

Worthington Hockey Association  
February 1, 2016

Members Present: Kevin Black, Chad Henderson, Jason Johnson, Kyle Johnson, Scott Langerud, Josh Langseth, Tracie Luinenberg, Sarah Nickel, Deb Olsen, Darrel Ponto, Cliff Shreiner, Joe Vosburgh

Excused Absent: None

Absent: None

Others Present: Eric Pedersen

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by President Darrel Ponto

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Joe Vosburgh to accept the minutes of the January 4, 2016 meeting, seconded by Scott Langerud and unanimously supported. Motion carried.

Finance Report: Cliff Shreiner reported. The 2015 Profit & Loss used for tax purposes was reviewed. Total arena operations totaled \$115,212.80, total fundraisers \$48,768.95 and net income \$56,410.66. The concession stand Profit & Loss for the season showed a net income of \$7,745.11. The Profit & Loss for the Worthington Hockey Association season to date was reviewed. Total arena operations totaled \$64,180.15, total fundraisers \$30,345.00, total grants \$4,000.00, total High School gate income \$7,180.00, total registrations \$23,563.71 and net income \$44,635.63. Open Skate Profit & Loss for the season net income totaled \$16,042.15, skate sharpening \$1,206.53 and skate rental \$476.45. Account balances as of January 31, 2016 were as follows: General Fund \$32,753.37, Fundraising \$16,456.78, Savings \$36,174.12, Capital Campaign \$23,924.24, Wombats \$2,910.52. A motion was made by Deb Olsen to approve the finance report subject to audit, seconded by Kevin Black and unanimously supported. Motion carried.

Pull Tab Report: Deb Olsen Reported. Allowable expenses for February 2016 were \$3,903.89, which includes games, maintenance, rent, printing raffle tickets and laptop computer as a raffle prize. Lawful purpose expense was \$75 (3% tax to the city of Worthington) plus gas bill. December 2015 profit and loss were as follows: the Tap had a loss of \$171.38, Hickory Lodge had a loss of \$182.43, raffle had a profit of \$30,577.32 for a total profit of \$30,183.91. The bank balance as of December 31, 2015 was \$30,269.43. There are \$10,175 to be paid out for calendars leaving an available balance of \$20,094.43. There was an overall \$49,871.68 profit for the year. A motion was made by Cliff Shreiner to accept the pull tab report as presented subject to audit, seconded by Scott Langerud and unanimously supported. Motion carried.

Ace Coordinator: Kyle Johnson reported. We lost three coaches due to lack of receiving coaching certification. These coaches were involved with the Mini Mite, PeeWee & Bantam teams. Kyle has spoken with all three and hopes they will coach next year. Each knew the responsibilities but did not complete the training. Andrew Braumburg has helped out at almost all levels & Tim Hansberger (squirt coach) is certified to coach peewees. Andrew has been a great resource and has volunteered a lot of time. There was a long discussion on options of a potential head of the coaches for next year.

Committee Reports:

Fundraising: The silent auctions for the Mini Mite & Mite Jamboree have been started. The pancake feed for the Sunday morning of the tournament was discussed. Girls Varsity may be interested in taking this over. Advertising signs were also discussed.

Arena Manager Update: Eric Pedersen reported. No real updates. Eric would like to start discussing future projects. Bleachers were the focus as there is a potential safety issue. Different sources were discussed as a potential funding source.

Old Business:

Concession Stand Update: Darrel Reported. High School fundraisers totaled \$1,037 in profit for the year. The pork chop feed made \$243, the whopper feed made \$471 & the second pork chop feed made \$323. Eric stated that the product is running out often for the concession stand. The pop seems to be the biggest problem. Having the concession stand open during practices was discussed.

Winterfest Review: The pond hockey tournament had a great turn out. It was played at the Worthington Ice Arena due to the weather. It has been played on Lake Okabena in the past. There were 24 teams total. Three games were played at a time from 1:00-7:00.

Hockey Programming: Already discussed

Grant Applications: Filling out a grant to the Worthington Regional Healthcare Foundation was discussed.

New Business:

Minnesota Hockey Leadership Conference May 7, 2016: Details on the conference are as follows:

Minnesota Hockey announced today it will offer an Association Leader Excellence Conference to provide hockey leaders in Minnesota with opportunities for learning best practices and networking. The conference will be held following the conclusion of this season on Saturday, May 7th at the Marriott Minneapolis West in St. Louis Park, MN.

Conference attendees will include, but are not limited to, association presidents, treasurers, vice presidents, tournament coordinators, growth coordinators and hockey directors.

The conference will feature such topics as the legal aspects of operating youth athletic associations, tournament operations, marketing, fund raising, membership development, player development and more. Participants will also have the opportunity to network with leaders from other youth associations and share best practices.

Speakers will include members of Minnesota Hockey, USA Hockey and other industry experts.

The event is scheduled for Saturday, May 7, 2016, beginning in the morning and concluding in mid-afternoon. Minnesota Hockey will supply a continental breakfast and lunch during the event.

Participants traveling more than 100 miles will be offered a subsidy to help pay for a hotel room on Friday night. Additional details on lodging and how to make reservations will be released at later date.

Official registration information and other details will be provided at a later date, but Minnesota Hockey is requesting that each association responds to this email and provides us with an estimate of how many members of your association and/or district board would be interested in attending.

End of the Year Banquet: The end of the year banquet will be on March 13<sup>th</sup> at High School big gym. 2-4 P.M. We are in need of an M.C. Darrel will help with finding this.

Update from District Board Meeting on January 18th: The district is looking for a district coaching coordinator. District official representatives are looking for referees. There has been a 30% decrease in officials for our district in the last 5 years. Girls & Boys HP program (High Performance) will both happen again this year. 14-15 year old boys start in March. This will be in Marshall & New Ulm. Girls (same age) will start later. Sioux Center was approved to be part of the district scheduling meeting for Squirts. They are a competitive team. There is a Mite discussion on MN Hockey proposal. In 2016-2017 they would lower full ice games to 6. 2017-2018 they would lower them to 0.

Playmaker Awards: Nominees were discussed. Deb will order the plaque and let Center Sports know who the recipient is after the March meeting. Nominations will be sent to Darrel via email.

MN Department of Health: The \$2,000 fine discussed at prior meetings has been paid.

Committee Discussion: Darrel discussed the layout that Brookings uses for their board. A re-focus on sub committees and committee heads was discussed.

The next meeting will be Monday, March 7, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Scott Langerud to adjourn the meeting at 8:57, seconded Kevin Black and unanimously supported. Motion carried

Respectfully Submitted  
Jason M. Johnson  
Secretary