

LAKEVILLE HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Aug. 10, 2011

Members Present: Marcus Anderson, Kevin Boland, Mark Brandt, Nick Branson, Mark Brown, Steve Burns, Janelle Kahn, Wendy Haroldson, Rob Gale, Jake Enebak, Karen Mellott-Foshier, Barb Haeg, Scott Johnson, Chris Kohlbeck, Jim McGlade, Bryan Mohr, Mark Olsen, Steve Papacek, Tonyea Patterson, Dan Riley, Chad Schumacher

Members Not Present: Joe Bystedt, Buck Kochevar, Marcus Ludtke, Brent Lothrop, Tim Poehling, Jeff Shimota, Randy Schmitz, Kurt Weber, Kevin Wetzal, Natalie Darwitz

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by Mark Brown at 7:06 p.m.

Secretary's Report: Mark Brown/Rob Gale

Mark Brown made a motion to approve the July Minutes, seconded by Dan Riley. Motion carried.

Mark Brown made a motion to approve the Minutes from the Special Budget Meeting that was on Jul. 27, 2011. Seconded by Jake Enebak. Motion carried.

Special Items: Mark Brown

Mark Brown made a motion to appoint Janelle Kahn as volunteer coordinator, seconded by Tonyea Patterson. All present voting members approved Janelle's appointment.

Mark Brown made a motion to appoint Rob Gale as Secretary, seconded by Jake Enebak. All present voting members approved Rob's appointment.

Speak out to the Board: No members spoke out to the board.

Gambling Report: Mark Olsen

Mark Olsen distributed the charitable gambling fiscal report YTD figures through June 2011.

Gross Receipts:	\$2,092,976.50
Prizes:	\$1,641,686.00
Net Revenue:	\$451,290.50
Charitable Contributions:	\$95,000.00
Total Profit:	(\$32,116.98)
Checking Account Balance:	\$89,453.61

Mark Olsen distributed the charitable gambling fiscal report YTD figures though July 2011.

Gross Receipts:	\$186,133.50
Prizes:	\$144,757.00
Net Revenue:	\$41,376.50
Charitable Contributions:	\$47,500.00
Total Profit:	(\$38,107.99)
Checking Account Balance:	\$37,644.71

Mark Olsen distributed the budgeted income and expenses report for August 2011.

Mark Olsen reported on an anonymous blog alleging improprieties with gambling and fundraising funds by some past and present board members. After discussion and careful examination of the allegations, it was determined that these anonymous allegations were unfounded and unsupported.

Mark Olsen also reported that they had to relieve an employee of their duty due to suspicion of theft.

Mark Olsen made a motion to approve the June and July reports, seconded by Jake Enebak. Motion carried.

Mark Olsen made a motion to approve the budgeted income and expenses report for August 2011, seconded by Kevin Boland. Motion carried.

Administration: Brent Lothrop was not present

Equipment: Chad Schumacher reported that he received 13 boxes of jerseys from a sponsor (Degree). They will be used in the Mite Program for the 2012-2013 season. The models and prices for warm-ups will be the same as last year, with the added option of a small North or South patch for an extra \$6. He also noted that the warm-up sizing and ordering dates will be Sept. 10, Sept. 24, and Oct. 15. Members will not be able to order warm-ups at Westwood this year, so all orders have to be in to LHA by Oct. 15.

Ice Director Update: Kevin Wetzel was not present.

Communications: Karen Mellott-Foshier reported that all flyers for schools need to be submitted at least three weeks prior to the desired release date. The next In the Crease Newsletter will feature new board members. Bio and photo is needed by Aug. 24. The handbook changes need to be completed prior to opening registration and sending email blast. A reminder of registration dates was already posted on the site.

Technology: Marcus Anderson reported that once the handbook notes were approved, he had minimal programming to ready the site for live registration on Aug. 19.

Volunteer Coordinator: Janelle Kahn requested the old registrations be deleted from the system to start out the new season.

Tournaments: Jeff Shimota was not present.

Registrar: Tonyea Patterson reported that once the handbook changes were agreed upon and posted, registration would start on Aug. 19.

Treasurer: Barb Haeg

Barb Haeg reported that she settled the outstanding spring ice bill for mites with Ames. July financials were submitted in the financial meeting prior to the board meeting.

Fundraising Update: Wendy Haroldson reported that she has been in contact with Steve and Tami Hobbs for ideas and that there will not be a golf fundraiser this year. She also reports that Westwood Sports donated cards containing three free skate sharpenings to LHA for the upcoming season.

Sponsor Update: Steve Papacek reported that there is still no sponsor for the Mite league.

Sponsorship Packaging: Steve Papacek distributed an outline for the sponsor packages available that detailed sponsorship levels and the benefits available.

Development: Tim Poehling was not present.

Head Coach: Kevin Boland reported on the new requirements for USA Hockey Coaching certification. Coaches can only obtain one level each year. They are now required to take an online class and obtain a certification for the level of hockey they will be coaching (peewees, squirts, etc.). The cost of this extra certification is \$10. LHA is also required to hold a USA Hockey Coaching Certification Clinic this year.

A-level head coaching announcements from Kevin Boland pending tryout results:

North Squirts: Putter Hanson

South Squirts: Chad Schumacher

North PeeWees: Brett Okeson

South PeeWees: Troy Mertens

North Bantams: Bill Schommer

South Bantams: Mike Dahlberg

North U10: Matt Mattis

South U10: Merlin Ravndalen

North U12: Tony Winieki

South U12: John Saufferer

North U14: Corby Manes (pending)

South U12: Larry Crosby (pending)

Jr. Gold: Scott Orrey

Player Development: Jake Enebak had no new issues to report .

Operations: Scott Johnson

Scott Johnson reported that he is the process of finalizing a goalie program for the upcoming season. After the handbook changes are made, he wants the level directors to familiarize themselves with the new process. The parent-at-large program will be continued for this upcoming tryout session.

Level Director Updates:

Bryan Mohr reported that the PeeWee level had all tournament requests sent out.

Jim McGlade and Dan Riley were looking for tryout ice times and schedule for the Squirts and U10s. Jim McGlade also needed several checks sent out to hold tournament registrations.

Mark Brandt reported he had been getting questions about what ages were appropriate to register a child for Mite Prep. Discussion on the board was that kindergarten and occasionally preschool was a good rule of thumb.

Chris Kohlbeck requested to have an Intro to Girls Hockey Clinic again this year. Last year's clinic was a success and netted around 15 girls. It would need to be held after the High School tryouts (Oct. 31).

Special Item-Changes to the LHA Handbook: Mark Brown

The board discussed the proposed changes to the LHA handbook. Numerous changes were unanimously approved to be posted to the website by Aug. 15. One exception, the section titled "Overview of Player Evaluation Process" (pages 12-13) was approved pending further amendments before the Sept. 14 LHA board meeting and will be reviewed then. Mark Brown was also going to contact the District 8 Director for clarification on waiver rules.

President's Report: Mark Brown

Mark Brown reported that LHA has named Brent Lothrop as its District 8 representative.

Kevin Boland will contact the district concerning the Coaching Certification Clinic.

Junior Gold will be participating in the All Metro League. Albert Lea was added this year.

Rochester will be in the Bantam C league and away games at Rochester will be required.

Tabling Welcome Back Week for now.

Level directors will need to come up with a program to call eligible kids right before and during tryouts that had not registered this year, but had played in previous years. The goal is to get as many to come back to LHA as possible.

Motion was made by Mark Brown to adjourn at 9:17 p.m. Seconded by Scott Johnson. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Rob Gale.