**WAYHA Board Meeting 9/22/19**

1. **Call meeting to order 7:00 pm**
2. **Roll Call (must notify board member prior to meeting to be excused)**
   * Present: Howie Abhold, Eric Anderson, Luke Fleming, Becki Niemuth, Kendra Cichy, Jake Waller, Janet Mace, Danielle Hafferman, Melanie Hirte, Forrest Wright, Pete Olson, Dale Hauser, Matt Hines
   * Excused: Becky Grundman
3. **Approval of WAYHA Board Meeting Minutes for August 2019**
   * *Motion by Melanie Hirte, Second by Becki Niemuth motion passed*
4. **Registrar Report-Janet Mace**
   * Bantams-21
   * PeeWee-26
   * Squirts-25
   * Mites 26
   * Rink Rats-23
   * Girls-1
   * Teams must be submitted and approved by November 15 so Janet would like rosters by November 1st. Changes can be made until December 31.
   * Teams per level: 2 Pee-Wee teams, 2 Squirt teams, 1 Bantam team (head coach will structure and rotate as he sees fit)
   * *Motion by Pete Olson to approve team numbers as noted above, 2nd by Matt Hines. All in favor, motion passes.*
5. **Director of Hockey -Forrest Wright**
   * Bantam-Tim Guyer
   * PeeWee-Matt Hines
   * Squirt-Luke Fleming
   * Mite-Mike Pintar
   * Rink Rats-Nate Abrahamson
   * \*\*\*Before coaches can go on the ice they must have background check and safe sport completed. There is a volunteer link on the WAYHA website.
   * *Motion by Pete Olson to approve head coaches, 2nd by Jake Waller. All in favor, motion passes.*
6. **High School Coach-John Erspamer**
   * **None**
7. **Ice Scheduler: Chris Gusmer**
8. **Financial Report:** 
   * Danielle reports that this will be her final year as Treasurer. Amanda Jones has offered to shadow her. The opening will be made available to the entire club to see if there is any other interest. Kendra will add this to a club-wide email.
   * Financials through August and a comparison to 2018 are provided for review.
   * *Motion by Pete Olson to approve August 2019 financials, 2nd by Melanie Hirte. All in favor, motion passes.*
9. **President’s Report**
   * We are releasing Nathan Mueller to Fox Valley. He has never skated for Waupaca but lives in New London so Fox Valley asked for a release.
   * A few board members should meet with the Curling Club as they have reached out in concerns about the increased demand and potentially decreased funds from the room tax. Howie will coordinate this.
10. **Tournament Director: Jake Waller**
    * There are only 2 teams who have displayed interest in our Bantam tournament. One is Madison which is close to Division 1 and would like to bring their A’s. Jake will talk to Jenny to see if she has any other suggestions. He does realize it is early yet.
11. **Maintenance:** 
    * Addition: In order to have permit approved there will need to be 3 feet added to both sides of the fire wall and it needs to be drywalled in an area.
    * The bulletin boards have been removed in the lobby and that is where the fund-raising bricks will be placed.
    * We are running low on big sizes of skates for the rental skates. Matt asks if we could call out to the club and maybe the high school to see if they have old skates they would be willing to donate. Cleaning and organizing the skate room and marking the skates as rentals would be a good maintenance night job.
12. **Equipment Manger-** 
    * Howie has a 20% off at Dick’s Sports. Matt notes that he drives by Dick’s if help is needed picking up helmets.
13. **Player Handout:** Mel and Kendra created a play/parent handbook rough draft. A few suggestions are offered for wording. Ideally, each family will get a hard copy and it will be posted online as well. If board members could read and suggest any changes by Friday, September 27.
14. **Fund-raising:** 
    * **Current Fund-raising:** Calendars, Gun Raffle, Signage, t-shirt vendor (some tournaments), Mada sales (% back to the club), tournament raffles
    * **Past:** Cornhole tournament, Brat fry, Brick sales, Hansen’s pizza sales, Sports poster.
    * **Possible opportunities:** Golf outing, Culver’s night,
    * Dale would like to talk at all the parent meetings about what things we have going on and asking families who may be able to help organize other events. He would like families to be able to identify him as the person to come to if they are able to help. Luke suggests that there be a meeting with Dale and team managers in mid-October regarding fund-raising.
    * **Gun Raffle:** Howie has the tickets ready to be printed this week for a fall gun raffle. He is hoping we can get more families involved in selling tickets this year.
    * **Advertising signs:** 8x8 $400, 4x8: $150, 4x4: $75. Boards for life: $5000. Dale will look into what appropriate prices for in ice advertising might be.
15. **Walk-in items**
    * **Kids daytime skates:** Becki asks if she can contact Sunny Day to try to arrange a daytime skate. We would need a few people willing to help and be in the ice with the kids. It would be ideal to have a handout for them to take home giving information about Rink Rat prices etc. Hopefully this can be done prior to Play Hockey for Free in December
    * **Learn to Skate**: There will be learn to skate September 30 and October 1 from 5-6. Kendra will ask Becky if she is willing to talk with WDUX again. Forrest reports there will be coaches available.
    * **Tab system in concessions:** Last year tabs got quite high and many went unpaid by the end of the year and families had to be chased down. We should consider either a tournament only tab, pay ahead tab, a pre-paid card/bucks. After discussion, there will no longer be tabs.
    * **Matt Hines PeeWee tryouts:** Matt notes that he will be out of town the 2nd week of PeeWee tryouts. Though he is not the only part of picking teams, he will watch all 3 of the 2nd week games on Live Barn. He will not return until 10/13. He hopes that it is okay if teams are not finalized until 10/14 or 10/15. Another option is to just practice the first week and have tryouts the 2nd and 3rd week. After discussion, PeeWee tryouts will be 3 weeks. Matt will send a PeeWee email tomorrow.
16. **Adjourn:** *Motion by Pete Olson to adjourn meeting. Second by Becki Niemuth, motion passes.*

**Next Meeting Sunday, October 20 @ 6pm at the Expo**

Minutes submitted by Kendra Cichy, WAYHA Secretary