



## RHA Board Meeting

Date: Nov. 28,, 2022 8:30pm

Location: Cedar Rock Sportsplex

Attendees: Aaron Ala, Alex Bjork, Jim Raguckas, Mandy DeVries, Nate Spahn, Richard Klein, Steve Alles, Tawni Brouwer, Sarah Brown

### ***Discussion Topics***

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Meeting call to order @ 8:35pm

Agenda review and additional topics (Brouwer)

Open Membership Forum

New Business:

- **Sara Brown Scholarship Update** - Reviewed ( 3 people on the committee) applications for scholarships on Oct 20 - Did not have enough money to give everyone everything they wanted but gave all 10 people who applied something equaling \$7650. One of the higher years as far as how many people applied for money.
- **Safety Issue with KOHA Brown team** - Sullivan's team - wanting guidance on incident with KOHA Brown team - 2 safety issues. A player was given player misconduct ( father is the coach) The team is concerned about safety and does not want to play them again because they are worried about player safety. The coach and parents ( 10u B Sullivan) are wanting the board to help and send something to KOHA about this player's conduct. The team wants an email from Rams Hockey to KOHA to make them aware of the incidents before the game. We agreed to send an email.
- **Team Travel Policy**
  - Tawni to do further research (USA Hockey, SafeSport, other club policies)
  - [https://www.pnaha.com/layout\\_container/show\\_layout\\_tab?layout\\_container\\_id=12296637&page\\_node\\_id=1318737&tab\\_element\\_id=31803](https://www.pnaha.com/layout_container/show_layout_tab?layout_container_id=12296637&page_node_id=1318737&tab_element_id=31803)

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- Santa Parade - Dec. 3
  - Tim DeVries will drive the truck- Mandy will purchase candy
  - Communication email to everyone - Mandy will do that
  - JR - Pucks are in the equipment room, 1,400 total now.
- Griffins Event Dec. 16 - Rams Hockey night
  - Table in Lobby - Steve
  - Swag
    - Spinny Wheel or Plinco
    - Business cards purchased with website to hand out
    - LTS Raffle
    - Water bottles, tattoos, foam pucks and candy to give away with spinning wheel
    - Hockey Pucks or Pencils acceptable - Jim ordered more and they're in stock
- Skills -added on calendar
  - Ala to talk to Desander about Goalie Skills night, getting quote
    - Aaron did talk with him
    - Time b/t Christmas and New Years is best for him
    - December 30 may be ideal
    - Cost: ice and Desander (Aaron to find out)
- Keys - Steve will be making more copies of keys
- Director of Hockey Operations
  - Separate meeting to work out mission statement for hockey director (Aaron, Richard, Tawni)
  - Everyone on the board should read the hockey director
  - Board to review most recent copy and markup
- Interpreting Services for Mites player
  - Reach back out to MAHA to keep this on the radar for a long-term solution - Get a letter sent to MAHA on behalf Rams Hockey asking for official help - Steve to contact Jared
- Project Advantage
  - Mezzanine area - wall constructed with a net
  - Turf was going to come out but hasn't happened yet
  - SCOR & RAMS JOIN forces to get turf out - Free Beer and Food
  - Steve and Aaron to look at the upstairs for power needs.
  - Repairing the upstairs area for a warm up and shooting area.
  - Penalty box being fixed and updated
- Committee Reports:
  - Rams Scholarship Committee
    - Golf Outing Update
      - Recommend to change the timing to mid-summer – Lacie and Alex to look at new course



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- Tie in Summer Kick of with the golf outing for more people to join in
    - Applications due 10/15
      - Scholarship committee decisions?
  - Banner Hanging Committee - Richard and Aaron are official on the banner hanging
    - Connect with Michelle or Travis if we can get something installed so we can raise/lower from the floor.
    - Saturday the 29th there is time or Nov 6 for hanging -
    - Pull in Aaron who is leading the committee
    - Waiting on PA to firm up their own banners first
- On Your Game- issues
  - Jared willing to join an upcoming meeting or draft a brief note on some of the delays
  - Delays not necessarily due to supply chain issues
- Growth Coordinator - no update
  - LTS/LTP
    - Updated numbers- Session 2 starts this Saturday - 9 learn to play & 15 learn to skate. Adding second hour for learn to play
    - Izzard is still here - Surgery at some point
    - Coaching staff while Izzard is out - offer stipend for parent volunteers
    - Signage around Cedar Rock to promote
    - Half off for Learn to Skate if they do the try hockey for free
  - THFF - dates posted with USA Hockey and Maha
    - Nov 5 - 5:30-6:30pm - 21 kids attend (smaller than usual)
    - Dec 17 - 1:00pm
    - Feb 25 - 4-5pm (can move if needed, FYI lot of teams away at tournaments)
  - Help with ice cost
  - Ram Catalog thing- Yes for the winter session around \$400 - Richard to pay for it

### ***Director Reports in***

#### General Manager/Ice (Raguckas):

- Adray 18 u tournament - Bid placed 11/28 for Silver level at the recommendation of Coach Wonsak.
- No major updates on games, 10U seems to be running better. Refs have been working out well and teams have been supportive of moving to help accommodate.
- Skills moved to accommodate changes and Griffins night, two more this year than 4 in January to make up for misses

#### Coaching Commissioner (Ala):

- LTS/LTP - Izzard consistently showing late
  - Aaron still trying to connect with Izzard



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- 6U Jamboree
  - Aaron working with Nauta and LTS/LTP players to field a team
- Coaching Contracts- Done and signed by the board
  - Aaron sent out, a handful have been signed and received
- Coaches CEPs
  - Thinks we are in good shape, he will send out email to coaches the night before the next group of classes
  - Mitch will be adding in private lessons - 4-5 & 5-6pm on thursdays once split season ends
  - New 6 u player - said he is registered and has been evaluated and will be joining Mites

### Treasurer (Klein):

- Jerseys: To balance with Belka
- THFF Code for LTS/LTP: 5 used
- Venmo connector for quickbooks

### Registrar (NATE):

- Board Roster - Background check, Safe Sport and USA hockey
  - All board Members are good
  - Mites – looking for one coach who has not gotten through. All but one – will follow back up.
    - Mites - Need to get Nate and Richard the roster – Steve to ask Lindsay to send.
  - Some of the birth certificates are not uploading to the USA Hockey Numbers
- LTS/LTP - must be treated as a roster and “claimed”
  - Holly has USA Hockey #s and birth certificates for all kids
  - Nate to further investigate and follow up with Frank Noonan

### Secretary/Marketing (Mandy):

- Doing facebook/instagram and website -
  - Picture and a few questions post online
    - Player Profiles are going well - scheduled out until end of November
    - Wanting to Promote teams and their wins during the season with photos. Sent out email to managers asking for game photos.
  - Photo Schedule
    - Photos are done and a new team banner will be ordered

### Members at Large:

- Alles: Project Advantage report; Taking out wall above locker rooms, looking at how to hang banners
- Bjork:
  - Golf Outing
    - Any essentials? No
    - Typical team count 19-21, '22 outing was 11 teams



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- Looking to host during the summer '23
- Karczewski:
  - Individual Team Sponsorships - other teams a bit disappointed that this was never communicated to them as an option

Director of Hockey Operations (tbd):

Meeting adjournment @ 11:22pm

Tawni Brouwer, President  
Jim Raguckas, General Manager  
Richard Klein, Treasurer  
Mandy DeVries, Secretary  
Aaron Ala, Coaching Commissioner  
Nate Spahn, Registrar  
Alex Bjork, Member at Large  
Steve Alles, Member at Large  
Scott Karczewski, Member at Large