

**Oahe Hockey Association
August 2019 Board Meeting Minutes
Ramkota Amphitheater I – Pierre, SD
Monday, August 19, 2019**

Board President, Nathan Sanderson, called the August Monthly Board meeting to order at 6:26 p.m. CST.

Board Members Present: Nathan Sanderson, Ryan Swartz, Stephanie Lyons, Rick Miller, Tawnya Pfeifer, Jim Wedin, Steve Steele, Bob Gray, John Ullmann, Lisa Gordon, Jon Herman and Lisa Lee.

Jim Wedin Made a Motion to approve the July monthly board meeting minutes. Second by Tawnya Pfeifer. Motion passed unanimously.

I. TREASURER’S REPORT

Reported that the majority of the past month’s expenses were paying final bills on Coach Steele’s summer camp. Also \$3,600 worth of PAYSAs sponsorships (signs) have all been billed and sent out. Now just waiting to receive these monies back in.

John Ullmann Made a Motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report. Second by Rick Miller. Motion passed unanimously.

Kellie Beck was then introduced as the ballot candidate for a 2-year term as the OHA Treasurer. President Sanderson asked for other nominations. **Vice President Ryan Swartz Made a Motion to cease nominations and cast a unanimous ballot, as well as allow Kellie to acquire an OHA credit card for association treasurer use. Second by John Ullmann. Motion passed unanimously.**

II. DIRECTOR AND OFFICER REPORTS

COACHES EQUIPMENT NEEDS – JIM WEDIN

Has heard from coaches and their needs this year include pennies/jerseys, cones, and some type of ‘in front of net’ structure to mimic a goalie during drills. The total cost would be around \$800.

Motion by Jim Wedin to approve up to \$1,000 for the coaches miscellaneous needs for the season. Second by Lisa Lee. Motion passed unanimously.

REGISTRAR – RICK MILLER

As of today, 48 skaters have registered and this is in line with the number of registered skaters at this time of year (for the past 3 years). Going well.

DIRECTOR OF PLAYERS – TAWNYA PFEIFER

The DIBS set-up is going well and she is excited to start implementing it this season. If anyone needs parent duty assignee names changed at any time during the season, please feel free to contact her and she will change it. (i.e. split parent families)

She plans on going to every team meeting this season to go over DIBS in detail.

DIRECTOR OF COACHING – JIM WEDIN

There is one “Play Up Request” that has been submitted. It is currently moving through the channels of approval. Will update the board on this once the full evaluation is completed and the required coaches approvals are obtained.

DIRECTOR OF LEAGUE PLAY – BOB GRAY

Everything moving along pretty well so far. Nothing to report.

DIRECTOR OF HOCKEY – STEVE STEELE

The meeting of all coaches recently, went well. Lots of positive feedback. Thoughts of many is that it would be valuable to do this every year. Will speak more at the public meeting to follow.

DIRECTOR OF RINK OPERATIONS – JON HERMAN: NO REPORT GIVEN

DIRECTOR OF MARKETING – LENNIS AXDAHL (ABSENT)

No full report given other than President Sanderson noting that one more 'on-ice' sponsor needs to be secured asap.

He also informed the board that the agreement with the figure skaters has been secured. It is \$9,000 and we (OHA) get 100% of the sponsor signage – meaning that OHA sells the signs/sponsorships as well. Also will be looking into improving the PAYSА entryway somewhat by doing some cleaning of it.

DIRECTOR OF FUNDRAISING – JOHN ULLMANN: NO REPORT GIVEN

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS – LISA LEE

Nothing to report other than just updating the website as needed and as requested.

VICE-PRESIDENT – RYAN SWARTZ

He will follow up with Past President Lee Axdahl on how the set-up of Live Barn is coming.

CONCESSIONS – JESSI STEWART: ABSENT/NO REPORT GIVEN

III. PAYSА – CONRAD MALSAM

Ice is back. It will be good to go for Coach Steele's JV/Varsity practices starting up on August 20th for all those players not in a fall sport. Talked about trying to secure coordinators for Drop-In hockey going forward to make sure we have zammers designated, etc. Board will continue that discussion. Likes that idea.

Will be deciding what to do with the warming room in terms of cleaning it up after further coordination with the figure skating group.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

CONCUSSION PROTOCOL

Vice President Swartz contacted Kacie at the high school, but hasn't heard back yet – so we are in a holding pattern. Will obtain a copy of the school's concussion policy to discuss at next month's meeting. Possibly look to adopt a similar policy for OHA. He hopes to hear back from Kacie as well before the September meeting with cost information if OHA has to buy any concussion 'on-line' tests to administer.

V. NEW BUSINESS

SKATE SHARPENING

Jim Wedin led the discussion of how does OHA track the skate sharpening that is done. Does OHA contract with an individual to coordinate and run this service through a bidding process? Aware that rental skates are in need of periodic sharpening at both PAYSAs and the EXPO regardless if our skaters are using private people for their skate sharpening. Board will talk about this more in detail at the September meeting.

Lisa Lee will also put a list of names on the OHA website of those who do skate sharpening. This will be helpful for new parents and a quick 'go to' for others.

TEAM SPLIT POLICIES

This has to do with the SDAHA mandated Squirt League. Discussion was that OHA should be okay here as we do have an existing split policy already in place. These will be reviewed again before October between coaches and directors.

VOLUNTEER POLICY – DISCUSSION OF POTENTIAL REVISIONS

After the recent coaches meeting, it was requested to take a look again at the credit/point system for the assistant coaches. **A Motion was Made by Ryan Swartz to increase the assistant coach points at the squirt level and above to 45. Second by Bob Gray. Motion passed unanimously.**

VI. ADJOURN

President Sanderson asked for a Motion to Adjourn. Rick Miller Made the Motion to Adjourn the August Monthly Board Meeting. Second by Lisa Lee. Motion passed unanimously. The August Monthly Board Meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m. CST.

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