

WHA Board Meeting Minutes

October 9th, 2018 P&R Fieldhouse

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: E. Skott, J. Lloyd, T. Holien, K. Evans, J. Espland, J. Sheehan, J. Wirkus, S. Kahnke, A. Redlin and M. Randall.

GUESTS PRESENT: J. Spiering, L. Deutsch and D. Meyer

E. Skott called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Agenda approved.

REPORTS (Association Wide Information):

- Secretary: K. Evans
 - J. Sheehan motioned to approve last month's minutes; T. Holien 2nd the motion; all in favor.
- Treasurer: T. Holien
 - K. Evans motioned to approve last month's financials; A. Redlin 2nd the motion; all in favor.
- Past President: S. Sheehan – absent nothing to report
- Vice President: J. Lloyd
 - J. Lloyd motioned to approve the 2018-2019 coaches with a note that there is still a 3rd coach that needs to be hired at Boys and Girls Varsity. Discussion. J. Wirkus 2nd the motion; all approved. As soon as all coaches are hired, they information will be sent out association wide, directors may send it out now for their level if they choose to.
- President: E. Skott
 - A challenge to all in the room to RESPECT and SUPPORT our coaching staff. Let's build and set an example for all WHA members. Lead by example.
- SDAHA Update: J. Wirkus/E. Skott
 - USA Hockey along with SDAHA is mandating coaches wear helmets with chin strapped connected at all times while on the ice. These helmets must also be current. This year ONLY, SDAHA is purchasing 2 helmets per team for each association. For this year only, if any additional WHA coaches that let us know they need a helmet before 10/10; WHA will purchase a helmet for them as well. Going forward, this will be the responsibility of the coach.
 - League schedule should be done by the end of October.
- Registrar/Webmaster: L. Fox – absent report by L. Deutsch
 - Getting closer to having the first draft of the policy and procedures manual done. It will be emailed for everyone to look at when it is done.
 - Also there are a few of you in the room that need to finish safe sport and a background check.
- Chief: L. Deutsch
 - Dry land is completed and went well. The coaches will have some changes for next season with the younger participants.
 - A long discussion was held about goalies and WHA reimbursement costs and/or ideas. At this point, we will just continue with helping out with camps and getting them coaching in Minneapolis in the off-season.
 - Brookings Pre-Season ice is going well. About 2/3 of our players are consistently there.
 - Per SDAHA rule, all coaches will be attending a CPR/First Aid training before the season starts.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Rink Clean up went well. The mats still need to be put down in locker. K. Evans will contact the 4 dads who washed them all to see if they would like to put them away for 10 points.

- Prairie Hockey weekend in Sioux Falls went well. Watertown had 11 players there including 3 new recruits.
- Reminder that the Dine with the Lakers event is 10/14. Players still need to get their tickets in and we need to get some more customers.
- Jim & Eric have 2 applicants to interview next week for the Executive Director position.
- J. Wirkus will line up Starrography to take the team photos the last week in October.
- Butlers are set to run concessions for the year. There will be a slushie machine again and this will be shared in the summer with the baseball association.

NEW BUSINESS:

- WHA will once again provide Free Skate Rental Passes to the middle school to hand out as rewards to students. Kathy Busch takes care of this for us.
- Parent Meetings – coordinators, when you set these up, be sure Lucas and Eric know as they would like to attend.
- T. Holien will be in contact with Midcontinent Communications about putting a dual router in.
- J. Wirkus is working on a deal with Vast Communications to broadcast the Varsity games.
- Mike Rawlins from Pivotal Health sent us some bag tags. WHA will sell them for \$10 to our players and coaches. K. Evans will get more information and get it out to everyone.
K. Evans motioned to pay for half of the cost of coach's coats for our Pee Wee and above coaches. J. Espland 2nd the motion. Discussion. J. Lloyd motioned to pay for the entire cost (roughly \$1000), J. Wirkus 2nd the 2nd motion; all approved.
- Meet the Lakers for both BOYS and GIRLS will be 11/24.

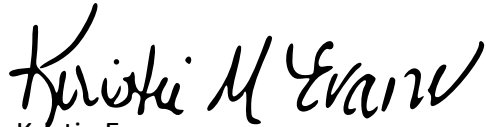
DIVISION/COORDINATOR REPORTS:

- Introductory Hockey: P. Sullivan (by K. Evans)
 - Struggling with sign up this year since the city doesn't have their computer system working. Equipment hand out if next week. Jeremy from the city will be there for those that have not signed up for Initiation Hockey as of Friday. Already mites and squirts that have registered with WHA MUST sign up for Initiation hockey as well.
- Mites: M. Randall
 - No news is good news.
- Squirts: A. Redlin
 - Squirts will play 12 league games this season as a trial through SDAHA.
- Pee Wees: S. Kahnke
 - WHA will have 1 Pee Wee A and 1 C team this season.
- Bantams: J. Wirkus
 - Working on the jamboree.
 - A meeting was held last week to address some issues bantam parents were having. J. Lloyd and L. Deutsch conducted the meeting.
- Girls U14/Varsity: J. Espland
 - Still trying to figure out the U14/JV/Varsity issue.
- Boys JV/Varsity: J. Sheehan
 - Nothing exciting to report.

J. Wirkus motioned to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 pm. K.Evans 2nd the motion; all in favor. Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting will be November 13th, 2018 at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:



Kristie Evans

WHA – Secretary

IMPORTANT DATES:

October 14th – Dine with the Lakers

October 26th -28th – WHA player development weekend

October 27th – Officiating Clinic 9-11:30 and 12:30-2

November 3rd – Proactive Coaching Players/Coaches 1-4 and Parents 5-6

November 9th-11th – Bantam Jamboree

November 16th – 18th – JV Jamboree

WHA Mission Statement

To provide for growth of Watertown Hockey Association players.

*We do this by emphasis placed on sportsmanship, teamwork, respect
for the individual, integrity and love of the game.*

