

Worthington Hockey Association
May 2, 2022
1600 Stower Dr.

Members Present: Jason Bush, Jenna Feldman, Kenny Granstra, Jason Johnson, Matt Kennedy, Nicole Kremer, Josh Platt, Nikki Reiter, Tina Schlichte, Aaron Sieve

Absent: Tyler Nienkerk, Deb Olsen

Others Present: Robert Paplow

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Nikki Reiter.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Jason Bush to accept the minutes of the April 4, 2022 meeting, seconded by Nicole Kremer and unanimously supported. Motion carried.

Arena Manager Report: Anthony Timmerman is pursuing insulating south and north walls. This was discussed and decided now isn't the time.

Finance Report: Jenna Feldman reported. Tabled. Jenna having issues with quickbooks. She would like to go back to the desktop version instead of online. The question was asked by Aaron at the last meeting what an average monthly utility bill is. Here is what Deb reported. The last four months of the bill have averaged out to \$4,706.35. The last four months of the gas bill averages out to \$2,710.17. It is usually \$150-300 during the off season. The average for the past year was \$1,288.75. Motion was made by Jason Bush to approve the finance report. Seconded by Josh Platt. Unanimously supported. Motion carried.

Pull Tab Report: Nikki Reiter presented. Allowable expenses for May 2022 were \$5,561 which includes games, rents, maintenance, gambling software, and storage tub. Lawful purpose expense is **\$3150** (1% city tax \$150.00 + **\$3000** dryland equipment) plus MN Revenue gambling tax, gas and utility bill. Note: Received approval from gambling control board on flooring also received bills from Hockey Headquarters for equipment totaling \$2,791.24.

The Tap	March 2022	\$ 3,883.86
Hickory Lodge	March 2022	\$ 4,720.76
Raffles	March 2022	\$ 8,800.00
Total Profit/Loss	March 2022	\$ 17,404.62
Bank Balance	3-31-2022	\$ 46,419.64
Available Bank Balance	3-31-2022	\$ 41,569.64

A motion was made by Matt Kennedy to accept the pull tab report, seconded by Jason Bush and unanimously supported. Motion carried.

ACE Coordinator Report: Nicole Kremer reported. Registration will open July 1, 2022. Kick off night will be Wednesday after Labor Day (September 7th). Nicole will send out a reminder to

coaches to get their yearly requirements done by July. There was discussion of how the off season training looks. Jason is asking equipment people if we need any extra sticks, gloves, ect for new kids. The following has been ordered for dryland training, Blaze pods, Rubber reaction bouncy balls, Dodge balls, Better hockey extreme stick handler trainers, Balance boards, Stickhandling balls, Green biscuit pucks, Better hockey extreme passing kits, Juggling balls. Can use this in dryland room during the season also. Sunday may 8, Sunday may 22 then every wed night in June to start.

Committee Reports:

Registration: Nicole asked if registration fees will stay the same. There was discussion that other fees have increased with the district and SE fees. Tournament fees are going over their allowed amount and families are being asked to chip in during the season. Nicole had the idea of a pancake feed. Needs it figured out as SE needs it uploaded by July 1. Discussion was had about keeping each teams fundraising funds to each individual team therefore they can use for tournament fees. Squirts had an extra \$1600 over in tournament fees at the end of the year that families had to pay out. We will discuss more at the next meeting. It was decided to increase the mini mite fee from \$25 to \$35 and the mite fee from \$75 to \$85.

Recruitment, retention: Ideas for recruitment, retention ideas were discussed. Nicole and Nikki will meet to discuss new ideas. Nicole reported on the MN Excellence Event, a lot of good new ideas.

Advertising: Cost down to \$500 for 4x8 on the wall. Board inside will be \$1000, 3x7 or 4x8. Wall and boards are a one year deal. Floor under ice \$1500 per year 5x10 or 6x12. On ice is a 3 year commitment. Vinyl can't be put on cold so will need to heat, request for Harvey's to be exclusive rights for board vinyl, they will give a deal. WHA paying for vinyl. \$4/sq ft. Customers only pay for advertisements. Want all squared away by July 1. Zamboni, waiting on R&R. Cut and will wrap then have Anderson sign a contract. Jason mentioned a sign is still needed for the west side of the arena.

A motion was made by Jason Bush to accept the committee report, seconded by Kenny Granstra and unanimously supported. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Scheduling Special Sessions/Topics

- a. DIBS - DIBS jobs were discussed. Ideas of delegating certain hours to concessions, ect. Nikki has an updated list of who has been contacted who hasn't fulfilled hours. Ideas of how to handle dibs in the future were discussed, more to come on next season.
- B. Manager Position: Anthony Timmerman is interested in the manager position.
- C. Video Board: As of now it is not working. Josh Platt will work on this. He will send it in if it is cost effective for an estimate. UPDATE, Josh Platt reported it is still broken.

- D. Vision 2025: There was an informal meeting with some City representatives. They will follow up on which direction to go from here. There was also an association wide informational meeting. Votes were taken here as well as an online form for all past and present WHA members.
- E. City of Worthington Ownership: tabled
- F. DIBS hours - it was discussed to contact the individuals one last time who have remaining hours to fulfill before cashing the checks.
- G. Association Leadership Conference - Nicole Kremer attended and reported. Many good ideas for growing our association. The Recruitment/Retention committee will work on new ideas.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Association Town Hall Meeting: Jason Johnson spoke about the option of pursuing the City of Worthington to take over operations on the current facility. In order to start this process the board would need to vote and approve. It would also be appropriate to get input from the entire association and even past members. It was proposed that if this is the direction the board and association wanted to go that there would be a contract put together to propose details of such an agreement. This would include details such as guaranteed ice time during the week for practice, guaranteed weekends for tournaments, guaranteed ice time during weekends for games, who would run the concession stand, who would rent skates for open skate, what would rental rates be etc. A vote was taken at the May association meeting as well as an online form for all past and present WHA members.
- B. Dryland Equipment Purchase: Jason made a motion to spend up to \$3000 for dryland equipment. He has receipts from amazon and he will ask Deb for reimbursement. Seconded by Matt Kennedy and unanimously supported. Motion carried.
- C. Open Skate Rental Skate Purchase Update: tabled
- D. Hockey Equipment Purchase Update: tabled
- E. Annual Schedule: Nikki & Nicole have updated some forms on the website.

The next meeting will be Monday, June 6, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Worthington Hockey Arena.

A motion was made by Matt Kennedy to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m., seconded by Kenny Granstra and unanimously supported. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted
Tina Schlichte
Secretary