

White Bear Lake Area Hockey Association

Gambling and Board Monthly Minutes

February 08, 2023

Attendees:

Board Members:

GAMBLING MEMBERSHIP MEETING

1. Call to order (Chad Marquardt)
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Gambling Report (Chris Olson)

Balance in account today **\$1,320,800**

Allowable Expenses (March 2023)

- Routine

Lawful Purpose Expenditures (March 2023)

- Routine (City of Vadnais Heights Taxes)
- Routine (City of White Bear Lake Taxes)
- Routine (City of Maplewood Taxes)

Player Appreciation Party

Date will be Saturday, March 18th 1pm at Doc's Landing. There will be games, prizes and free hotdogs, chips and cupcakes (while supplies last) for all White Bear Lake Hockey players and their families.

Bingo Hall – Update

In May, I presented a Bingo Hall business opportunity, which included a Business Plan, Comparable Report and Expenses it was presented to the Board and Membership. At that time, it was discussed, voted on and approved unanimously.

As part of the presentation an “Expense Report” was included where compensation was listed for the Gambling Manager and a Bingo Hall Assistant Manager. WBL Hockey took possession of the Bingo Hall on January 1st and myself and the assistant manager have been working based on the fact that compensation had been approved. To date, myself and the assistant manager have been denied payment for the work we’ve performed.

Also, part of the presentation that was included in the “Business Plan”, states, the “Gambling Manager is responsible for the overall control of the Bingo Hall operations”. At this time, I have been instructed to stop working on the bingo hall. The construction of the bingo hall is now being overseen by a Board Member. This has not been voted on or approved by the membership. The Bylaws are not being followed.

Had I been allowed to do my job and open the bingo hall as planned; it would have been opened on March 1, 2023. Because of the delays, WBL Hockey will potentially lose over \$500,000 to a million dollars in sales (depending on when it now opens). Plus, expenses that are incurred, such as the rent in the amount of \$16,500, that is due monthly.

The Bylaws are also not being followed in regards to the Gambling Manager being a Board Member. White Bear Lake Hockey’s Bylaws state that, “the Gambling Manager will serve on the Board in a voting capacity on gambling related issues and in a non-voting capacity on all other association matters”. This Bylaw is not being followed.

As the Gambling Manager part of my job duties is to protect the integrity of WBL Hockey’s Charitable Gambling operations and to do what is in the best interest of White Bear Lake Hockey’s Charitable Gambling. In doing my due diligence I am trying to make sure all aspects of the gambling operations are followed, including Minnesota Gambling Control rules and statues, along with the WBL Hockey’s Bylaws.

4. Adjourn

MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

1. Call to order (Chad Marquardt)
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of Monthly Meeting Minutes - January 2023
4. Member Forum
5. Treasurer’s Report (Open/Eric Johnson)

1. General: \$474,889.35
2. Rink Fund: 1,068,220.89
3. Goalie Credits Issued Feb 7, 2023
6. Vice President of Business Operations Report (Brett Maas)
7. Vice President of Hockey Operations (Todd Wanka)
 1. Tournament committee plans for 23-24 season.
8. President's Report (Chad Marquardt)
9. D2 Representative's Report (Joel Starke)
 1. D2 Playoff Brackets are out
 2. PWC Playoff Volunteers
 3. D2 Feb Meeting will be Feb 26th after all playoff games are completed
10. Director of Administration (Matt Ryan)
 1. Huge shout out to Nick Anthony on the Mite Winter Blast. Did a great job getting it all together and juggling schedules with the cold weather.
 2. Non parent coaches for 23-24. Still actively looking so please let us know if you have a good candidate.
 3. Reminder of the 24 hour rule for parents.
 4. Code of Conduct. A few reminders to parents on that.
11. Directors' Reports:
 1. Boys Director (Joe Law)
 2. Girls Director (Jason Sampson)
 1. Huge shout out to Nick Anthony and company for the Winter Blast for the Mites and 8U this past weekend!
 2. Bear Claw Classic (8U jamboree) is next weekend and will be a great time for all young 8U athletes. Shout out to Kasey Yoider and company for a great job organizing that.
 3. Mite Director (Nick Anthony)
 1. Winter Blast
 4. Boys Player Development Director (Ben Butters)
 1. Summer Training Update
 5. Girls Player Development Director (Nicole Giefer)
 1. It was National Girls and Women's in Sports Day on February 1st. I sent an email, but wanted to once again let all the players know (and their parents who are in attendance) what a commitment and sacrifice and PRIVILEGE it is to get to play sports, specifically hockey, in our lifetime. I'm hoping to find a way to celebrate this day in a bigger and better way next year.
 2. Ben updated the summer program. Also, thanks to all the parents who quickly responded to my survey regarding interest in the summer program. That information was used to help start shaping the summer program.
 3. Be on the lookout for another survey regarding intent to return for next year and at what age level. More info to follow.
 4. Summer HOME training workout plan to be distributed after the season is over.
 5. Discussions regarding team declarations for the '23-'24 have begun. When decisions are made we will notify parents as soon as possible.
 6. Junior Gold Director (Harley Greene)
12. Old Business
13. New Business
14. Adjourn