

RYHA BOARD MEMBER MEETING MINUTES
July 13th, 2022
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ATTENDING BOARD MEMBERS:

Tom Stewart – President		Corey DuBois – President Elect	Shawn Hookey – Secretary	Josh Fernholz – Treasurer
Patrick Murphy – Boosters Director	Mark Hickey – Gambling Manager	Andrew Forliti – Gambling Director	Kasey Cummings – Girls Unit Director	Aaron Getchell – Mite Unit Representative
Rob Cothorn – Tournament Director	Robb Wiedrich – Boys Unit Coordinator	Lorne Hedin, – MN Hockey Representative	Tim Gerlesberger - Operations Director	Doug Zmolek – Hockey Advisory

NON-ATTENDING BOARD MEMBERS:

Andy Cousin – Past President			
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RYHA MEMBER AND NON-MEMBER ATTENDEEs:

Kathy Heightland				

RESOLUTIONS BY THE BOARD

PRESIDENT’S REPORT Andy Cousin – Tom Graham – Tom Stewart

Mr. Stewart discussed a recent inquiry by the MN Special Hockey teams. Ice donations were requested by this program. Mr. Stewart and other members stated this is a good program. The request is to have ice donate by RYHA with times on Sundays from November through February. Mr. Zmolek feels confident that ice can be allocated for this program. Motion to approve with unanimous board approval. Mr. Stewart will connect with the director of the MN Special Hockey program.

SECRETARY’S REPORT – Shawn Hookey

Minutes for June 8th meeting are not available, Mr. Cousin will draft minutes and they will be reviewed and approved at the July board meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT & FINANCE COMMITTEE – Josh Fernholz

Mr. Fernholz reviewed the current Budget vs Actual report for 2021-2022 as well as the Profit & Loss report for 2022. Mr. Fernholz reviewed the current budget for the 2022-2023 season. Motion to approve the 2022-2023 budget was made with unanimous board approval.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

GAMBLING COMMITTEE – Mark Hickey – Andrew Forliti

Gambling for May 2022 activity summary, tax return, allowable expenses, August 2022 budgets were presented and approved. Mr. Hickey states RYHA is in good standings. One location for pull tabs recently had an internal theft, it has been decided that the location will be financially responsible to pay RYHA the losses from that theft. RYHA had another strong month of gambling. Mr. Hickey mentioned that the UBIT audit is still pending court dates. Mr. Hickey discussed a recent request for RYHA to make a donation to the Olmsted County Fair for security. Donation amounts were discussed and reviewed. A vote will be done at the August monthly board meeting.

OPERATIONS UNIT – Tim Gerlesberger

Mr. Gerlesberger stated he is still waiting for several jerseys to arrive, otherwise this is moving along well. The new jerseys will have the newly approved Mustangs logo and name on them. Mr. Gerlesberger states that OMC will donate 1600 pucks to RYHA for the 2022-2023 season.

MAHA – Lorne Hedin

Mr. Hedin reviewed the contract through D9 for GameSheet. The cost to association will increase in stepped increments over the next couple of years per the 3 year contract starting from the 2021-2022 season. Mr. Hedin stated that RYHA will host several different tournaments including Regions in 2023, RYHA will not host a girls tournament. Mr. Hedin reviewed game suspension guidelines stating 1st offense is a 1 game suspension, 2nd offense is a 3 game suspension, 3rd offense is D9 meeting and hearing with disciplinary action. Mr. Hedin also reviewed that Rochester will host a checking August 24th, 2022 and a defense clinic on August 28th. Mr. Hedin discussed a new pilot program for girls U9 through U13, Mr. Hedin states the details are very limited at this time.

WEBMASTER - Jeremy McJunkin

Absent

BOYS UNIT – Robb Wiedrich

Mr. Wiedrich discussed how to move forward with the yearly, bi-yearly RYHA newsletter, options discussed about having this on the RYHA webpage. Mr. Wiedrich stated there is a need to fill the vacancy of the Try Hockey For Free and recruiting position. Dates for upcoming events reviewed, RYHA board members will assist with the needs of these events. Mr. Wiedrich states that the 2022-2023 RYHA registration will open August 1st and end August 30th. An in person option was discussed, potentially to be held on August 29th for 1 hour. Mr. Wiedrich is working on a calendar to be available to members with important dates.

GIRLS UNIT- Kasey Cummings

No Report

MITES/SUPERMITES REPRESENTATIVE – Aaron Getchell

No Report

HOCKEY ADVISORY - Doug Zmolek

No Report

RECRUITMENT -

TOURNAMENTS – Rob Cothorn

Mr. Cothorn states that the tournaments registrations are open. Mr. Cothorn reminded the board that the Founders Cup will no longer occur, other tournament options in Rochester are being looked into.

BOOSTERS – Patrick Murphy

No Report

BUILDING COMMITTEE - Mark Hickey

No Report

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Sarah May and Mrs. Christine Bauer attended the board meeting, they presented an academic excellence program that they would like to do for RYHA. This will promote and recognize players that maintain academic excellence. This helps to reinforce that academics are a key role the ability to play sports in high school. Options of recognition will be identified including recognition from coaches and in newsletter updates. Patches could be designed and created for these players. Mrs. May & Mrs. Bauer will be the leads on this new program. Motion was made to start this program with unanimous approval from the board.

OTHER

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