

S. Sheehan called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. All members were present except the Past President. Guests included: L. Duetsch, K. Kranz, D. Sykora and V. Sykora.

A. Redlin motioned to approve the minutes from last month, D. Kunkel 2nd the motion; all in favor.

Treasurer: CJ Hanson

- C. Eide needs to get together with CJ to show her the ropes preferably before the next meeting.

Secretary: M. Evans

- All directors and board members need to sign up as a volunteer through USAHockey and fill out the background check through sdaha.org. Please forward that information to lakerhockeysec@gmail.com before September 1st.
- Also, SafeSport training through USAHockey needs to be completed every 2 years. Please forward a copy of that as well.
- The Clean the Rink project is progressing nicely. The rink was thoroughly cleaned and taped off for the painters last week by a lot of volunteers. The paint is drying and touch ups will be done in the next few days. The photos and framed jersey that were taken down will be saved and put back up when we have a new rink with more room.

Past President: J. Rasmussen Absent

President: S. Sheehan

- There is no information on local coaching clinics available yet.
- The state has no Referee in Chief at this time; therefore no ref clinic information is available either.
- A new vending machine that will have candy and pop in one is on order to replace the 3 machines that are currently there. This machine will take credit cards as well and have the Laker logo on it.
- The current ticket booth windows will be taken down and replaced with a more user-friendly version. The ticket booth in the entry way will be used at ALL games this season.

Vice President: J. Wirkus

- The coaching committee will be meeting in the next 2 weeks. A report will be given at our next meeting.

Girls Varsity: D. Kunkel

- Girls have been going to Brookings to play pick up hockey. Katie is currently at a hockey camp at Kent State in Ohio that she was invited to.

U12 Girls: K. Steen

- Nothing to report

Boys Varsity: C. Eide

- Rocky Hand will not be available this season so we will need to find a replacement Athletic Trainer for him. A trainer is required to be at all boys Varsity games. He has previously provided this service in exchange for advertising at the rink. S. Sheehan will find out from the state what qualifications are needed from the person replacing him.

- The Golf Tournament will be held this weekend. The boys have found a record number of hole sponsors this year. Steve will be sending a thank you along with 2 free passes to any game this coming season. It will be noted on the pass who the sponsor is so they can be thanked when they come to the game.

Bantams: L. Fox

- There are a good group of kids going to Brookings for Open Hockey again this summer.
- For a lack of better options, the Bantams will be going to the Wilmur tournament again this season.

Pee Wees: H. Boomsma

- Nothing to report

Squirts: K. Evans

- If anyone would like to take over the homecoming float, please let her know. Homecoming is September 18th this year. We just need to let Mr. Moore know that we will be participating again this year.

Mites: A. Redlin

- Mite jamboree in Watertown is set for February 13th & 14th.

GENERAL BUSINESS

- Registration night will be on September 8th at the rink from 6 – 8 pm. Mite and Squirt ages will not be registering until December 1st.
- Changes to the registration charges will be as follows:
 - Fees: Boys JV/Varsity - \$275, Girls JV/V - \$200, Bantams - \$200, Pee Wees - \$175, U12 Girls - \$175. (Squirts, Mites and In-House will remain the same.) A payment option to pay in 3 installments will be available this season on the website for league level players.
 - Season Pass: Family \$40
 - Points Opt Out Fee: \$300 per player
 - Fundraiser: \$200 for the first player, \$100 for each additional player not to exceed \$400. The fundraiser will not be handed out until December 1st when the Mites and Squirts have their registration. This will avoid the United Way fundraiser period. The raffle will be held at a home Varsity game around then end of January.
 - Equipment Rental: \$20 for Mites and Squirts for the WHA session of the season. For full season rentals that are not a part of the P&R: \$35 for any other equipment rental and \$15 for skate rental for the season.
 - Please note that a United Way scholarship is available for those that qualify for free or reduced lunches. Contact CJ Hanson for more information.
- We are swapping ad space with the Quarterback Club this year. J. Wirkus suggested that the Varsity coach attend a few of the QC meetings.
- One Main Financial has given WHA a \$800 grant to be put towards new skate rentals. This makes a total of \$1800 that can be spent for new rentals.
- D. Kunkel asked about concussion testing for the girls. Michelle Leitheiser from the high school currently takes care of this for the boys. S. Sheehan will be contacting the school to follow up on this.
- D. Kunkel mentioned that WHA should have a presence at the Lighted Parade this year.
- WHA is looking for a parent volunteer to serve as a Marketing Coordinator. We need help with ads, dasher boards and all other marketing aspects. Please contact Steve Sheehan if you are interested.

- L. Fox motioned to approve \$1600 for equipment to the JV/Varsity, M. Evans 2nd the motion; all in favor.
- J. Wirkus has found a commentator for the boys' varsity games to be on the radio again this season. She is meeting with her contact at the radio next week and will have a more definite plan to report at the next meeting.
- Items for discussion at the next meeting:
 - Points system – needs to include clean up, 50/50 raffle and moving of the mats.
 - Request to move players
 - Advertisements at the rink
 - Coaches pay
 - A concession report from K. Fedt
 - Practice Times

M. Evans motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 pm, A. Redlin 2nd the motion; all in favor.

Next meeting will be 7:30 pm on September 1st, 2015 at the Rink

Respectfully submitted by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mike Evans', written in a cursive style.

Mike Evans
WHA - Secretary