors are committed. Golf balls with Worthington Hockey branding have been ordered for use as prizes.

A motion was made by Jason Johnson to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Nate Grimmus. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:45 PM.

Next Meeting: August 18, 2025 at 7:00 PM – JBS Fieldhouse