

**Mankato Area Hockey Association
 Monthly Meeting Minutes
 Monday, November 9, 2009
 North Mankato Fire Station
 North Mankato, MN**

Board Members attending: (X = present, E= excused absence)

Jason Westerlund, Pres.	X	Dave Breiter	X	Holli Loe	E
Jeff Nickels, V.P.	X	Darren Bruns	X	Chad Lebert	X
Sue Salzle, Treas.	X	Lynette Cline	X	Tresa Lacina	X
Traci Hays, Secretary	X	Shaun Reddy	E	Char Rivers	X
Mike Steindl	E	Kirk Swenson	E		

Other Members

Jo Nickels, Gambling Mgr.	E				

Meeting Called to Order:

Meeting called to order at 7:15pm by President, Jason Westerlund

Guest : Brenda Christenson, Scheduler for MAHA

Review and Approve current agenda

Motion to approve agenda
 M/S/P: Chad/Lynette

Review and Approve Minutes of last regular meeting

General discussion covering the minutes. Motion to approve minutes.
 M/S/P: Dave/Chad

Review and Approve Minutes from the special Squirt C Meeting

Minutes were distributed the all Board members for review
 M/S/P: Char/Tresa

Gambling Manager Report and Expense Approval: presented by Jo Nickels

Reviewed the LG1004.

- Transfer was made from the Gambling Account to the MAHA General fund in the amount of \$6140.00. A check was given to Sue Salzle, Treasurer for MAHA at the meeting on November 9, 2009.
- The Haze may be taking their machine out of that establishment and they may move it to Boomtown. The Haze will not be a gambling site any longer.
- We are still working with Bobby Joe's and their negative games
- We are up over \$500.00 from last year's receipts.

M/S/P: Lynette/Darren

Treasurers Report: - Sue Salzle

- Reviewed the Check register from October/November to current.
- Large check to get coffee ordered.
- U14 refunds
- Tournament checks
- Checks to host home tournaments
- Skate registration fee
- Fundraising and Ham deposits
- Gambling deposit from transfer
- Sue has one individual that she is trying to collect bad checks from
- Squirt Development checks have been issued
- Paid Des Christopher his first check for the Goalie camps
- We paid Anthony Ford Foundation for the shirts that we sold at registration
- Annual website fee paid
- Crown Trophy for all of the tournament trophies
- MN Hockey for Holli
- We have received our first ice bill for Fall Hockey September and October's bill for \$22,666.50
- Receivables are down to \$23,000.00
- We are still waiting for our Goals for Kids money from Realty Executives
- Sue will send out another set of invoices to see if we can generate some more revenue
- We have one family that we will let them skate this year as long as we can collect last year's registration fee.
- Brenda indicated that our ice bills should stay pretty consistent around the \$23,000.00. We have ice scheduled through the end of March. March is mainly mites and mini mites.
- We have also picked up some ice over at Waseca. We are looking at approximately an additional \$7000.00. Verizon Wireless is the same cost per hour as ASA.
- Report to the State from last meeting has been taken care of.

M/S/P: Darren/Chad

Additional Treasurer Business:

Team Treasurer Budget: We have increased the Hotel per diem to \$110.00 per night up to 2 nights. The meal per diem is \$25.00 per day up to 3 coaches at 3 days.

The Squirt B's have a tournament in Hutchinson that they need to stay over due to the times that they play. Question was asked if we can cover the coach's rooms for that particular weekend. The Board indicated that we are ok to cover one room for one night for the 3 coaches at \$94.00.

Suggestion was made to increase the per diem to give the coaches a little extra for gas money. We will make a decision once we know what the coaches pay structure is.

Any additional team funds can be saved and used at the end of the year for the party.

Kato Insurance: There is a bill for \$519.35 for coverage on our equipment in the amount of \$83,000 worth of equipment. Need to convert all of our equipment to a dollar amount. Need to know how much per pair of skates, cost of a helmet, price per jersey sets, tooter shooters, goalie gear. Once we know how much we have in assets we may be able to adjust our premium with Kato Insurance. Jason would like Sue to check to see if it covers water damage.

Anthony Ford Foundation Update: They want to get their flyers, posters and registration information onto our website for the Pond Hockey tournament on the front page. They would also like this information in our newsletter or out in a mass e-mail via pdf. They want a link on our website to their blog. Dave suggested a separate page for the Anthony Ford Foundation on our website. We will also post it at the rink.

Some of the individuals on the Anthony Ford Foundation board would like to exit off of this board. They would like to increase from 6 rinks to 9 and they would like to cap it at 40 teams. The Anthony Ford Foundation would like to have someone shadow them this year as they would like to have MAHA take over this event. They will be attending our December Board meeting to discuss the particulars. They also asked about our intern, Matt Tyree will be running the show at Westwood this year would Derek be able to help out at all. A base of interns may be a good solution for this project. We need to let members of our Association know what the Anthony Ford Foundation is looking for as far as members to take over positions on their Board. This may be an opportunity where we could bring back mandatory volunteer hours. They would also like to use our boarder patrols for that weekend. We can talk to Chris Hvinden to make sure it is ok. They would also like to see if Mike from Erbert's would be willing to donate cookies.

Jeff suggested that we try to have the mites/mini mites sign up to help with this event. For our December meeting we will invite Shane Bowyer from Sports Institute as well as members from the Anthony Ford Foundation. We would like them to bring an outline as well as a time line for when certain duties need to be completed. We would also like to know who their contacts are as well as their event coordinators.

Jeff and Jason also suggested putting together a little 20 minute DVD about the Pond Hockey Tournament and what it means to everyone. This could be played at the rink in the lobby and distributed to other associations.

Fundraising Report: Jeff Nickels

- The WOW Zone would like to do a fundraiser for MAHA with Sloppy Joe's, chips etc. They would like to do it in January for either the girl's tournament or the Squirt tournament.

M/S/P:

Expansion and Growth: Brenda Christenson presented some information regarding the grant Paul Ostoff would like to see the grant money that was supposed to update the rink for the MSU Women's go towards the youth towards an additional sheet of ice. Kirk will meet with Paul to see what our options are. Paul would like us to go to the City and let them know our needs as a youth association. That way we can put a plan together as a Board.

Sponsorships – Traci Hays/Mike Steindl

Nothing to report – Sue is still waiting for some sponsorships checks to come in.

Operations Committee: Tom Christenson/Shawn Reddy

No report submitted

Registrar Report – Holli Loe
No report submitted

Communications: – Dave Breiter
No report submitted

Tournament Committee: Traci Hays

Shared that the Tournament Committee will be asking for volunteers to work some of the upcoming tournaments.

Miscellaneous: Some individuals have expressed concern as to what rink their games are played on. We have to take what is assigned to us.

When meeting minutes are distributed to the Board also send them to the Managers and ask them to forward to their team.

Ice Times: Brenda went over how she comes up with the ice times for each team to make sure that every team has the same amount of hours. Bantam A – home games and practice ice times 54/ Bantam B – 55 ice times Pee Wee A = 53 ice times / PeeWee B = 50 ice times. We also discussed ice times for the Pee Wee C team. Some teams have asked why they do not have as many hours as the rest of the teams. How do you even it out between all levels even at the Squirt level because we don't want to take away from Squirts or any other team because they all need ice time more than once a week. This is not the actual hours on the ice just the amount of times that they are on the ice. Some teams may have ice for 1 ½ versus others have only 1 hour. Once Schulz's rink is ready we will have more ice time open up. Brenda works with the ice that is given to her and tries to make sure that every team gets ice every week while getting the right amount of hours based on what they paid for.

Follow-up Business:
Anthony Ford Foundation

Next Meeting Agenda Items:

Next Regular Meeting

Monday, December 21, 2009
Location NMFD at 7:00pm

Adjournment: 9:30
Motion to adjourn
M/S/P: Tresa/Darren