

**LAKEVILLE YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
November 11 , 2009**

Members Present: Jeff Atkins, Brad Atol, Brett Belschner, Mark Brown, Steve Burns, Frank Eichmann, Linda Freemark, Barb Haeg, Herb Harvey, Deb Hazlett, Julie Hokeness, Kent Johnson, Brent Lothrop, Liam McDonald, Brian McKinney, Bill Monahan, Carol Pankow, Tonyea Patterson, Todd Perry, Rhonda Rasmusson, Dave Rucki, Dan Sender, Matt Swaney, Bart Winkler

Members Absent: Joe Bystedt, Sherri Harvey, CJ Johnson, Buck Kochevar, Randy Schmitz, Kevin Wetzal, Kurt Weber, Perry Wilkinson

Other: Robin Lundberg, Chris Bye, Toby Patterson, Pat Chuinard, Tom Oberg

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Bill Monahan at 7:04 p.m. President Monahan then turned the meeting over to President-Elect Rucki to run.

Secretary's Report: Carol Pankow

Motion by Carol Pankow to approve the minutes of October 14, second by Frank Eichmann. Motion carried.

Speak Out to the Board:

Tom Oberg presented a spreadsheet to illustrate the inequity in the ice distribution for time prior to 8 am and after 8 pm. He asked that something be done to rectify the inequity that has happened since the start of this season. He also requested that the board continue to look for ways to bring in non-parent coaches at the Bantam A-B levels. Suggestions included targeting kids just out of college and LHA alumni.

Pat Chuinard introduced himself and stated his interest in the Association Head Coach position.

Kent Johnson asked if anyone got back to the individual that spoke out at the October board meeting. Bart indicated he spoke to Mr. Bohlin.

Gambling Report: Todd Perry

Actual Income and Expenses for October 2009

LHA Gambling	MTD Oct 09	YTD Oct 09
Gross Receipts	\$118,937	\$1,016,567
Prizes paid	\$96,706	\$799,783
Other Income	\$1,956	\$100,084
Total Profit	\$5,737	\$118,906
Cash Balance	NA	\$46,302

Todd reported that gambling exceeded budget for gross receipts by \$4000. The total net profit was down due to higher payouts. Todd made a **motion** to approve the income and expenses for October, second by Bill Monahan. Motion carried.

Budgeted Income and Expenses for November 2009

Todd reviewed the budgeted income and expenses for November 2009. Todd Perry made a **motion** to approve the budgeted income and expenses for November 2009, second by Frank Eichmann. Motion carried.

Rhonda asked Todd about the rules regarding the mandatory fundraiser/raffle. Todd will research and report back at the December meeting.

V.P. of Development-Bart Winkler

Bart discussed the Association Head Coach position and asked to make a nomination of Pat Chuinard as the Association Head Coach. It was explained that the nomination needs to be made by the President. Bill indicated he was not in a position to nominate someone at this time. A question was asked regarding who is currently carrying out the duties of this position. Bill and members of the HDC are filling the roles at this time. Dave told Bart the motion idea would be taken under consideration. Bart expressed his concern about this position going unfilled.

Matt brought up the concern that there are people on the ice who are not certified coaches. Level Directors asked to be notified of any situations where this is happening.

V.P. of Operations-Mark Brown

Mark reported all the mite teams are formed. Jr. Gold try-outs are coming up in two weeks. The Level Director's gave updates. Frank reported that he did receive three requests for post evaluation score reviews. Liam reported that the mite preps are squared away. Linda asked him to forward the coaches cards, background check forms and team rosters. A suggestion was made for an email reminder notice to all coaches about wearing a helmet at all times per MN hockey rules. The notice should also include a reminder that kids MUST wear neck guards with no exceptions. This requirement is part of the LHA insurance policy and must be adhered to. Brian reminded everyone that coaches at the Mite level need to remember that development is the primary goal. Brad brought up a situation where parents want to spend \$80-\$100 on spirit wear. Per the handbook, there are guidelines in place that have limits of team spirit wear at \$25. Dan thanked everyone for their help. Deb asked for clarification on the strategy for the Development Director position and their role. Matt mentioned an issue with adding a B2 team at the last minute regarding tournament sign up.

Bill was also notified that stick handling is not allowed at Ames in the hallways . There can also be no more running by teams around the rink. Running drills on the steps is still permitted. Level Director's were also told to email coaches and remind them that the coaches need to be the first people on the ice. There must be adult supervision on the ice at all times. Doors must also be closed when the ice is being resurfaced.

Treasurer's Report: Kent Johnson

Kent presented the October financials.

LHA Financials	MTD Oct 09	YTD Oct 09
Gross Income/ Receipts	\$53,009	\$480,755
Net Income/(Loss)	-\$62,421	\$162,779
Total Checking/Savings	N/A	\$348,254
Concession's Profit	\$2,953	\$2,953

Kent made a **motion** to approve the October financials. Second by Frank Eichmann. Motion carried.

Kent reported that the accountants are currently conducting the 08-09 audit. This should be completed by December 15th.

Rhonda reported that 80 families participated in the oil card fundraiser. A total of \$18,000 was raised that went back into family accounts to offset the cost of their hockey. Raffle tickets are also distributed and will be collected on December 15th. Rhonda also brought forward a proposal for a photographer that would take pictures of games at a team's request for a cost of \$60. There would be over 500 pictures of all the kids placed at an online spot for access. \$10 would be returned to the association. Rhonda was given approval to proceed with finding photography

services for the tournaments. Rhonda also proposed a NHL alumni skate against the LHA coaches. There would be a gate fee for the game and tickets sold for a social event afterwards. Rhonda was given approval to proceed with putting together a plan for the alumni skate and present back to the board in December.

Kent reported that zero dollars have been raised to date on the giving site. He looked into the Amazon motion and determined it was already part of the giving site so that was not moved as a separate fundraiser. Linda suggested putting a reminder in the newsletter for members to use the giving site when they do their online Christmas shopping.

Steve has received several renewals and sponsorships are up 2 ½ times over last year's numbers at this same time.

Kent made a **motion** to have an audio recording of the board meetings placed on the website, second by Bart Winkler. Motion carried (8 yes, 5 no).

Kent made a **motion** to approve up to \$750 for audio recording equipment, second by Bart Winkler. Motion carried (8 yes, 5 no).

Kent did not bring forward the motion on having Amazon.com as part of the website for fundraising purposes. His research showed this site is part of the current Giving Site.

V.P. of Administration-Brent Lothrop

Ice Director report-Brent distributed a handout from Kevin regarding the ice scheduling and draft process.

Technology-Jeff Atkins made a **motion to add the following wording to the E-mail Privacy Policy** in the Handbook. Second by Frank Eichmann. Proposal to add the following section to the Handbook, on page 4, following the LHA . By-laws section:

E-Mail Privacy Policy

The LHA strictly prohibits the unauthorized use of members' e-mail addresses by LHA members for any means of solicitation. The use of LHA members' e-mail addresses is solely for the purposes of communicating LHA business and as such should be treated as confidential and private. The LHA Board reserves the right to send sponsor advertisements using the internal email notification list. LHA members' e-mail addresses will never be rented, sold, or distributed to any sponsors or outside parties. Motion Carried.

Jeff also asked about password protecting team calendars. After some discussion, it was decided to not move forward on this item..

President Report: Bill Monahan

Bill Monahan distributed a handout regarding the tryout results and suggested we measure how well the process went this year. Perceptions would be documented from the player, coach and parent point of view.

President-elect Report: Dave Rucki

Dave distributed a proposal for an adult social night to be held on Saturday, November 21 from 8 to midnight. No LHA funds would be expended and Dave has sponsors lined up to cover all costs for the event. Dave a made a **motion** to authorize LHA to sponsor an LHA party and proceeds would be dedicated to the Hockey Development Fund for Board authorized expenditures, second by Mark Brown. Motion carried.

Dave proposed a Breakfast Club for kids that would be led by Gus Barger. This would include a 10 week session 2 times per week in the early mornings. The total cost for the ice is \$1537.60 and would be paid from the Face Off to Fall Hockey fundraiser with no additional costs to parents.

This session would be geared to Mites, Squirts and the U-8's. A **motion** was made by Bill Monahan to authorize the LHA to purchase 10 weeks of ice for a stick handling program which Lakeville Hockey would allocate \$1600 from the development fund, second by Frank Eichmann. Motion carried.

Other Business:

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Carol N Pankow, LHA Secretary