

**RYHA BOARD MEMBER MEETING MINUTES**  
**March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023**  
**Tavern 22**

**ATTENDING BOARD MEMBERS:**

Tom Stewart – President	Andy Cousin – Past President		Shawn Hookey – Secretary	Josh Fernholz – Treasurer
Rob Cothorn – Tournament Director	Mark Hickey – Gambling Manager	Andrew Forliti – Gambling Director	Aaron Getchell – Mite Unit Representative	Kasey Cummings Girls Unit Director
Patrick Murphy – Boosters Director	Robb Wiedrich – Boys Unit Coordinator	– MN Hockey Representative		

**NON-ATTENDING BOARD MEMBERS:**

Corey DuBois – President Elect	Doug Zmolek – Hockey Advisory	Tim Gerlesberger - Operations Director	

**RYHA MEMBER AND NON-MEMBER ATTENDEEs:**

Kathy Heightland	Jeremy McJunkin	Tina Daniels		

**RESOLUTIONS BY THE BOARD**

PRESIDENT’S REPORT – Tom Stewart, Corey DuBois, Andy Cousin  
 Mr. Cousin addressed the request for a trophy case update. Mr. Cousin states bids have been sent out, 2 of the 3 companies expressed interest in the project. No additional information was available at this time. Mr. Cousin will continue to communicate with the board as this project advances.

The RYHA Sportsmanship Committee discussed with the board recent significant issues and concerns that have been investigated within RYHA.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT – Shawn Hookey**

February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023 minutes were approved. Mr. Hookey reminded the board of the upcoming board of directors' elections and appointments. Details of positions this year were reviewed, the membership has been made aware of the positions available. The 2023 elections will be Thursday April 13<sup>th</sup> from 6:00pm to 7:00pm located at the Rec Center lobby. The 2023 appointed positions were reviewed, these have been posted and made available to the membership as well. The appointment meeting will be held during the monthly board meeting in May.

**TREASURER'S REPORT & FINANCE COMMITTEE – Josh Fernholz**

Mr. Fernholz reported that RYHA is still on track to meet the projected budget.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**GAMBLING COMMITTEE – Mark Hickey – Andrew Forliti**

Gambling for January 2023 activity summary, tax return, allowable expenses, April 2023 budgets were presented and approved. Mr. Hickey states RYHA is in good standings. RYHA had yet another strong month of gambling.

**OPERATIONS UNIT – Tim Gerlesberger**

Absent

**MAHA – Tom Stewart**

No report

**WEBMASTER - Jeremy McJunkin**

No report

**BOYS UNIT – Robb Wiedrich**

Mr. Wiedrich stated he will continue to investigate additional options for possible website changes. LiveBarn hardware will be updated at the local arenas. Mr. Wiedrich will be ordering the approved items through May Jacobs. Mr. Weidrich will be collecting feedback from team coaches at the end of this season. Mr. Wiedrich praised multiple RYHA teams that advanced to regions.

**GIRLS UNIT- Kasey Cummings**

No report

**MITES/SUPERMITES REPRESENTATIVE – Aaron Getchell**

No report

**HOCKEY ADVISORY - Doug Zmolek**

absent

**RECRUITMENT –**

**TOURNAMENTS – Rob Cothern**

Mr. Cothorn states starting next season tournament weekends could go from 7 weekends to 4, and making each tournament a "level" tournament consolidating levels of play into a weekend. There could be a date change for the Shannon Cup as well.

#### BOOSTERS – Patrick Murphy

Mr. Murphy states there are still 35 players that have not completed the fundraising for this season. Mr. Murphy will send out communication to these families. Mr. Murphy will be coordinating a focused group tasked to improve the fundraising options in RYHA.

#### BUILDING COMMITTEE - Mark Hickey

Mr. Hickey states there is no further information on the proposed training facility, or how this option could affect the updated boards at Rec Center.

#### OLD BUSINESS

#### NEW BUSINESS

#### OTHER

Mrs. Tina Daniels was present to discuss racism and diversity in RYHA and youth hockey. After several situations that occurred this season with racial discrimination occurring Mrs. Daniels would like to see RYHA and the community create better awareness of these ongoing issues in youth hockey.

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