

**Oahe Hockey Association
April 2019 Board Meeting Minutes
EXPO Center Board Room – Fort Pierre, SD
Monday, April 29, 2019**

Board President, Lee Axdahl, called the April Board meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. CST.

Board Members Present: Lee Axdahl, Ryan Swartz, Stephanie Lyons, Rick Miller, Tawnya Pfeifer, Jon Herman, Lisa Gordon, Craig Davis, Jim Wedin, Lisa Lee, and Nathan Sanderson

Nathan Sanderson made a motion to approve the March 2019 board meeting minutes. Second by Craig Davis. Motion to approve March 2019 board meeting minutes passed unanimously.

I. TREASURER’S REPORT – LISA GORDON

Discussion took place regarding the areas of gate, raffle, and registration that were all down from last year; as well as how to turn these numbers around moving forward. An informal, small group will meet with Lisa before the June board meeting to put together a proposal of how to address our budget shortfall taking these areas into account.

Nathan Sanderson made a Motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report. Second by Ryan Swartz. Motion passed unanimously.

II. DIRECTOR AND OFFICER REPORTS

PRESIDENT – LEE AXDAHL

Shared some items that were discussed and some that were approved at the recent, SDAHA Spring Meeting:

- Sioux Falls will have 2 Boys Varsity teams next season. Any team with over 50 skaters rostered must have 2 teams. The breakdown is as follows statewide for this rule:

| <u>Number of Skaters</u> | <u>Team Breakdowns</u> |
|--------------------------|------------------------|
| 1-25 | 1 Varsity |
| 26-50 | 1 Varsity & 1 JV |
| 51-75 | 2 Varsity & 1 JV |

- Administrative appeals went up to a \$250 flat fee
- Game misconduct appeals went up to a \$250 flat fee
- Appeals for disciplinary committees are a \$100 flat fee
(and any player or association that does not pay these fees can be kicked out of the SDAHA)
- 10 Varsity players are now frozen after 50% of games played
- There will be a Squirt league (rules will be released for this in July)
- Awards ceremonies will only be done at the Girls Varsity and Boys Varsity levels; no other leagues will have opening/award ceremony at state tournaments any longer
- Goal judges are not required anymore (even at the varsity tournaments)
- Rink capacity must be 1,250 to host state tournament
- Any ejected player can be mandated by head ref to have an adult accompany them
- At the JV and Varsity levels, during even strength icing, line changes can be done

REGISTRAR – RICK MILLER

Will be sending out bills for non-volunteer hours – as of now there are 12 families and 15 players (non-seniors) affected

DIRECTOR OF PLAYERS – TAWNYA PFEIFER

Nothing to report other than Tyler Wilcox will be January 17-19, 2020 next season.

DIRECTOR OF COACHING – JIM WEDIN

We are in need of coaches for next season on the girls teams. Not sure yet at the Bantam level.

DIRECTOR OF LEAGUE PLAY – CRAIG DAVIS

Good numbers so far for Steve Steele's summer hockey camp. PAYSAs is in full use on this summer's schedule.

DIRECTOR OF RINK OPERATIONS – JON HERMAN

Nothing to report.

DIRECTOR OF FUNDRAISING – DENISE LANGLEY (ABSENT): E-MAILED REPORT

I will not be able to attend the meeting tonight. The only updates I have for Fundraising are as follows:

1. I have called and emailed Rob Anderson about past hockey rosters. Per our phone conversation over 2 months ago, Rob was going to see what he had in terms of old rosters. He has not provided anything to date.
2. Lisa Lee suggested we look into the possibility of a golf tournament fundraiser. If the Board agrees, I would like to work with Lisa on the possibility of organizing such a tournament for this summer.

Denise Langley

DIRECTOR OF MARKETING – LENNIS AXDAHL (ABSENT): E-MAILED REPORT

I will be unable to attend.

Updates:

- Steamway Cleaners has purchased a wall sign and has been installed.
- Fieldhouse is considering a wall sign.
- Sanford has committed to signage for next season; will meet with them in August to finalize.
- The new owner of T&M Truckstop has expressed interest in signage and has the information in hand; no decision thus far.

Thanks all! Lennis

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS – LISA LEE

Nothing to report other than when her replacement is found looking ahead, Lisa would like him/her to shadow her the first year so Lisa can help see DIBS through.

VICE-PRESIDENT – RYAN SWARTZ

Nothing disciplinary to report. Discussed the new leadership and management of the EXPO Board.

III. PAYSA

Discussed possibility of moving rock on the parking lot. Also discussed the prices for drop-in hockey and will get more in depth on these prices at next month's meeting when talking about the budget.

IV. OLD BUSINESS – NONE TO REPORT

V. NEW BUSINESS

Golf Fundraiser – think is a good idea and worthy of looking into more. Will discuss at future meeting.

“Live Barn” (cameras mounted in the rink) – Discussed this service available through a subscription with the possibility of a 30% kickback to the association. Cameras would stream video and could be used for games, practices, or as a disciplinary aide when needed. Board agreed it would be an important tool to have and will discuss more at upcoming meeting.

REMINDER – We are still looking for a Concession Manager

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board convened in Executive Session at 7:59 p.m. CST and approved the position of Hockey Director and Head Varsity Coach and approved offering the position to Steve Steele.

President Axdahl asked for a Motion to enter out of Executive Session. Craig Davis Made the Motion. Second by Rick Miller. The board went out of Executive Session at 9:05 p.m. CST.

VII. ADJOURN

President Axdahl asked for a Motion to Adjourn. Rick Miller Made the Motion to Adjourn the April Monthly Board Meeting. Second by Craig Davis. Motion passed unanimously. The April Monthly Board Meeting was adjourned at 9:06 p.m. CST.

**Respectfully Submitted,
Stephanie Lyons, OHA Board Secretary**