

**LAKEVILLE YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION**  
**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
**April 15th, 2009**

**Members Present:** : Jeff Atkins, Brad Atol, Mark Brown, Steve Burns, Linda Freemark, Deb Hazlett, Kent Johnson, Brent Lothrop, Jim Lunneborg, Brian McKinney, Carol Pankow, Tonyea Patterson, Todd Perry, Dave Rucki, Dan Sender, Matt Swaney, Kevin Wetzal, Bart Winkler.

**Members Absent:** Joe Bystedt, Frank Eichmann, Darren Gardner, Barb Haeg, Herb Harvey, Sherri Harvey, CJ Johnson, Buck Kochevar, Bill Monahan, Randy Schmitz, Kurt Weber, Perry Wilkinson

**Visitors:** Steve Papacek

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Carol Pankow at 7:30 pm.

**Secretary's Report:** Carol Pankow

**Motion** by Mark Brown to approve the minutes of March 11th, second by Brent Lothrop. Motion carried.

**Motion** by Carol Pankow to approve the Annual Board Notes of March 31<sup>st</sup>, second by Todd Perry. Motion carried.

**Speak Out to the Board:**

None.

**V.P. of Development-**Bart Winkler

Bart is currently working with Greg Vincent on transitioning.

**V.P. of Operations-**Mark Brown

All level meetings held March 23-24. Common themes discussed were buying outside ice, fair play program, bad ice, working ice time better with types of teams matching up, and possibility of developing a one time ice schedule. The necessity of conducting player evaluations was also stressed. Most coaches indicated they liked the extended 75 minute ice time versus 90 minutes. All teams had 1-2 bad ice times during the year. Some teams did purchase additional ice at better times. Every team had 1-9:45 pm practice (4 teams had 2). Every team also had one or more 9:15 practice times. The Mite group wanted more ice time at the Hockey Development Center.

A question was asked if ice time could be resold. The answer is no. Kent indicated that the city is open to discussing this during the upcoming contract renewal/negotiation. Additionally, parents or other groups are not currently included under the LHA insurance if ice time is resold.

One item to add to the goals for next year is not skating girls with the boys.

Discussion was held regarding using early ice time for Mites, Squirts-others. Other associations are using before school times. The high school was previously approached about doing this and was not receptive. One idea is to survey coaches and parents for input. This would need to be resolved by July 1<sup>st</sup> before the new contract is signed. The HDC will get more information to present at a future meeting.

**V.P. of Administration-**Brent Lothrop

Brent attended the District 8 meeting. The vote on the residency rule did not take place. Dave Rucki will attend the April 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting with Brent.

**Equipment-**Four teams still need to return equipment. A number of miscellaneous jerseys were dropped off at the rink. Goalie equipment will be returned over the summer.

**Communications-**The newsletter went out early April. Another edition will be published sometime in mid-summer.

**Technology-**registration still needs to be finalized.

**Ice Time**-Kevin is done with last season and approved the last invoice. He needs a calendar for season start up to share at the May meeting. Tonyea is working with him on this. Tonyea and Kevin are also working on the coordination of the away tournaments so there is less impact on home ice time scheduling. Level directors should let Tonyea know when tournaments have been secured with the pertinent details-date-time-location.

June 1<sup>st</sup>-team profile numbers come out.

**Registrations**-Due to a state law, coaches cannot fill out an online background check. They must be on paper.

**Warm ups**-Some discussion held regarding warm up options. The association does not want to be in the apparel business. One option is to have individuals purchase the warm up pieces they need each year as their child grows. If you need something you get it, otherwise you don't. Brent is checking into a possible online vendor where parents could then purchase items needed. A question was asked if warm ups could be warmer with a lined pant or jacket? The current style does not have that option. Brent will get an RFP out for vendor's response and present options to the board.

**Gambling Report:** Todd Perry

**Actual Income and Expenses for March 2009**

LHA Gambling	MTD Mar 09	YTD Mar 09
<b>Gross Receipts</b>	\$96,366	\$286,568
<b>Prizes paid</b>	\$76,620	\$228,096
<b>Other Income</b>	\$4,366	\$76,899
<b>Total Profit</b>	\$5,110	\$76,664
<b>Cash Balance</b>	N/A	\$118,828

Todd reported that bingo was up in March. He is trying to work out bingo logistics with the racetrack as they are currently open 1 day per week. Shortages noted on the financials at the Old Piper are taken out of the bar rent paid by LHA. Since the Red Fox is run by LHA employees, their shortages directly impact the gambling budget. March's actual shortages were higher than usual at the Red Fox. The checking account balance is at \$118, 827 and some money will be moved to a money market account. Todd reported that activity has been slow at the Chart House. Since there are no expenses at this location, it doesn't impact the association. Todd Perry made a **motion** to approve the actual income and expenses for March 2009, second by Mark Brown. Motion carried.

**Budgeted Income and Expenses for April 2009**

Todd reviewed the budgeted income and expenses for April 2009. Todd Perry made a **motion** to approve the budgeted income and expenses for April 2009, second by Steve Burns. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Kent Johnson

Sponsorship-Jim Lunneborg introduced Steve Papacek as a new volunteer helping him with sponsorship. Jim discussed the importance of volunteerism. He suggested a variety of ideas including tying financial aid to volunteer hours, developing a volunteer coordinator positions, selling late hours, "chuck a puck" between periods at the games.

Kent's main goal is to come up with a fundraiser that parents can start implementing now that will help with next hockey season's fees. He will be putting something on the website to get ideas from the membership. Linda and Tonyea volunteered to help Kent with the fundraiser ideas and options will be presented at the next board meeting. Some other fundraising ideas discussed were a Texas hold 'em event, Pan-O-Prog event, and a silent auction.

Kent reviewed the March 2009 LHA financials. The concession stand has a profit of \$20,000 year to date.

<b>LHA Financials</b>	<b>MTD Mar 09</b>	<b>YTD Mar 09</b>
<b>Gross Income/ Receipts</b>	\$3,719	\$932,121
<b>Net Income/(Loss)</b>	-\$20,749	\$25,001
<b>Total Checking/Savings</b>	N/A	\$195,685
<b>Concession's Profit</b>	\$1,086	\$19,606

A **motion** was made by Kent Johnson to approve the Treasurer's Report, second by Mark Brown. Motion carried.

**President's Report:** Dave Rucki-President Elect

Dave discussed the priorities import to him including increasing volunteerism in the association, "going green" at Ames and reviewing the current bond terms.

**Other Business:**

**Motion** to adjourn made by Mark Brown, second by Dave Rucki. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted by Carol N Pankow, LHA Secretary*