

APPROVED



Northern Lakes Youth Hockey Association Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: 2/25/26

Time: Meeting Called to order at 5:06 pm

Board members present:

Kelly Burns

Chad Rau

Kari Horbacz

Mindy Dawber

Rebecca Olson-Ball

Tim Johnston

Tom Zabka

Cole Peterson

Dustin Schwarze

Mike Olsen

Board members absent:

Dan Yantes

Trevor Betley

Non-Voting Members:

John Engstrom

Public Guests:

Amber Anderson, Becca Kes, Brian Dawber, Mark and Stephanie Kilmer, Sarah Carr, Nate Geike, Jaime Ledin, Bryce Butcher, Ray Horton, David Gerhart, Michael Christiansen, Chris Crutcher, Jordan Aune, Nicky Zabka, Johnny Ebertowski, Amanda Johnston, Amanda Evanson

Open Session:

1. Public Comment

2. Approval of January 28th Meeting Minutes

- a. Mindy Dawber motion to approve January 28th meeting minutes with edit for HS Hockey vs. Little Falls. Second by Dustin Schwarze. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Gambling Report (Chad)

- a. Good month.
- b. E-tabs up and running at Riverside. 12 sites.
- c. Chad Rau made a motion to approve Allowable Expenses in the amount of \$157,950

with Total Lawful purpose expenditures of \$130,000 for the month of March, which includes a transfer of \$40,000 from Gambling to the General Fund. Second by Mike Olsen. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Finance Report (Mike)

- a. Gambling was good; nice month
- b. \$150,000 in assets over last year; still waiting on some ice and coach expenses
- c. Mike Olsen to check with Katie about creating an invoice with Breezy for Gamesheets

5. Facilities (Mike)

- a. Discussed locker room options with T.K (Head High School Coach)
- b. Also discussed with Joe Mclaughlin – the Crosby arena manager – chiller progress

6. Hockey Committee Report (Trevor)

- a. Nothing for this meeting

7. Equipment Report (Cole)

- a. \$2,600 left at Claftons after starting with \$20,000; will use the remaining funds to purchase mite practice jerseys and we will get billed for the additional (6 colors instead of 5 like last year)
- b. Also getting additional game jerseys
- c. Goalie gear buyouts
- d. Jersey returns
- e. Jailbreak jersey buyouts – Tough Jersey (historically ordered by Chris Boelter)
- f. Claftons game pucks

8. Communication Report (Kari)

- a. Send reminder about board applications and add a deadline
- b. Send reminder about coach of the year
- c. Need a registration set up for the banquet
- d. Bantam help for March 14 parade

9. Registration (Kelly)

- a. 80 registered for skills so far

10. Recruitment & Retention (Mindy)

- a. Girls aging out (4 total, maybe 5) – would have to go to A team if they stayed down; would need to ask District 15 director
- b. Ask question about new boy player that is aging out; only practiced and never played in games

11. Fundraising Report (Tim)

- a. If they don't want to sell the raffle tickets, they won't be in good standing and the they won't be able to register for next year

12. SafeSport (Dustin)

- a. Revisit the phones again; maybe pushing via communication

13. Other Business

- a. Breezy Rink Liner – Mindy Dawber motion to approve the purchase of a rink liner for next year. Second by Rebecca Olson-Ball. Motion passed unanimously.
- b. End of Year Banquet
 - i. Prizes – Motion by Cole Peterson. Second by Dustin Schwarze
 - 1. \$100 Play it Again Sports GC
 - 2. \$100 Pure Hockey GC
 - 3. Day on the Lake Boat Rental
 - 4. \$100 NorthStar GC
 - 5. Up to \$200 for 1 Hky IQ Stick
 - 6. Purchase 2 -- \$100 Lettermen GC
 - ii. Mite Stick Handling Balls
- c. Regions Travel Expenses
 - i. Approval of travel expenses for Phil Martin – meals/hotel; he has been at practices and games; motion to approval travel expenses for Phil, Dan, and Muller (all 3 coaches) by Tim Johnston, Second by Dustin Schwarze. Motion passed unanimously.
- d. HS State Hockey Tournament Expenses – Dan Yantes motioned for \$1,000 donation to support the HS Team. Second by Cole Peterson. 7 Yes, 0 Nay. Motion passed.
- e. Hockey Camp Scholarship – Bible Camp
- f. Team bonding funds

The next meeting will be on March 25th at 5pm at Lakes Tavern.

Motion by Mindy Dawber to adjourn. Second by Mike Olsen. Motion passed unanimously.