

Oahe Hockey Association
July 2015 Board Meeting Minutes
Pierre Chamber of Commerce Community Room – Pierre, SD
Monday, July 20, 2015

Board President, Nathan Sanderson, called the July Board meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. CST.

Board Members Present: Lee Axdahl, Katie Starr, Paul Bachand, Jon Herman, Mike Mueller, Stephanie Lyons, Serena Swenson, Bob Gray, Tiffany Sanchez, and Craig Davis.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM ANNUAL BOARD MEETING AND JUNE BOARD MEETING

Board Secretary Stephanie Lyons acknowledged she had a misprint in the introductory section of the June Board Minutes that had the “Unified Judicial System” mistakenly reflected as the “United Judicial System”. She will make the correction to reflect “Unified Judicial System”.

Board President Sanderson entertained a Motion to approve the Annual Board Meeting Minutes and the June Board Meeting Minutes, taking Secretary Lyons’ corrections as being made. Motion made by Craig Davis. Second by Katie Starr. Motion passed unanimously.

II. OFFICER ELECTIONS

President Sanderson presented a ballot for the board position of Vice President. The ballot shows that Current Registrar Lee Axdahl would resign his position of Registrar and move into the board position of Vice President for a 2-year term if the board elected Rick Miller to replace Lee Axdahl as Registrar for a 1-year term.

President Sanderson asked for any additions or further nominations to the ballot as presented. There were none. **Past-President Craig Davis made a Motion to cast a unanimous ballot, as presented by President Sanderson. Second by Mike Mueller. Motion passed unanimously.**

President Sanderson discussed the interpretation of a “Quorum” with the Board. Currently the interpretation is that a Quorum for OHA Board meetings is 7 since there are 13 Officers and Directors, which includes the Past President position. However, this is not correct. The Past President position is not an Officer or Director position; thus, there are 12 Officers and Directors and a Quorum for OHA Board meetings is 6, not 7 as once thought. **No Board Action Was Needed Or Taken.**

III. DIRECTOR AND OFFICER REPORTS:

TREASURER – TIFFANY SANCHEZ

Tiffany gave her July Treasurer’s Report:

Jun 30 checking balance (Total OHA Funds): \$23,738.78

Restricted Funds: \$17,897.87

Total Funds Available (Cash Balance) as of Jun 30: \$ 5,840.91

Tiffany’s respectfully submitted Report of July 1-20:

Income totaled \$3,982.00: Concession Revenue-Food \$72.00; Fundraiser Revenue-Calendar Sponsors \$200.00; Senior Ice Bowl Payment \$55.00; Signage \$200.00; Sponsorships \$1,500; Summer Hockey \$1,955.00

Expenses totaled \$6,876.14: Advertising \$200.00; Credit to Concession Expense-Food \$(226.43); Insurance \$738.30; Postage \$53.31; Restricted Fund Expense (2013-2014 RAM Rink Expense) \$126.80; Jersey Purchase \$5,349.16; Summer Hockey \$1,350.00; Credit to Bantam Tournament Registration \$(715.00)

July 1-20 income \$25,000.00: RAM Grant (2015-2016) \$20,000; RAM – Godfrey Roberts \$5,000

July 1-20 expense \$468.53: Coach subscription \$60.00; Concession Expense-Food \$340.53; PO Box Rental \$68.00

Board President Sanderson entertained a motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report. Paul Bachand made the Motion. Second by Mike Mueller. Motion passed unanimously.

Tiffany next reviewed and presented the 2015-2016, Proposed Budget to the Board.

Of note are the Tournament Registration amounts for each level:

Mini-Mite (divided between the 2 teams)	600.00
Mite (divided between the 2 teams)	1,000.00
Squirt (divided between the 2 teams)	1,800.00
Pee Wee (divided between the 2 teams)	1,500.00
Bantam (divided between the 2 teams)	1,500.00
Girls JV/Varsity	700.00
Boys JV (1 team)	700.00
Boys Varsity (1 team)	700.00
Rooster Cup	600.00

Board discussion on the Proposed Budget followed.

President Sanderson entertained a motion to approve the proposed budget as presented. Motion made by Craig Davis. The Motion lacked a Second.

(1) Paul Bachand made a Motion to increase the registration fee \$15 per player for all skaters at the Squirt level and above. Second by Katie Starr. Motion passed unanimously.

(2) Craig Davis made a Motion to set the number of raffle sales to 10 minimum per hockey family, at all levels, except Learn To Skate. Second by Bob Gray. Motion passed unanimously.

(3) Lee Axdahl made a Motion that the OHA Restricted Funds which are awarded as financial aid, be used for association fees only and not for USA Hockey Fees as well. Craig Davis Amended the Motion to state that OHA (Restricted Funds) would only pay a maximum of 75% of the skater's OHA Registration Fees, and 0% of the skater's USA Hockey Registration Fees. Second by Bob Gray. Motion passed unanimously.

Paul Bachand made a Motion to now approve the Proposed Budget as amended (with amended items #1 and #2 – since #3 does not affect the budget). Second by Bob Gray. Motion passed unanimously.

REGISTRAR – LEE AXDAHL FOR RICK MILLER

Saturday, August 8th is the 2015-2016 Registration Day and Equipment Rental Day at Faith Lutheran Church. Lee passed out a sheet that outlined the set-up of registration flow that day and the registration times for each level:

Learn to Skate	9:00 AM – 10:30 AM
Mini-Mites & Mites	10:45 AM – NOON
Squirts & PeeWees	12:15 PM – 1:30 PM
Bantams & Girls	1:45 PM – 3:30 PM
Boys JV & Varsity	3:45 PM – 5:00 PM

Drop dead date to register will be Friday, September 4th.

Lee is thinking of giving out free Capitals decals to those who register at Faith Lutheran on August 8th, and possibly doing some type of drawing as well to entice people to come and register. The board liked both ideas.

No Board Action Was Needed Or Taken At This Time.

PLAYERS – KATIE STARR

She will hold a Coordinator Meeting on Monday, July 27th at the Longbranch, at 6pm.

The Coordinators secured thus far are as follows:

(Each Coordinator position will be given 20 Hours/Points)

Marcia Hultman

Kathy Norwick

Kris Bucholtz

Boys Varsity/JV

Amy McTighe

Marquette Brink

Serena Swenson

Girls Varsity/JV

Lennis Axdaahl

Cody Westengren	Bantam
Becky Palmer (Still looking for 1 more)	Pee Wee
Jessie Stewart Kellie Beck	Squirt
Lisa Lee	Mite
Tawnya Pfeifer	Mini – Mite
Kari Behm	Learn to Skate

COACHING – PAUL BACHAND

Paul is holding coaches meetings right now. Hoping to get it all nailed down by next board meeting.

LEAGUE PLAY – CRAIG DAVIS

State Bantam, JV, and Varsity Schedules are done.

Statewide there will be 11 Bantam A teams with a 20 game schedule; and 8 Bantam B teams with a 14 game schedule.

November 20th is the earliest date that a league level game can be played.

The SDAHA Board wants to have all, state league level game schedules completed and distributed by September.

OHA's Tyler Wilcox Tournament will be January 15 – 17, 2016.

OHA also has 3 self-reported, substance abuse violations. These will be addressed after the 2015-2016 registration process is completed.

RINK OPERATIONS – JON HERMAN

Paint has been ordered and he will confirm with Gordie on rink set-up.

This year we have funds from the RAM grant to do player benches by the small rink.

FUNDRAISING – SERENA SWENSON

Zamboni Days will hopefully be in early October. Discussion of having the Zamboni out and having the local radio station(s) broadcasting from it while players are out getting donations for pop. Could also have pop donations being done at the Zamboni/Radio broadcast site.

With raffle tickets being sold this year versus calendar sales, tickets will be ready sooner for distribution. Hoping to distribute around October 1st, or at the first parents' meetings. Selling of raffle tickets will take place during the months of October and November. Our 1st Home Varsity Boys' game is December 13th.

MARKETING – BOB GRAY

Still working to collect from 2 sponsors yet.

Midwest Construction will be going from an ice sponsor to a board sponsor. They will be paying the same amount of sponsorship money still. Brosz Engineering is considering possibly becoming an ice sponsor. Bob will actively be pursuing a new ice sponsor to replace Midwest Construction. He is also looking at having more boards available for sponsorships this year. He is hoping to get a few of the former calendar sponsors to become board sponsors now.

COMMUNICATIONS – MIKE MUELLER

Been spending some time analyzing the most used parts of the OHA website; with the hopes of continued enhancement of the website in the future, for our users.

Our contract with Factor 360 runs through the end of the 2015-2016 season.

Board will continue to discuss website enhancement in the future.

No Board Action Was Needed or Taken.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

BLACK HILLS HOCKEY ACADEMY

This will take place August 3-7. Rapid City Rush player, Riley Wolsinki, will lead the camp and bring 2 more Rapid City Rush players with him to assist. The cost will be \$350 per participant and the camp will go 6 hours a day, for 5 days. The camp will focus on hockey concepts, whereas Robbie Glanz' camps focused on power-skating in the past. Skaters will be broken up into 2 groups: (1) Mites and Squirts and (2) Pee Wees and Older.

Information will be on the PAYSA website. As of today, 26 skaters have registered.

OTHER OLD BUSINESS

The PAYSA Fundraiser/Street Dance raised \$675.

OHA has not heard from BMI regarding the licensing of the music we play at the rink since we sent them a letter a few months back addressing the voice mail they left on our rink answering machine. Thus, there is nothing new to report here.

Paul Bachand has agreed to serve as our OHA Risk Manager; in addition to his duties as Director of Coaching.

V. NEW BUSINESS

BOYS VARSITY STATE TOURNAMENT

Brookings is the only bidder for the 2015-2016 Boys Varsity State Tournament. More than likely it will be awarded to them. The SDAHA conference call is July 23rd and it will be formally decided/awarded then. Just an fyi to the board.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

Mike informed the board that Midco is interested again in televising the 2015-2016 Boys Varsity State Tournament. Stay tuned.

The Pee Wee A State Tournament has not been assigned a location for the 2015-2016 season. It is still open for bidding. The board is interested as OHA is not hosting a state tournament this year. It would be the 3-day weekend in February. OHA's interest will be presented to the SDAHA at the July 23rd conference call. The board will know more at the August board meeting.

No Board Action Is Needed Or Taken At This Time.

The Dave Tronnes Hunt is September 25-26 in Mitchell. The cost is \$330 for a 1-day hunt and \$500 for a 2-day hunt. The Banquet tickets are \$35 for adults and \$20 for ages 12 and under. OHA has purchased a table for the banquet in years past to show our support of the event, and of the scholarships it provides. (OHA hockey players have been recipients of Dave Tronnes scholarships in the past.) The board agreed to purchase a table again for this year's banquet.

No Board Action Is Needed Or Taken At This Time.

The OHA August Board Meeting will take place on Monday, August 17th at 6:30 p.m. CST. It will be held in the First National Bank Board Room, Pierre.

President Sanderson entertained a Motion to Adjourn. Paul Bachand made the Motion. Second by Craig Davis. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:56 p.m. CST.