

March 2025 LFYHA Board Meeting Minutes – 3.17.2025

PRESENT: Kari Houle, Megan Schulte, Lynn Houle, Robin Pohlman, Don LaBorde, Brittany Cook, Andy Petersen, Matt Poepping, Heather Brill, Kimberly Hilmerson, Staci Stoerzinger, Trent Schmidgall, Chris Dobis, Jason Brown, Barney Czech

Call to Order: 5:27pm

1. Approval of Agenda

- a. Motion to Approve Agenda: Heather Brill
Motion 2nd: Kim Hilmerson
All in Favor – No Objections – Agenda Approved

2. Secretary's Report – Megan Schulte

- a. Approval of February Minutes: Heather Brill
Motion 2nd: Kim Hilmerson
All in Favor – No Objections – Motion Approved

3. Treasurer's Report – Lynn Houle

- a. BMO Checking:
 - i. Ending Statement Balance as of: 2/28/2025
\$16,601.64
 - ii. Ending Register Balance as of: 2/28/2025
\$16,601.64
- b. Mid MN FCU Checking:
 - i. Ending Statement Balance as of: 2/28/2025
\$24,403.59
 - ii. Ending Register Balance as of: 2/28/2025
\$9,806.09
- c. Mid MN FCU Concession:
 - i. Ending Statement Balance as of: 2/28/2025
\$9,113.82
 - ii. Ending Register Balance as of: 2/28/2025
\$9,004.12
- d. Concession Stand Petty Cash:
 - i. Ending Statement Balance as of: 2/28/2025
\$2,000.00
 - ii. Ending Register Balance as of: 2/28/2025
\$2,000.00
- e. Mid MN FCU Savings:
 - i. Ending Statement Balance as of: 2/28/2025
\$15,196.06
 - ii. Ending Register Balance as of: 2/28/2025

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- f. Edward Jones Money Market
 - i. Ending Statement Balance as of: 2/28/2025
\$19,266.49
 - ii. Ending Register Balance as of: 2/28/2025
\$19,266.49
- g. Other Notes: The second payments to coaches and paid board members were distributed which is the reason for a decreased balance. A breakdown of cost by team regarding ice time, tournament fees and anything directly associated with teams was completed and it was determined that we are \$75,000 short in relation to our fees. We are currently relying on funds from gambling and concessions to support this.
- h. Motion to Approve February Treasurer's Report: Heather Brill
Motion 2nd: Jason Brown
All in Favor – No Objections – Motion Approved

4. Gambling Report – Robin Pohlman

- a. Ending Checkbook Balance as of: 2/28/2025
- b. Ending balance: \$91,770.41
- c. Taxes to be paid: \$15,841.59
- d. Net profit/loss for February: \$27,962.85
- e. RTO: \$1,980
- f. Rent: Rustic: \$3,378.81
- g. Main gate: \$3,158.53
- h. Ballroom: \$171.40
- i. Other Notes: The balance dropped below \$100,000 as we paid out several big-ticket items such as raffle ticket prizes. We sold 1,750 raffle tickets totaling \$35,000 and paid out \$15,000. After the cost of the tickets, we cleared about \$19,500. Thoughts for next year – look at lowering the number of raffle tickets we order (750 tickets went unsold) and eliminating the \$50 winners. The miscellaneous expenses were \$169.68 for February which included purchasing new bingo equipment at the Main Gate. Annual cash count and annual certified inventory is coming up.
- j. Motion to Approve February Gambling Report: Heather Brill
Motion 2nd: Jason Brown
All in Favor – No Objections – Motion Approved

5. Concessions Report – Brittany Cook

- a. These numbers will change as they do not include paid workers and other expenses, but current profit is \$19,628.89 with income of \$46,599.75 and expenses of \$26,970.86. The final numbers will be presented at the annual meeting. We should look into increasing concessions prices next season.

6. Referee Coordinator's Report – Don LaBorde

- a. Nothing to report
- 7. V/P Tournament Director's Report – Andy Petersen**
 - a. Nothing to report
- 8. Scheduler's Report – Matt Poepping**
 - a. Nothing to report
- 9. Registration Report – Heather Brill**
 - a. The invoice date is April 1st and we have three families that have failed to meet their requirements.
- 10. Member at Large Report – Jason Sadlovsky – Not Present**
 - a. Nothing to report
- 11. Fundraiser's Report – Raena Wellman – Not Present**
 - a. Nothing to report
- 12. Publicity Report – Kimberly Hilmerson**
 - a. Nothing to report
- 13. Girls Coordinator's Report – Staci Stoerzinger**
 - a. Nothing to report
- 14. Coaches Coordinator's Report – Trent Schmidgall**
 - a. Nothing to report
- 15. ACE Coordinator/Committees Director's Report – Chris Dobis**
 - a. Summary on the season from PDC – struggling to “compete”, seeing this as the biggest battle when kids move up to the varsity level. We need to change our culture on what it means to compete, striking a balance on pushing kids and having fun.
 - b. Numbers for next year: 29 ice mites (not including incoming skaters), 28 mites, 30-32 squirt skaters (3 girls) and 3 goalies (1 girl), 15 peewee skaters, 2 goalies, 17 bantam skaters, 1 goalie. Decisions will need to be made at the bantam level and looking ahead two years, peewees will need to find a goalie.
 - c. 10K Puck Challenge – We will start on April 1st and end when fall camp concludes. There will be less in-person sessions this year due to last year's attendance. We need to think about what we can do for goalies, look into youth hockey covering the cost of a camp in the off season, this can be approved at the annual meeting.
- 16. Facilities Director's Report – Jason Brown**

- a. Nothing to report

17. President's New Business

- a. Nothing to report

18. Open Floor

- a. Barney Czech spoke on behalf of the MN Warriors hockey team from the St. Cloud region. The MN Warriors are military affiliated, and their mission is to bridge the gap between active and out of service vets, providing an opportunity to socialize and help form relationships through hockey. They have played other associations and their alumni such as Sauk Centre, River Lakes, Sauk Rapids and Chisago Lakes. The schedule is flexible and they play throughout the winter season. They are inquiring about an opportunity to play Little Falls alumni. LFYH is happy to help the cause and is on board to help with scheduling a game. All parties plan to be in contact this season. It was noted that Monday nights have worked well in the past for scheduling.

19. Meeting Adjourned: 6:19pm

- a. Motion to Accept: Heather Brill
Motion 2nd: Jason Brown
All in Favor – No Objections – Motion Approved

20. Next meeting will be held – Wednesday, April 16th, 2025 at 6:30pm at the VFW. The annual meeting will be first, followed by the regular monthly meeting for April.