

Wadena Hockey Club
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
September 10, 2018

1. Call to Order/Roll Call: Amy Kine, BJ Meyer (via phone), Carrie Lunde, Joe Sworski, Dani Sworski, Mark Lunde, Matt Lunde, Amanda Schmidt, Paul Mithun, Steve Davis, Tabby Swenson, Michelle Allred, Mac Neslon, Kristina Nash
2. Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve agenda by Amanda Schmidt. Seconded by Tabby Swenson. Motion Carried unanimously.
3. Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve minutes by Michelle Allred. Seconded by Tabby Swenson. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Treasurer's Report: Amy Kine said she will have the report ready along with September's report at the October meeting.

5. Reports:

A. Ways and Means Committee

- I. Dani Sworski updated the Board about the 5th-8th Grade Area Dance, which was a success. Concessions made \$234.25, the cover charge brought in \$345 and tipped the pizza guy \$5. We had no expenses except for the pizza, but that was charged to the concessions account. Sixty nine kids in attendance and eleven volunteers. Parents want to know when the next one will be. We are working on scheduling one for after ice out in April. Kids from Menahga, Sebeka, Perham, Mills, and Wadena.
- II. Fall Clean-up day, Hockey Day of Caring, coming up on October 6th 12:30-3pm. The only thing we will need as an expense is garbage bags. Joe Sworski will be the contact person for this event. Tabby Swenson and Michelle Allred were asked to put together a list of kids from the upper levels that could be called to volunteer. Flyers have all the information on them and will be put up around town and at the churches.
- III. Dani Sworski was contacted by Crystal from the Chamber about having Wadena Hockey run the bake sale during the Christmas Festival on Saturday November 24th. She had already talked to BJ Meyer and he said it was a go. At the Ways and Means Committee meeting we talked about reaching out to our alumni for baked donations. Melissa Hagen will be the contact person for this event. If there are any left overs, they will go to Fair Oaks after the event and this gets us into the community a little bit more. Kristina Nash will be making the flyers for this event.

B. Marketing/Advertising Committee

- I. Nothing to report

C. Public Relations/Communications

- I. Nothing to report

D. Newsletter

- I. Please have all information you would like in the September/October newsletter to Nette Nelson by September 24th in the morning.

E. Building/Equipment Committee

- I. Hammer's Proposal. Glass in the lobby that needs to be replaced, some J channel in the window left of the entrance, and one of the whirly birds on the compressor was ripped off and needs to be replaced. The proposal is for \$1,708.00. Matt Lunde added that in the past we traded them their banner on the wall for about \$1,500 worth of work. Their banner should be due soon. Amy Kine made a motion to approve the Hammer's Proposal with the understanding that BJ Meyer will check and see if he can get the proposal quote waived for advertisement. Seconded by Tabby Swenson. Motion carried unanimously.
- II. Tabby Swenson HS/JV locker room proposal. Twenty seven players this year and twenty two last year. BJ Meyer had talked to Scott Woods about adding a center island with 6-8 more stalls to get us through this year. In 2021, we are projected to have 31 kids. Amy Kine made a motion to put an island in the middle of the boys' locker room not to exceed \$1,000 in costs. Seconded by Amanda Schmidt. Motion carried unanimously.
- III. Arena Maintenance. Normal ice in schedule. We also need the glass cleaned as well as the boards. BJ Meyer stated that these tasks need to be done by the following Monday September 17th. This will entail: scrubbing the glass of puck marks, scrubbing the inside of the boards, Kristina Nash will you finish painting the hallway? Kristina Nash spoke up and said that she will handle the rest of the painting and cleaning of boards and glass. We also need to replace the nets, install the white backer board for the Zamboni end of the arena that need to be completed before the beginning of the season. Looking for 3-4 volunteers to help put ice in with the exception of Thursday night (9/20), we will need 8-10 or more volunteers to put the lines down. BJ Meyer will send out an email about this. Starting the 23rd of September any Zamboni driver available to drop buckets of water would be wonderful. Please call and reach out to people and send them to me. Mark Lunde stated that there are banners that need to come down and others that need to go up. BJ Meyer asked that Mark Lunde and Amy Kine make a list of changes in banners to be emailed out by the end of the week.

F. Concessions

- I. Matt Lunde and Amy Kine Proposal. Matt Lunde and Amy Kine will manage the concession stand in a 50/50 partnership. They will be responsible for food safety, inventory procurement, food prep, inventory turns, stocking product, training staff as needed, housekeeping, and all other duties as deemed necessary. Hours will be determined after registration numbers become available and Carrie Lunde will be handling DIBS again for scheduling. Same shift size as last year with an added shift for food prep prior to opening. Hours of operation based on game schedule and shift openings; management to fill as necessary. Mason Brothers and Pepsi will remain the main suppliers for inventory. Management will be responsible for the menu and items for sale and they will also handle the pricing. Matt Lunde and Amy Kine will be compensated \$2,000 each. Motion to approve proposal by Paul Mithun and seconded by Michelle Allred. Motion carried unanimously.

G. Registrar

- I. Carrie Lunde reported that as of today, we have 65 kids registered, compared to last year at this date, we had 49. I think the early bird incentive did have some impact, we had 58 kids registered in August versus last year we had 44. I printed 1,700 flyers today that went out to Wadena, Sebeka, Henning, Mills, Parkers Prairie, Verndale, and Staples for tomorrow. We have registration next Monday night for new player registration. Tomorrow night I have a district registrar meeting in Alexandria. The background check process will be changing: if you did it last year you are good. Any new board members and if your background check was 2 years ago, you will have to do it this year.

H. Scheduler

- I. Kristina Nash reported that Carrie Lunde scheduled 14 games, including 2 tournaments for the Bantams, PeeWees have 13 games, including 2 tournaments, and Squirts have 11 games, including Squirt International. We will find out mid-October if we are selected for Squirt International. The rest of the games will be scheduled this week.
- II. Otherwise, Wolverine Cup is up on the schedule and we have 3 days for Try Hockey for Free this year (11/10, 12/26, 2/23), and Girls' Hockey Weekend October 6th-7th. November 10th will be 9-noon, Girls' Hockey Weekend, Saturday the 6th will be 9-noon and Sunday the 7th 1-4pm. This should give plenty of opportunities to get girls to the arena. I will get a flyer made for Girls' Hockey Weekend and I will get those dates logged with the 2 and 2 Challenge portal.

I. Referee

- I. No Report

J. Hockey Director

- I. Mark Lunde reported that he attended the hockey director's conference all weekend. They moved the conference to the fall this year versus the spring and they had a lot of great speakers. If Minnesota was ranked for the number of kids in hockey, as a country, Minnesota would be third, behind the United States and Canada.

- II. Coaching of the individual versus the team. Coach the individual to be a part of the team. All the kids should feel part of the team, no matter their skill level.
- III. 'You can't speed farm.' You cannot make a Mite look like a Bantam or PeeWee player.
- IV. Dryland and off ice training. Google: USA Hockey dryland training. Do dryland before practice. USA Hockey recommends Bantams should be doing dryland every practice 4-5 nights a week. PeeWees should be doing dryland 2-3 nights a week and Squirts 1-2 nights a week. Age appropriate of course. We should double what we are currently doing for dryland. There should be a separate coach from your regular coach for dryland training.
- V. USA Hockey took checking out of PeeWee competition; they didn't take it out of hockey. We don't check at PeeWees so we don't need to teach it, but they check at Bantams. We need to get prepared for it. They prescribe 1 time a week at Squirt practice, 2 times a week at PeeWee practice and every practice they do actual checking drills at Bantam. How to give a hit, how to take a hit. How to bump into each other.
- VI. MN Model Association. We can apply for Bronze (\$500), Silver (\$1000), and Gold level (\$1500). Arena banner for each level. We get the Model logo for the website and social media use. We get recognition on the MN hockey website. We get recognition of captains of player development on the wall at MN Hockey. We get recognized at a MN Wild game. We get priority for association teams at the Wild Mite Jamboree. Little Wild program.
- VII. ADM information center for inside the rink. Brochures, posters provided for free for patrons to understand what this is.
- VIII. USA Hockey Mobile App. This is open for everyone to use. All videos are now open to players to get to drills for practice.
- IX. September 17, we have coaches interviews. Amy Kine reminded Mark Lunde that BJ Meyer stated that all coaches need to have their plan of action/rules. These need to be available for the next board meeting.
- X. Equipment. Mark Lunde would like \$5000 worth of equipment over the next 3 years. \$1500 this year and \$2000 the next two years. This year we need cones/markers, black pucks, blue pucks, white pucks, scrimmage vests, hockey clip boards, soccer balls. This does not include putting up the big boards in the locker rooms. For dryland we need ropes, ladder, stick balls, wrist and ankle weights, and padded mats. Net for shooting safely. Steve Davis motions to spend \$1,500 on equipment this year and have to come back next year ask for more money with your list. Seconded by Amy Kine. Motion carried unanimously.

K. Mite Director

- I. No Report

6. Public Forum

- A. Matt Lunde asked if Amy Kine received the invoice for the Wild tickets for December 22, versus the Dallas Stars. Amy Kine replied that she would be sending out the check tomorrow.

7. Old Business

- A. Homecoming Parade is September 28th at 2pm.
- B. Locker room expansion committee. Matt Lunde stated that he would be interested in being a part of that. October 15th, for our first meeting BJ Meyer stated.

8. New Business

- A. Amy Kine stated that our 9-90 will be done this week and she just dropped off our permit for the raffle tickets today.
- B. Paul Mithun reported that Wadena Hockey got 3rd in the Staples Parade. Keith Ferdon made the Zamboni for the parade.
- C. Update on the handbook. BJ stated that rough drafts should be in your email inbox by the end of the week. Please reply to the email with any feedback.

9. Adjourn

- A. Motioned by Amy Kine and seconded by Tabby Swenson. Carried unanimously.