

RYHA BOARD MEMBER MEETING MINUTES
January 18th, 2023
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ATTENDING BOARD MEMBERS:

Tom Stewart – President	Andy Cousin – Past President	Corey DuBois – President Elect	Shawn Hookey – Secretary	Josh Fernholz – Treasurer
Rob Cothorn – Tournament Director	Mark Hickey – Gambling Manager	Andrew Forliti – Gambling Director	Kasey Cummings – Girls Unit Director	Robb Wiedrich – Boys Unit Coordinator
Doug Zmolek – Hockey Advisory		– MN Hockey Representative		

NON-ATTENDING BOARD MEMBERS:

Patrick Murphy – Boosters Director	Aaron Getchell – Mite Unit Representative	Tim Gerlesberger - Operations Director	

RYHA MEMBER AND NON-MEMBER ATTENDEES:

Kathy Heightland	Caryn Rooney	Ed Staiert	Jeremy McJunkin	

RESOLUTIONS BY THE BOARD

PRESIDENT’S REPORT – Tom Stewart, Corey DuBois, Andy Cousin
 No Report

SECRETARY’S REPORT – Shawn Hookey
 December 14th, 2022 minutes were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT & FINANCE COMMITTEE – Josh Fernholz

Mr. Fernholz reported that RYHA is still on track to meet the projected budget. A private scholarship donation was made to RYHA recently.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

GAMBLING COMMITTEE – Mark Hickey – Andrew Forliti

Gambling for November 2022 activity summary, tax return, allowable expenses, February 2023 budgets were presented and approved. Mr. Hickey states RYHA is in good standings. RYHA had yet another strong month of gambling. Mr. Hickey updated the board regarding a prior debt still owed by a restaurant that went out of business. Funds allocated to RYHA were taken and not returned. There will be a court date with further information in March. The policy regarding gambling site donations was reviewed. An update to adopt a policy on financial donations will be made for up to a 15% donation and will require board approval. A motion was made with a second motion, a unanimous approval was had by the board.

OPERATIONS UNIT – Tim Gerlesberger

Absent – per messages between board members a request for a financial donation from RYHA to cover some costs of an inflatable igloo for the RYHA Outdoor Hockey Day was discussed. It is stated that in the Mites budget there should be allocated funds available for this. Mr. Getchell will be contacted.

MAHA – Tom Stewart

No Report

WEBMASTER - Jeremy McJunkin

No Report

BOYS UNIT – Robb Wiedrich

No Report

GIRLS UNIT- Kasey Cummings

No Report

MITES/SUPERMITES REPRESENTATIVE – Aaron Getchell

Absent

HOCKEY ADVISORY - Doug Zmolek

No Report

RECRUITMENT –

TOURNAMENTS – Rob Cothorn

Mr. Cothorn states he needs help running end of the season tournament. Mr. Cothorn will send out communication to the membership on how to sign up. Mr. Cothorn states tournaments have gone well this season, only a couple remain. It was stated that the Shannon Cup Tournament is the largest in recent history, and that the championship rings have been a huge success.

BOOSTERS – Patrick Murphy

Absent – Mr. Fernholz states that final numbers for pizza fundraising sales were overall lower than previous years, however gift cards and buyouts were much higher. Additional options for fundraising was discussed. It was noted that over 60 families did not sell or do the buyout options.

BUILDING COMMITTEE - Mark Hickey

Mr. Hickey states he will have a meeting with the county and Graham Arena staff regarding the first steps on a new training facility for RYHA. Mr. Hickey reminded the board that the old speakers till mounted in the arenas will be removed this summer when the ice is removed, also that the new benches should be installed in Graham 2 & 3 the end of January. Mr. Hickey stated that funds for the May Jacobs grand has been approved.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

OTHER

Rink managers from the Rochester Recreation Center were in attendance to discuss the need for new boards on the north rink at their facility. It is noted that the original boards still standing are made of wood and are rotting as well as continued mold growth that has to be dealt with frequently. It is noted that city funds recently were used to replace the roof as well as updates to the pool and gym. Currently there is no projected funds available for new boards. It has been noted that the sub floor is raising as well, it is hoped that with the repair of the sub floor that the boards can be replaced also. It was discussed as an option as well to take boards from Graham arena if a rink has them replaced and use those older boards from Graham at Rec. The Rec staff will also discuss obtaining funds from other renters of the ice. The time table to have this done would be the summer of 2024.

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