

Minutes of ERYHA Board of Directors Monthly Meeting 09.18.2024

GAMBLING MEETING

Call to Order Gambling Meeting

Called to order @ 6:50 PM

Board Members Present

Eason **	Miske *	Freitag *	Fritch *
Possin *	Miller *	Juntunen *	Remick *
Tukey *	Sharratt *	Jansen *	

Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting

MOTION to approve:

SHARRATT

SECOND: FREITAG

MOTION CARRIED UNOPPOSED

Gambling Manager Monthly Report | Desiree Hillman

Information for August 2024

Bootleggers Gross Receipts	\$476,922	Prizes	\$420207	# Games	101
Sammy's Gross Receipts	\$189,424	Prizes	\$173,965	# Games	40
McCoy's Gross Receipts	\$135,224	Prizes	\$121,465	# Games	27
BWW's Gross Receipts	\$21,288	Prizes	\$18,400	# Games	6
Topsy Chicken Gross Receipt	\$9,490	Prizes	\$8,091	# Games	2

Bootleggers Deposits	\$58,063
Bootleggers E-Tabs	\$41,657
Sammy's Deposits	\$19,403
Sammy's E-tabs	\$26,680
Sammy's Bingo	\$1,086
McCoy's Deposits	\$14,716
McCoy's E-tabs	\$20,672
BWW Deposit s	\$3,116
BWW Etabs	\$14,837
Topsy Chicken Dep	\$1,132
Topsy Chicken E-tabs	\$5,534

Total Deposits for everything: \$214,264

Checking Account Balance: \$149,663.10

Monthly Report:

(Aug 2023 and Aug 2024)

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Bootleggers Gross Receipt was down 3%
Sammy's Gross Receipt was down 5%
McCoy's Gross Receipt was up 17%
BWW's Gross Receipt was down 28%
Tipsy Chicken Gross Receipt was down 3%

*Tipsy is planning on opening the new location October 15. I contacted the city and I have to start the permit process all over again because they are nontransferable. So we probably not have our permit by the time it opens.

Lawful Purpose | Allowable Business Expense

MOTION to approve September allowable expense

SHARRATT

SECOND: FREITAG

MOTION CARRIED UNOPPOSED

MOTION to approve \$50,000 Lawful Purpose

POSSIN

SECOND: FRITCH

MOTION CARRIED UNOPPOSED

MOTION to approve platinum level sponsorship of high school hockey boys and girls teams at a cost of \$1000 each

SHARRAT

SECOND: FREITAG

MOTION CARRIED UNOPPOSED

Adjourn Gambling Meeting @ 7:03 PM

MOTION to approve:

REMICK

SECOND: FRITCH

MOTION CARRIED UNOPPOSED

SEPTEMBER 2024 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Call to Order Monthly Board Meeting

The monthly membership meeting of the Board of Directors of the ERYHA was called to order by Ryan Eason @ 7:07 PM. Quorum present 10 of 10.

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Welcome, Attendance, and Introductions

Welcome to the ERYHA Board of Directors monthly meeting for September 2024.

Board Members Present:

Eason **	Sharratt *	Remick *	Brandt	Haney
Possin *	Freitag *	Helm	Rustad	Stone
Tukey *	Juntunen *	Palumbo	Westgaard	Hernandez
Miske *	Jansen *	Gatzke	Bauer	Schley
Miller *	Fritch *	Jaremko	Klebs	

* Voting Member ** Voting Member in Tie Breaker

Others Present:

Crystal Sweet	Bailey Bengtson	Angela Bosshart	Barry Smith
Kim Reilly	Sue Theisen	Toby Bosshart	

Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting

MOTION to approve:

FRITCH

SECOND: MISKE

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Open Mic

- Bailey Bengtson, Crystal Sweet, Kim Reilly, Angela and Toby Bosshart, and Lynn Bauer brought forth concerns regarding lack of third team for Junior Gold this season.
 - Discussion included:
 - Impact from ice rate increases and gambling impacts to the budget
 - Estimated number of players eligible for Junior Gold this season, as well as the uncertainty in how many players will register to play
 - Proposed solution from the Board that's been discussed to maximize number of players is running heavier rosters. This can be challenging for coaches and consideration was given to the cost relative to playing time.
 - Junior Gold represents 10% of the membership. This was a difficult decision but have to do what's best for the majority of the membership.
 - If growing volume of teams at nearly every level puts pressure on ice allocations, that brings concerns around how this will be handled in the future as the association continues to grow.
 - Future of the outdoor rink to increase access to ice. Weather isn't guaranteed and City has not yet approved use of the land for this year. Would need a flatter spot in order to get a cooling system to help avoid weather constraints.
 - Concerns on decision being made after Board meeting, and the documents online posting at J Gold director being a voting member.

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- Board confirmed that ERYHA will help place players who don't make the Junior Gold teams into other programs.
- Board acknowledged that the motion can be overturned at any time as more information is known.
- Anoka is meeting to discuss hosting a Junior Gold team. Board has offered assistance in anything needed to support a Junior Gold team skating in Anoka.
- Opportunities for buying from other arenas, however ERYHA has in good faith decided to buy ice solely in ER to support the facility. Other arenas offered not ideal ice times and/or offered prime rates for non-prime times.
- Opportunity to retro fit the Fieldhouse into a third rink. When reviewed 4 years ago it was a \$5M cost, plus the need for an additional Zamboni.
- Junior Gold Director to reach out to families with a survey to understand volume of players that intend to register to help get ahead of how many players we'll need to find spots for.

President | Ryan Eason**

- D10 President's Meeting
 - New coach in chief – Sara Reiberg
 - New game lengths
 - Final team declarations are due Oct 3rd
 - No ref requests on Sept 30 – Referee Meeting
 - Roster sign-offs will be Oct 27 at 10 am in Anoka
 - U12 B2 – only 4 teams in D10 – league is getting moved to D5. We host D2 AA Bantams/PeeWees and now will also host D5 at these levels within D10.
 - J Gold declarations due Nov 4th – 14th (grace period for levels)
 - U15A – 90 min game lengths, with timeout, no OT, with a resurface
- City Council Meeting
 - Sent follow-up email last week from the meeting attendance last month
 - Mike Westgaard attended meeting on Monday, his update from the City Council meeting was:
 - Staff is now complete with new managers throughout the facility.
 - Relationship with City Council had been positive until recently.
 - Next few weeks will be difficult.
 - Bar is now open upstairs.
 - Concessions are open every weekday at 2pm – 8pm on weekdays/9pm weekends and weekends 9-9.
 - New concerns were brought up from the City that were not previously brought to ERYHA.
 - Pipe and drape requirements are being required for tryouts vs paper. Sportsline Photography is going to let us borrow their supply. We will need to move pipe and drape between tryouts, and will need more time for set-up.

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- Heather offered additional pipe and drape in the Cornerstone by the penalty box (the hidey-hole).
- Communication has been tough so trying to work towards stronger communication in both directions.
- PeeWee update with Junior Gold in Anoka:
 - They are having 33 skaters and 10 goalies for two teams, so will need to rehome PeeWees. With the addition of a sixth peewee team, trade off with J Gold assistance
- Scholarships:
 - Met ahead of this, made some decisions, need more info for others.
 - Balance for scholarships is getting lower. Instead of ear-marking money for scholarships, we could lower or waive fees.
- DJ at Sammy's:
 - Pitched in with boys/girls booster club as token of appreciation.
- Ace Coordinator
 - Got rid of it and duties were transferred to President. Duties include coach communications to ensure roster and CECs are completed. Mike Possin to take this on.
- Filming for The Association will take place on November 30th (all day)
- TBH Contract Proposals:
 - Three options proposed and discussed via email. Money in budget from Fransico

MOTION to increase Director of Player Development's pay by \$10k to support more staff, and continued use of dryland space and weight room.

- REMICK
- SECOND: JUNTUNEN
- MOTION CARRIED UNOPPOSED

Vice President* | Mike Possin

Treasurer* | Amanda Tukey

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Balance on 08/31/24 - General Fund	\$ 191,157.61
Outstanding checks - General Fund	\$ (64,174.00)
Balance	\$ 126,983.61
Balance on 08/31/24 - Gambling Acct	\$ 122,500.00
Outstanding checks - Gambling Acct	\$ (2,500.00)
Balance	\$ 120,000.00
Savings account as of 08/31/24 is:	\$ 101,834.80
Balance of ERYHA Funds on 08/31/24 was:	\$ 348,818.41

Items to consider

General Fund Outstanding Checks

Tournament Fees	\$ 6,800.00
Geared Up (Jerseys)	\$ 53,244.00
Coach Pay	\$ 4,130.00
GF Outstanding Total	\$ 64,174.00

Gambling Acct Outstanding Checks

Coaches Pay	\$ 2,500.00
GA Outstanding Checks	\$ 2,500.00
Outstanding Summary	\$ 66,674.00

Registrar* | Frank Miske

- 511 currently registered, anticipate right around the same if not more as last year
- Mites – currently filtering through regs that are outside ISD728 boundaries
- Concerns about families leveraging school waivers to register but not playing.

Secretary* | Kristin Miller

- Board meetings:
 - Location change for remainder of 2024. Would need to request a permit for 2025 due to no contract.
- Team Photos:
 - Travel Teams: October 22nd in the Field House
 - Mites/U8/J Gold/U15 – pending, trying to find a date that works for both Sportsline and the Fieldhouse; may need to consider alternative locations
 - City will not be allowing for half field rentals next year, so will either need to move photos or rent the entire field
- Tryouts:
 - Party room downstairs has been secured for our use during tryouts.
 - We have secured a Team Genius subscription for this year's tryouts, which will streamline the scoring and make shuffling groups much quicker.
 - Level Directors met to discuss scoring and determine scoring parameters.
 - iPads have been set-up with Team Genius for evaluators to use. Will plan on having extras charging in the party room as the batteries don't last as long in the cold rinks.

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- We will do paper check in and reconsider mobile check in next year.
- The assessment is set-up in the system and being tested. Squirts, Peewees, Bantams, U10 and U12 have been loaded into the system, including tryout jersey numbers and skate groups for the first few sessions.
- We have drinks and snacks available for evaluators, and Ryan secured some order forms for food from concessions when meals are needed. Concessions will be paid out every Sunday.
- Jayne has set-up EMTs
- Document Updates:
 - Still working to finalize the updates. Please pop in and make any comments re: edits. If you need more time, no problem, just let me know.
- Set-up of team pages:
 - Jess has the schedule ready. Plan on digging into this during tryouts. LD's, please send me what teams you are planning for.

Girls Director* | Chad Jansen

- U8's – 30 registrations (5 girls playing Mites, 8 girls from last year not yet registered)
- Sent emails to all the girls from Little Elks last year
- U8A, U8B, maybe a second U8B – won't impact ice allocations
- Last year had all girls team that played with D Mites, parents brought concerns up about this and would like to explore playing other U6 teams.
 - Newer skaters can participate in Little Elks.
- Retention of players has been high
- Coaches are set for U8 and U10.
- U10 – 30 skaters and 2 goalies. U10A, U10 B2
- U12 group is smaller this year, 25 skaters and 3 goalies
- U15 group has 37 girls registered (incl 4 goalies) – some are expected to go to HS teams. Staying connected with the HS coaches to help forecast teams. D10 is struggling with U15 teams.

Mite Director* | Brian Fritch

- 146 mites, already have them in groups
- Pricing for new pads – bigger pads are more than double. \$2,000 for another full set of black pads. 6-8 weeks turn time.
 - Need a better storage solution.
 - Can also look for opportunities to have them fixed, possibly replace zippers with velcro
- Squirts using Mite goalie equipment – need to also review ordering more goalie equipment.

MOTION to order another set of pads at the cost of \$1982.86.

- FRITCH
- SECOND: REMICK

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- MOTION CARRIED UNOPPOSED

Squirt Director* | Tim Freitag

- 80 registered players (includes 8 goalies) – planning for 6 teams
- Evaluators are in place, ready for Friday

Peewee Director* | Josh Juntunen

- 81 total players right now, could be up to 83 (includes Goalies)
- Team predictions with six teams: 2 B2, C, 2B1, A, AA
 - Can have 10 days to play D10 A teams to check competitiveness, and if we decide not to have an A team – could run upper and lower B1 teams. This has been done in the past at Bantams.
- Need to find one more tournament, joined waitlists to be notified
- Will send an email regarding Friday tryouts, and the parade re-routing traffic.

Bantam Director* | Kurt Remick

- Tryouts set-up. 8 skaters recently registered.
- Full teams.
- Team predictions: AA, B1, (2) B2
- AA Coaching staff is set

Junior Gold Director | Kris Helm

Fundraising* | Carolyn Sharratt

- PCA Session Sign-Ups: 50 for Oct 8, 77 total
 - Can send another email on this
 - Need more coaches signed up
 - Will need volunteers for check in
 - Players can attend with their parents

Volunteer Coordinator | Chris Rustad

- Volunteer check in during tryouts. Sheets can be held in the party room.
 - Put volunteer check in at the bottom of the stairs (similar to Squash)
- Security 10-20 min in advance of the time for pipe/drape
 - One per rink, will check in within the tryout room
- Will add volunteers to master schedule
- Need a new assistant – have 5 names, will message the group for feedback
- Three open dibs for the weekend

Equipment Manager | Michelle Brandt – report emailed

- Travel jerseys are here and sorted.

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- CCM cannot deliver the socks...this is the same scenario as 2 years ago. They have some of them stuck on a cargo ship and said they will not deliver the rest. Bill Givens has found a source that can have socks to us by mid October. They look really similar to CCM and colors match so I'm going to move forward with that. Mites socks are not affected.
- The 6th PW team jerseys will be ordered in the morning.
- Tryout jerseys for PW and Squirts are in coaches storage room. Please put empty bins and any unused jerseys back in there and I'll pick those up this weekend. Bantam and Girls TO jerseys will be moved into that room the day before tryouts start.
- I'm working on getting little elk jerseys ordered with an updated logo.

Equipment Manager Asst. | Jayne Sherratt

Arena Commission Rep | Mike Westgaard

Ice Scheduler | Jess Milless – report emailed

- All Preskate/Tryout Schedules are done (including Jr Gold, Mites, U8)
- Blocking off all dates for Game scheduling over the next week or two. LD's please send any date blocks you know of now for teams (besides tournaments).
- Practice Schedule is done through Oct. 20th. Will post as soon as teams pages are up and teams are made.
- Little Elks 1st session of dates are done and posted. I'll work on 2nd sessions as soon as I finish game scheduling.

Goalie Coordinator | Mike Gatzke

Little Elks | Heather Palumbolding

- Registration needs to be set-up. Reg is ready, just need details to open it.

Rostering | Kelley Klebs

Director of Development | Ben Jaremko

- Tryout plans have been provided to Level Directors (pdf and video formats) for use during sessions where Ben is unable to assist on-ice. Keep kids moving. If you have questions on anything reach out.

Tournament Coordinators | Cassie Stone, Deanna Hernandez

- Holding U8 spot
- Bantam AA – need more teams
- HS girls ice time - Saturday during Barn Burner JV HS girls game scheduled – hoping to switch so JV has the night ice.
- Craft Fair during the Barn Burner – can the City help manage traffic/parking constraints
- Vendors are set-up for tournaments, concerned about HS girls games impacting this. Need to meet with new facility managers to navigate this.

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- Working to submit D10 forms for the Mite tournaments.

Referee Coordinator | Marlin Haney

Game Sheet/Team Manager Coordinator | Lynn Bauer

- Question on Locker Room Monitors – confirmed that coaches will serve as LRM's for the season.
- Working to set-up meeting for team managers

Adjourn Board of Directors Meeting @ 10:28 PM

MOTION to approve:

MISKE

SECOND: TUKEY

MOTION CARRIED UNOPPOSED

POST Board Meeting Discussion/Motions – GroupMe

September 26, 2024

MOTION to move up a second year U10 player to U12.

MOTION: JANSEN

SECOND: FRITCH

MOTION CARRIED by vote unopposed