

# Blackhawk Hockey Association

## Board Meeting

November 13th, 2024

7:00pm

**Board Members Present:** Allie Carroll, Rachel Spence, Billy Herman, Scott Kaiser, Mike Brandenburg, Ryan Anderson, Lucas Trickle, Brent Rolling, Candace Sykora, Amanda Sprague, Scott Peavey, Andrew Carlson (Attend via phone for part of meeting), Jodi Volgren (Attended via phone for part of meeting)

**Board Members Absent:**

**Others Present:**

**Call to Order:** 6:59 pm

**Secretary's Report:** NA

*Motion to approve secretary's report*

*Motion: Amanda Sprague 2<sup>nd</sup>: Rachel Spence All in Favor - Passed*

**Treasurer's Report:**

1. Checking as of 10/31 = \$151,562 (includes capital improvement fund of \$22,900) This is down \$34k from last year. However the Pizza deposit was made in October last year and wasn't made until November this year. It was around \$34k so it will be around the same.
2. Bank Loan 10/31 = \$12,398

*Motion to approve financial reports.*

*Motion: Lucas Trickle 2<sup>nd</sup>: Billy Herman All in Favor - Passed*

### Old Business

**State Tourn Move Req:** We will still be hosting U14. Not switching. Superior ended up forfeiting their state tournament bid. They will get first priority next year.

**Restrung Nets:** Purchased? Need someone to string them? The nets have been purchased and are in the compressor room. We need to get them re-strung. Brad Spence could weld the crack in the frame of the net. Brian Greg "Ultimate Coating" for quote for paint.

**Gaming License:** Update from Scott for this years license. We are now updated and they are printed off. We should be good until 12/31/25 both the class A and class B licenses.

### NEW BUSINESS

**Theft:**

Discuss criminal complaint and info received from Victim Witness and upcoming court date. We discussed the 19 page Criminal Complaint that was filed by the St Croix County District Attorney. Al Weeks has been charged for the theft and for obstructing a police officer. His first appearance is scheduled for 11/21/24 at 1pm and it is open to the public. We went over the charges and information provided. We discussed the potential options we have about waiting for the judicial process to unfold or to take some action now to limit access while the process is ongoing.

All 13 board members were in agreement to ban him from the rink and remove Key Fob access until the case has been settled effective immediately. Winter hours will TBD and we will discuss further. They have completed approx. 13.5 winter work hours so far.

**E. Boeseneilers:**

Broke his collarbone early September; reinjured it 3 weeks ago. Vote on reimbursing. The first time he would be back is early December and that would be light contact. He hasn't touched the ice yet this year and won't play hockey this season.

*Motion to Reimburse registration and work hour checks*

*Motion: Allie Carroll 2<sup>nd</sup>: Billy Herman All in Favor - Passed*

**Zam Studs:**

Mike B is leading this and looking for approval on cost. We have new studs in the tire. They ended up being \$471. New studs in the front and some in the back. We have extra in the zam room.

*Motion to pay \$471 for new studs*

*Motion: Candy Sykora 2<sup>nd</sup>: Billy Herman All in Favor - Passed*

**Zamboni:**

The family had a trust and they donated \$70k for the Zamboni. There was supposed to be a sign put on the Zamboni. It was supposed to say that it was donated by Thomas Stockert/Kim Rasmussen. Billy will run point to get the wording and measurements to ensure that gets added to the Zam. There was also an agreement that the Lisa Hillsbury photography board would be up indefinitely. They aren't asking for a new board, but would like to put it back up if it is laying somewhere. If we can't find it we will likely put something on the dasher boards or create a new sign as we want to make it right for them. Some miscommunication occurred since the donation occurred and the transition of the different board members in that time.

**Consent to Accept:**

McKenna Monack and Reed Manske

*Motion to accept McKenna and Reed into our association, they were granted releases from their respective association*

*Motion: Scott Kaiser 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mike Brandenburg*

*All in Favor - Passed*

**Next Board Meeting:**

For the next board meeting we would like to discuss ideas to improve the rink. We have some funds available. In the future for fundraisers, like the golf event, if we specify exactly what the money is going towards we might get more donations since the members can see the direct results from the activity.

**COMMITTEES**

**Building & Grounds:**

Door Quote Updates - They are coming tomorrow to measure and quote will be on Monday. This is who the village used to do other doors. The company that put up the gutters didn't put fascia on, but a company did slap on the gutters.

**Coaching:**

**Concessions:**

The new TV is installed and working. There are two remotes now as the programming for the universal remote isn't working. We need to try and turn off the TV's if we see them on. They should only be on when the Concessions are open.

**Fundraising:**

Pizza Fundraiser was a success. Only one family forgot their order but it got handled and everything got taken care of. We did not track who did not do a buyout check, the previous organizer indicated that wasn't their responsibility. We'll need to set that up for the future. Candy is starting the winter raffle. Ryma was giving until the 15th to provide info for donors and we will need to wait on that. It will take 1 day to format and print. We will plan to have them handed out before Christmas and do the raffle in February. We can't legally mandate that members sell the raffle tickets.

*Motion to exclude high school players from the raffle*

*Motion: Scott Kaiser 2<sup>nd</sup>: Lucas Trickle*

*All in Favor - Passed*

*Motion for \$3,300 for the raffle. \$300 for printing and \$3,000 for payouts.*

*Motion: Allie Carroll 2<sup>nd</sup>: Scott Kaiser*

*All in Favor - Passed*

**Mites & Membership:**

They have decided not to have a separate Mites checking account. We can set up in Square for 3-3.5% and can track what was brought in.

**Scholarship:**

**Finance:**

**RFYA/BHA Girls Co-Op:**

AJ has been at the RF Skate and Skills and went well.

No contact or follow up has been made regarding the status of the committee. There are two incidents about RF contacting us. One was regarding a coach running drills that could have potentially injured players, which to our understanding the drill was being run per the direction of the head coach. This has been worked through with the team liaison. There was also a concern due to a U16 scrimmage last week with WEHL. That is still being worked through as it sounds this is more about miscommunication and scrimmages are common to occur when a team has solo ice. Ultimately it occurred in the River Falls rink and something that RFYHA has to work through. No Blackcat players have expressed any concerns that we are aware of.

**Scheduling:**

**Communication/Website:**

### **Board Liaisons**

**D2:**

**Tournament Coordinators:** Successful Squirt tournament. 5 teams played in A and 5 teams played in B. Both BHA teams placed 2nd. Over \$3,000 in profit for raffle and concessions that is after the \$1,000 for start-up. We do have to revisit the date the tournament is held in the future as it was tough to get it filled and only 1 or 2 teams paid full price. It would be beneficial to find a Tournament Coordinator replacement now, as Deanna will be done after this year, so they can start training. Ryan A to send an e-mail to ask the BHA for any volunteers.

**Mite/LPH - Scott Kaiser:**

**U10 - Amanda Sprague:**

**Squirt - Rachel Spence:**

**U12 - Mike Brandenburg:**

**Pewee - Scott Peavey:**

**U14 - Andrew Carlson:** Made aware of 1 issue - The U14 coach has asked for the practice plan 24 hours ahead of time since they do joint practices with the U16 team. In addition a BHA parent coach has made recommendations on practices, but they ignore it. These concerns have been worked through. There is benefit to having a joint practice but it is causing friction at times.

**Bantam - Brent Rolling:**

**U16 - Ryan Anderson:**

**Next Meeting:** December 11th, 2024

**Adjourn:** 8:50 pm

*Motion: Allie Carroll 2<sup>nd</sup>: Candy Sykora All in favor - passed*