



Woodbury Area Hockey Club Board Meeting

Jun 26, 2023

Meeting Notes

Meeting called to order at 7:50pm

In attendance: Pat Sondreal-President, Jamie Wyeth-Treasurer, Tim Affeldt-VP Administration, Brent Godbout-VP Hockey Operations, Josh Wendel-VP 8&Under Youth (Mites, MiniMites, Termites), Jonnie Zook, VP Girls Hockey

Absent: Todd Wiggins-Secretary

May 15, 2023 Meeting Minutes were approved by email distribution.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Charitable Gambling Review

Income Statement for 1 month ending May2023 was reviewed. Gross Profit of \$108K is in line with prior year as expected. Variances of actual expenses to approved estimates were reviewed and approved. Motion to approve actual expenses totaling \$101,838.14 was made by J. Wyeth and seconded by P. Sondreal. Motion passed unanimously.

Net Income is \$14,553 and cash balances total \$130,635.

Expenses for the month of July2023 are estimated at \$121,793 and includes a donation in the amount of \$22,990 to be applied to 23-24 Tryout Jersey order and Intro to Hockey jersey order. Motion to approve estimated allowable/lawful purpose expenditures of \$98,803 and a donation of \$22,990 was made by P. Sondreal and seconded by J. Wyeth. Motion passed unanimously.

General Fund Review

Balance Sheet as of May 31, 2023 was reviewed. Cash balances total \$572,541. We discussed the WAHC Fund Balance Policy ([See Blue Book](#)); the required minimum fund balance is equal to 25% of the Club's operating budget which is approximately \$250,000.

We discussed the receivable balance of \$8K which includes \$2,800 in Tournament reimbursements from 2 teams, an \$825 ice refund from Ramsey County Parks & Rec and \$4,500 photo commissions from Sunshine Photography.

Income Statement for 1 month ending 5-31-2023 includes \$14,500 in hosted tournament revenue and \$117,968 in expenses. Expenses include \$95K in tournament entry fees , \$16K for ice scheduling and \$7K in administrative costs.



Annual Audit for fye 4-30-2023 is set to get underway. We'd like to get the audit fieldwork completed in September rather than Dec/Jan timing in recent seasons. LN to prioritize audit prep work in July.

23-24 GAME JERSEYS & 8&UNDER JERSEYS (Travel & 8 & Under)

We reviewed the RFP Submissions from Gemini Athletics (GA) and K1 Sportswear (K1) along with jersey samples to compare fabric weight, construction, etc. Given the Minnesota Hockey decision on the ERAA affiliate/split is still pending, we requested submissions for a 1-year contract for the 23-24 season. The Board agreed that we have great partners in both GA and K1 and have a good history with both vendors.

The Board decided to award the contract to K1 for the 23-24 season based on the considerations (including price, delivery-customer service, quality and history/experience) set forth in the RFP.

23-24 SEASON PLANNING – FINAL TEAMS & VENDORS

Team Structure –

BANTAM AA / A / B1

Reviewed considerations for fielding BN AA and BN A only team including:

- Historical win/loss records of WAHC Bantam AA team
- Feedback from & intentions/commitment to play (Bantams 23-24) of returning Bantam AA/A player-parents
- Coaching Considerations
Brent to follow-up on some Head Coach leads.

Based on the commitment of the Bantam returners and provided an appropriate/acceptable Head Coach can be named, the Board approved fielding a BANTAM AA team. With this change, BANTAM teams would include:

- 1-BN AA
- 1-BN A
- 1-BN B1
- 2-BN B2
- 2-BN C
- 7 BANTAMS

SQUIRT A - 2 balanced teams or A1/A2 – In District / Out of District

Discussion regarding request to field an A1 and A2 team that would play out of District followed. Given the pending MN Hockey decision on the ERAA split and the number of negative responses we have heard from our District and from associations within our District regarding our decision to field 1 SQ A team in past seasons, the Board could not support fielding only 1 Squirt A team or fielding 2 unbalanced teams. As a result, Board approved 2 balanced Squirt A teams for 23-24 season.



Discussion continued on what “balanced” means – including pool of 35, # of locks, etc.

InSeason Skills Providers

Goalie Development: ProHybrid & Devenir will again lead our Goalie Training. ProHybrid will continue on Mondays. Devenir schedule includes Group Development-Sunday, Small Group Training-Tuesdays, 8&Under Development-Saturdays. Note: Due to ice scheduling constraints, alternative scheduling for Small Group Training-Tuesdays is being explored with Devenir. Jonnie has reached out to Devenir to inquire.

Dryland:

XHockey-Pete Talafous will run dryland-hockey skill training for SQ/10U and Mite/Girls8U teams at Harding, and Sean Skahan will run dryland/athletic-strength & conditioning for PW/12U and BN/15U teams. Brent G. discussed an alternative location to Redline Athletics – and will follow up with recommendation in next couple months.

BFast Club

Josh and Jonnie to lead on finding instructor(s).

Intro to Hockey

Lonie to reach out to Sarma Pone – who co-lead INTRO last season with Jonnie Z.

Coaches – 22-23 Season Feedback Surveys & Coach Applications – Tabled to July meeting

Board Composition/Structure –

Brent Godbout, VP Hockey Operations announced his resignation effective immediately – as his son has aged out of our program. There is one-year remaining in Brent’s term.

Discussion continued on the process to fill this vacated seat. Pursuant to our Bylaws, a Special Meeting of our membership (sec 2.06) will be called for the purpose of accepting nominations from the floor for the vacated seat and voting by the membership. The Director is elected to fill the vacancy until the next annual meeting – which also is the unexpired term of this resigned seat.

LN to email Board to set date for Special Meeting and for announcement of open seat to membership and proper notice for Special Meeting.

WAHC Bylaws:

Section 3.05 Resignation.

A Director may resign at any time by giving written notice to the Corporation. The resignation is effective without acceptance when the notice is given to the Corporation, unless a later effective time is specified in the notice.

Section 3.06 Vacancies.

Vacancies on the Board resulting from the death, resignation, or disqualification of a Director shall be filled by the Members at a Special Meeting called for such purpose, or at the next Annual Meeting. If the vacancy is filled at a Special Meeting, nominations for the vacated Director's seat shall be accepted from the floor. **Each Director elected under this Section to fill a vacancy holds office until the next Annual Meeting. At such Annual Meeting,**



a Director shall be elected to fulfill the unexpired term of the previous Director who died, resigned or was disqualified

Section 2.06 Special Meeting.

A. Who May Call. **A Special Meeting of the Members may be called for any purpose or purposes at any time, by (i) the Board of Directors; or (ii) upon the written request of at least fifty (50) Members with voting rights or five percent (5) of the Members with voting rights of this Corporation, whichever is less.**

Section 2.07 Notice.

A. To Whom Given. Notice of all meetings of Members shall be given to every voting Member, unless the meeting is an adjourned meeting and the date, time, and place of the meeting were announced at the time of adjournment. B. When Given. In all notices where a specific minimum notice period has not otherwise been fixed by law or these Bylaws, **the notice shall be given at least seven (7) days before the date of the meeting but not more than thirty (30) days before the date of the meeting.**

The Board wishes to thank Brent for his dedication and service on the Board for the past 3+ seasons. Brent was instrumental in helping us keep the kids playing through the COVID restrictions and shutdowns and has worked tirelessly each season running our tryout process and team drafts, identifying coaches for our teams and most recently working as part of the WAHC Hockey Group to expand goalie development training and specialized dryland-athletic training for our players.

Discussion followed around WAHC's historical Board Structure and returning our Board to a 9-Person structure by breaking out coaching development and hockey development from the VP Hockey Operations role. Further discussion needed after the MN Hockey decision on the ERAA split.

Current 7-Person* Board

President*

Secretary*

Treasurer*

VP-Administration*

VP-Girls Hockey*

VP-Mite, MiniMites, Termites*

VP Hockey Operations*

VP Coaching Director

VP Hockey Development

Tryout Coordinator

Following the Board's general consensus for establishing a Tryout Coordinator position, a first DRAFT of a contractual agreement for a Tryout Coordinator position was distributed at the May board meeting – for discussion purposes. Scope and compensation need to be finalized. **Tim Affeldt to work with our Hockey Group to finalize a contract for final Board approval at our July board meeting.**



A motion to enter into a one-year contract for the 23-24 season with Brent Godbout to serve as WAHC’s Tryout Coordinator, working under the direction of the WAHC Hockey Group, was made by Pat S. and seconded by J. Wyeth. Motion passed unanimously.

23-24 BUDGET

A 1st DRAFT of the budget was reviewed for the purpose of setting the 23-24 Season Player Fees. Budget assumes same player counts, level of programming and gambling donations as the previous season. Due to rising costs in general and specifically in tournament costs and ice, the Board approved an increase in the season fees. It was noted that player fees have NOT been increased since the 2019-20 season. See below for approved 23-24 season fees

WOODBURY AREA HOCKEY CLUB
REGISTRATION - Payment Plan
Table
2023-24

Player Level	Total Fee
MiniMite	600
Mite	700
Squirt	1700
Pewee	2100
Bantam	2500
Jr Gold B	1600
Girls - 6U	600
Girls - 8U	700
Girls - 10U	1700
Girls - 12U	2100
Girls - 15U	2500

Volunteer Hours & Buyout – Held at last season’s levels of 8 hours per family and buyout is \$50/hour paid at time of registration.

Registration Add-Ons

The Board has decided to hold on any club-wide implementation of following opportunities given the MN Hockey decision on the ERAA split has been pushed to September. MyPredID Bag Tag opportunity can be shared with Teams via HeadCoach/Manager meetings. **LN to connect with Mark Hodgins on this and other player-award opportunities.**



- Bag Tags <https://mypreidentity.com/sport-bag-tag/hockey-bag-tag/> (info@mypreidentity.com / 651-202-1795)
- BioSteel

BLUE BOOK (POLICIES)

A DRAFT copy of the 23-24 Blue Book was emailed to Board on Monday June 26 for review. Updates include:

1. Added Table of Contents
2. Updated Board Contacts
3. Expanded Code of Conduct language, Grievance language and added Appeals & Hearing Process (*copied from LHA member handbook*)

Blue Book is included in the Season Registration form. **Board to send edits to LN by July 12.**

MN HOCKEY / D8 UPDATES

MN Hockey Jun 23-25, 2023 Meeting - ERAA Split Decision

Pat Sondreal provided update on Minnesota Hockey decision to postpone decision on ERAA Affiliate Agreement until its September meeting. Chair of the District Director Committee, Kevin Suoja will be reaching out to WAHC, CGHA and ERAA to schedule a joint meeting to see if details for a proposed split/transition can be worked out.

Meeting ADJOURNED at 9:15PM