



ACYHA Board of Directors Monthly Meeting Minutes August 2014

Meeting Type: Monthly Meeting
Date: August 11, 2014
Time: 6:30 pm
Location: New Hope Ice Arena - Meeting Room #1

Attendees:	P	Kirk Anderson	P	Beth Battina	P	Eric Jeffreys-Berns	P	Kevin Conway
	P	Crissy Ginther	P	Scott Graul	A	Jon Hill	P	Buck Humphrey
	P	Tawnia Johnson	P	Mark Lucas	P	Jerry Mlekoday	P	Derek Olson
	P	Carrie Potter	E	Derrick Raymond	P	Julie Ann Schmidt	P	Carla Schoenberg
	P	Jenn Sondrall	E	Bob Sticha	P	Sara Subby		

Add'l Reps:	P	Jon Campion	P	Tracee deNeui			
	A	Absent	E	Excused	P	Present	

Guests: Nancy Johnson Eric Lucas

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| Topics: | Presenter(s): |
| 1) Call to Order | Scott Graul |
| • <i>Meeting called to order at 6:37pm.</i> | |
| 2) Roll call | Beth Battina |
| • <i>Attendance taken; results indicated</i> | |
| 3) Approval of Meeting Minutes | Beth Battina |
| • <i>Approval of July 2014 Meeting Minutes - Take Steve O's out of the minutes – we've been out of there since 2012. Kevin Conway made a motion to approve the minutes with these revisions. Jenn Sondrall seconds. All in favor. Motion passes.</i> | |
| 4) Reports/Updates | |
| a) Charitable Gambling Manager | Tracee deNeui |
| i) Charitable Gambling report | |
| (1) <i>Checkbook balance as of the end of July 2014 - \$12,443.43</i> | |
| (2) <i>Profit for July 2014 - \$23,872.42</i> | |
| (3) <i>Revenue in Jul \$64K, Jun \$61K, May \$74K, Apr \$87K, Mar \$103K, Feb \$61K, Jan \$83K, Dec \$78K, Nov \$71K</i> | |
| (4) <i>Bingo at Pub 42 – calling 60 numbers this week for the \$1000 jackpot. Send out an email asking Association members to come.</i> | |
| (5) <i>Outtakes – last day is this Friday, Aug. 15th, 2014. The owner was very understanding that it was a business decision. Need help from the board to move the booth to Pub 42 and put the Pub 42 booth into the storage unit at 9am Saturday!</i> | |
| ii) Monthly approvals | |
| (1) <i>Approval for expenses for September 2014 - \$38,100</i> | |
| (2) <i>Approval to pay July 2014 taxes to the City of St. Louis Park - \$250.00</i> | |
| (3) <i>Approval to pay Jan-Mar 2014 taxes to the City of Plymouth - \$1414.79</i> | |
| (4) <i>Approval to pay Apr-Jun 2014 taxes to the City of Plymouth - \$1266.24</i> | |
| • <i>Kevin Conway made a motion to approve the gambling report. Jenn Sondrall seconds. All were in favor – motion passes.</i> | |
| b) ACE and Coaches Coordinator(s) | Jon Hill |
| • <i>No report.</i> | |
| c) SafeSport | *Need Rep* |
| d) Player Development Committee (PDC) | Jon Campion |
| • <i>PDC meeting on Aug 2nd. Talked about age progression development. Jim Wilharm will be taking the lead on that.</i> | |

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- *Working with high school coaches for the camp. Kevin Gray committed to the girl's camp as the lead instructor. Danny Charleston committed to the boys camp. We are paying them \$50 a session.*
- *The evaluation committee had a meeting – got started on educating the new people on the structure of it, etc. We went through the list of improvement opportunities – there were 22 areas defined as areas to improve and are going through all of them.*
- *We have a strange number of Bantams and PDC talked with Kevin Conway regarding talking with North Metro about evening out teams. Their players wouldn't be able to play an A team and if any went to them, they wouldn't be able to play on an A team there either. We have enough goalies, just need to nail down the numbers of skaters.*

e) Registrar

Crissy Ginther

- *Registration opened today. We have 12 registered players already. There were a few glitches this morning but they all got worked out. Big thanks to Dawn Speltz for her help.*
- *The district registrar meeting happens next Monday night and Kevin Conway will be going in Crissy's absence.*

f) Mite Coordinator

Derrick Raymond

- *No report.*

g) Boys' Travel Coordinator

Bob Sticha

- *Derek Olson spoke on the Jr. Gold program on behalf of Bob. Bob Sticha has worked hard on the Jr. Gold program – we put the attached document together to detail it out for you. Most likely a B team, approximately 40 hours of ice time. Games are 90 minutes in length. Practices will be 1-2 times per week. Season will run Mid-November thru February (depending on game schedule.) Fees paid by the players is \$800 with 2-3 tournaments. The ACYHA team will be playing in the Metro League. Volunteer commitment would be 10 hours per skater. Team fees would be paid by the families just as they are currently for all traveling teams.*
- *Explanation for the cost analysis is they divided the estimated total cost of this program and divided it by the number of skaters. That figure came out to \$950. Comparitvely, all the other traveling teams' registration fees are about \$150 less than the actual cost. We applied that same amount (\$150) to this team as well and reduced it to \$800 per player to register. They have less ice time due to starting in mid-November.*
- *Question from Crissy Ginther - If a Jr. Gold player has a sibling in ACYHA, will they need to add more hours or how will that work? Many suggestions – they will be determining this and will bring it back to the board in September.*
- *Will table the vote on this until September so the committee can further button down ice-time and other details.*
- *Registration will most likely occur in late September. Players don't have to necessarily try-out for High School in order to play on this league.*

h) Girls' Travel Coordinator

Jerry Mlekoday

- *Tournaments are all scheduled for the girls.*
- *Had a really good turnout for the equipment exchange. Two brand new U10's that we got outfitted with bags, etc.*
- *Grade Waiver for Clare Sondrall. Jerry Mlekoday made a motion to approve the grade waiver for Clare Sondrall. Carrie Potter seconds. All in favor. Motion passes.*

i) Tournament Director

Jenn Sondrall

- *All ACYHA teams have registered for the tournaments we are hosting.*
- *For the New Hope Invitational, we're looking for 2 Bantam A teams and 5 U12A teams.*
- *For the U12B/PeeWee B tournament we're looking for 6 PeeWee B2 teams and 6 U12B teams*
- *For the Squirt C and B tournament we're looking for 1 Squirt C team and 4 Squirt B teams*

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- j) Volunteer Coordinator Sara Subby
- Working with Julie Ann Schmidt regarding hours and detailing out what total hours we need as an Association.
 - Concessions open this weekend and still have six shifts left to fill.
- k) Equipment Manager Kirk Anderson
- Last Friday met with Mark at All-Star to order socks for Squirts, PeeWees, Bantams, U10's & U12's.
 - Bob Cruz is a part of General Sports – looking into their website deal. May invite him to come talk about his company at a board meeting.
- l) D3 Representative Kevin Conway
- Has a D3 meeting on Wednesday. Have 3 tournaments coming up for bid by associations. Two are Bantam tournaments and one is for the U12A National Tournament, so we will push hard to get that tournament. Looks like it might be March 1st.
 - We were approached by the Elite League – there is a change happening within hockey – tier 1 model. This year two teams in Minnesota had requested and applied for Tier 1 status. In order to participate at the Tier 1 level, USA Hockey requires them to be sponsored by an Association. The Wings are being sponsored by Hermantown and the Blades are being sponsored by Minneapolis. This is to combat the whole AAA movement going on currently in the state. There isn't any risk involved in sponsoring a team. The Elite League is requesting our sponsorship for Tier 1 before and after high school hockey team. The sponsorship is a one year deal. Beth Battina made a motion for ACYHA to sponsor the Elite League Tier 1 before and after High School hockey league. Buck Humphrey seconds. Discussion – Crissy Ginther asked if there was any money out of pocket for us? Per Kevin Conway, no. Eric Jeffreys-Berns asked what the time frame is. Per Kevin Conway, approximately September through May. Julie Ann Schmidt asked for a friendly amendment to request that they might consider an ACYHA patch on their jerseys. Not a requirement, but would like to ask. Beth Battina accepted the friendly amendment as long as it isn't a requirement. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion. Motion passes.
- m) Ice Scheduler/Website Administrator Derek Olson/Mark Lucas
- Ice is cold.
 - Mark Lucas and Derek Olson have given Jon Campion the preseason ice up through evaluations for all levels. Jon is reviewing and will make sure there aren't any major conflicts.
- n) Treasurer Eric Jeffreys-Berns
- No report
- o) Marketing & Fundraising Coordinator Carla Schoenberg
- Working on all the dasher boards – hopefully will have it all figured out by next month. Still figuring out who needs to pay for this year. Still owe New Hope from last year. Still pinning it all down.
 - Found people to take on the wreath project – Dave Jensen will stay on this year to train. Marlo Korbel and Janet Tuchtenhagen will be starting to take this on. Need to figure out how many hours are awarded for this position.
- p) Concessions Director Tawnia Johnson
- BBQ is a week from Wednesday. Most spots have been filled for volunteers. Spoke to Mark Severson this week and the other groups in the arena will be there and need to make sure Danny Charleston has been invited to be there to show off the dryland area. Tawnia has the dunk tank reserved. We are also moving the location and holding it up closer to the front doors. Easier for moving food, etc. Concession stand opens Friday and most hours are filled. New cash registers are up & running. Carrie Potter won't be in town for the BBQ. She has the net, canvas and sticks and will leave it here for someone to run. We can use a net from here, though.
- q) Recruiting & Retention Coordinator Carrie Potter
- Duk Duk bag tournament – only had 10 teams set up. Lions split the proceeds with us. There was a lot of interest in the booth. Very busy.
 - Frolics parade – had about 15-20 kids. Very busy booth there as well.
 - Contacted families that stopped by the booths

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- *In process of getting approval from district to be able to pass out Try Hockey for Free flyers to the schools once they start.*
- r) At-Large Member Julie Ann Schmidt
- *Attachment at the end of the agenda regarding making changes to some of the titles for people. A lot of discussion regarding this – Julie Ann will continue to dig into this further and we’ll have it on the agenda again in September.*
- s) Secretary Beth Battina
- *Just need to know when evals are over so I can get Manager training session scheduled.*
- t) Assistant Youth Director Buck Humphrey
- *Buck handed out the document about the dryland facility. At this point, we feel the best way to move forward is to have our Youth Director and Danny Charleston sign a contract just for the Monday and Wednesday training. We wanted more of an open-gym type of scenario and Danny needed to work on how that would look logistically. So until that gets nailed down, the suggestion is to just vote based on the Monday and Wednesday nights. December 31st we will have a “look-back” to see what attendance has been like and make changes as necessary.*
- u) Youth Director Scott Graul
- *No report.*
- 5) Adjourn
Meeting adjourned at 9:31pm.

Action Items:

- **Julie Ann** - Motion/recommendation will be brought to the Sept. Board Meeting regarding changing of titles.
- **Carla / Julie Ann** – determine how many hours the fundraising chairs get and communicate that to them.
- **Julie Ann** – Continue working on total number of hours for every position so we can update records and get everyone on the same page.
- **Bob Sticha & Committee** – determine how many volunteer hours you recommend for a Jr. Gold player’s family that also has a child in ACYHA. Will they then be bumped up to the 25 hours per family as a multi-skater family? Derek Olson said he’d also be looking further into ice times for this team.
- **Julie Ann & Beth** - Motion/recommendation will be brought to the Sept. Board Meeting regarding SafeSport and whether or not we have to have a specific board member for this role.
- **Beth** – taking on the role of “apparel person.” Will research all avenues for apparel. Invite Bob Cruze to talk at a meeting about General Sports.
- **Carla & Jon Hill** - Advertising/Marketing Plan to ACYHA membership and coaches to make sure they are well-informed on how it will work this season.
- **Buck** – will work on a formal contract for the dryland facility and bring it back to the board at the next meeting, heavily addressing the open gym and 30-day back-out clause with Danny.

Future Meetings		
Meeting Date:	Materials Due*:	Materials Distributed:
September 8	8:00 pm Sep 4	8:00 am Sep 5
October 13	8:00 pm Oct 2	8:00 am Oct 3
November 10	8:00 pm Nov 6	8:00 am Nov 7
December 8	8:00 pm Dec 4	8:00 am Dec 5
Agenda items/Report in absentia:		
*Effective May 2012:		
1. Action or discussion items must be sent to the Secretary no later than 8:00 pm on the Thursday preceding the board meeting. bethbattina@gmail.com		
2. Board packet (agenda, action/discussion items, reports) will be distributed no later than 8:00 am on the Friday preceding the Board meeting.		
3. Unexcused absences will be noted and may result in suspension of board voting privileges. An absence shall be considered excused if notice is provided to any officer, the Secretary of the Association, or the committee chairperson responsible for the Association function.		

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