

# WHA BOARD MEETING MINUTES - 2023-2024

**Date:** Monday, June 12th

**Time:** 6pm

**Location:** Willmar Civic Center

## IN ATTENDANCE

Al Setrum, Justin Jorgenson, Cory Fladeboe, Darin Strand, Melissa Van Buren, Ashley Thole, Carrie Olson, Matt Morton, Al Setrum, Travis Michelson. Absent: John Christianson.

## OLD BUSINESS

- Approval of Minutes – Carrie motioned to approve last month’s minutes. Darin second. Motion passed.

## NEW BUSINESS

- Committee Updates
  - Executive Committee Meeting
    - Summer Retreat date/location – Monday, June 26<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm – 9:30pm TBD
      - Retreat Agenda items:
        - Registration
        - Dues
        - Dibs
        - Budget
        - HOC Slides – choose chairperson and board liason
        - Bingo – can we be done?
    - Proposal of Monthly Board Meeting
      - Replace the biweekly occurrence with Committee Meetings – We will plan to work towards this but, for now, we will continue meeting bi-monthly until we feel confident we can make this change.
      - Backup meeting location with TV and Wi-Fi – we would like to have a nice backup location (since City Council is using our “normal” meeting space on Mondays. We have a couple options here at the Civic Center but they don’t all have TVs
    - Committee Bio Review and Review of Strengths Placements

- Determination of Committee Chairs and Co-Chairs – We have started to place board members into roles for the coming year. We will continue to place people at our retreat and then will begin to build committees.
  - Succession Planning – Our plan is to have a co-chair who is ready to take over when the prior chair is out of that role.
- Finance Committee
    - Treasurer’s Report – Shawn has done a lot of work to clean up our Profit and Loss Comparison; moving forward, this document will be so much easier for all of us to understand. Thanks so much, Shawn!
  - Off-Ice Committee
    - Jerseys – our new jerseys held up great! No replacements needed!
    - Practice Jerseys – These will need to be purchased again this year; a board member will reach out to current sponsors to see if they’d be willing to sponsor these jerseys again.
  - Registrar’s Update – Registration is close to ready. We still need to finalize dues and registration dates. This will be done at our retreat in two weeks.
  - Fundraising Committee
    - Gambling Manager’s Report – We have been doing pull tabs for one full year already! Loosely, we’ve made close to \$10,000 in our first year. For now, we will continue to lease our two machines at the same locations. Note: Foxhole will move into their new location sometime near October this year; that should only help sales at that location.
    - WHA Hackfest Golf Tournament Update
      - Sponsor Update and Call for recruitment
        - 18 hole sponsors
        - 1 major sponsor – McDonald's
        - Still looking for:
          - Swag Bag sponsor
          - Food sponsor
  - Recruitment and Marketing
    - Do we have enough equipment for “Try Hockey”? – We sure do!
    - Open Skate promotion and attendance
    - Interest in video production similar to Fergus Falls, New Prague
  - Hockey Operations Committee
  - Tournament Committee – Some teams have already started signing up for the Cardinal Classic!
 

Al made a motion to spend up to \$10,000 on away tournaments. Cory second. Motion passed. Matt will start looking for and scheduling away tournaments for the following divisions: Squirt B1 & C, 12UB, Peewee B1 & B2, Bantam A & B. (10UB is already signed up for their away tournament)
  - Grievance Committee – no news

- Additional New Business not covered in Committee updates
  - Co-op Update
    - Emails, Upcoming Meeting – NL-S is having a meeting on June 20<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at Prairie Woods Elementary

## **Adjourn**

DARIN MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN. JUSTIN J. SECOND. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:56PM.

\*MINUTES SUBMITTED BY TRAVIS MICHELSON. NEXT MEETING WILL BE MONDAY, JULY 10<sup>TH</sup> AT 6PM.