

NHA BOARD MEETING

March 19th, 2025

In Attendance:

Maegan Storm, Steve Murray, Victoriya Lemke, Brittany Ellerbusch, Teresa Sparks, Heather Poepping, Jamie Jindra, Brittney Hubbard, Derek Docken, Adam Steffl, Rachel Trnka, Michael Gillomen, Nichole Schmidt, Matt Tschida

Called meeting to order at 6:06 pm

Approve February Minutes

February Financials

- Sent this morning – reviewed
- Final ice bill remaining and \$25,000 donation to arena
- Fiscal Year ends April 30th
- Audit and 990 has been completed and is waiting to be signed by Sarah

Boys Hockey Ops Update

- Meetings will be monthly with a cadence
- Next meeting is next Tuesday (season in review, planning for 25-26 seasons, morning skill sessions, goalie sessions).
- Potential Coach of the Year Award in addition to Mahchek Award

Possible resource collaboration w/FHA beyond the Co-Op

- Matt the Faribault President and Steve met and discussed collaboration beyond the girls co-op.
- Potential opportunity to share ice for goalie sessions, skating sessions, and sharing fees at a 50/50 split.
- There are connections for grants for THFF and for a bulk equipment purchase.
- We would collaboratively work if we wanted to move forward.
- Board agrees some areas of collaboration would have too many skaters on the ice, but would be open to the possibility of vetting the goalie clinics and other items that may arise.

Ability to Donate to Scholarship Fund at Registration

- Box on registration to donate to scholarship fund – is this a possibility?
- Teresa said she can add this to registration, and we can see how it goes.

Gambling Manager Role: eliminate or transition to Events Coordinator

- Do we add role or eliminate.
- Board discussion on this being a committee vs board position or non-voting board position.
- Vote called to move Gambling Position to Non-Voting Event Coordinator and At Large to Non-Voting Position. Motion to approve: Heather, Steve Second, unanimously approved.

Annual Meeting Prep: Open Positions, Handbook Updates, Bylaw Updates, Notifying Association of Annual Meeting

- Edits being made to Handbook and Bylaws – will be sent to review via email and approved at next board meeting.
- There are 2 open positions – email will be sent out Sunday for openings and Annual Meeting.

Try Hockey for Free

- Dates have been sent out tentative July 31st 5-6:30 and/or Aug 4th 4:30-6

St. Olaf EMT Club Donation

- St. Olaf EMT Club Volunteered for the Bantam Tournament – we could not pay them due to it be a volunteer club.
- Ask is, can we donate the amount we would have paid the to their club.
- Nichole says this has been done in the past and that there is money left in the tournament budget for this.

Arena Update (Chris Kennelly)

- Project going out to bid early April and back mid-April for approval on May 6th City Council meeting.
- Fundraising is currently at \$3.75 raised including land – our commitment is \$2 million and has been met. Working on additional fundraising to fund remaining dollars for Dry-Land and Bleachers.
- Enebeck Construction would like to make a substantial donation to the project in the form of project work (grading to spec of project) on the land before handing over the Deed to the City of Northfield. They have done this in the past with Lakeville Schools and it was successful.
 - The cost of the work would be recognized and credited back to the Association's donation.
 - Needing vote to proceed with moving forward.
 - Motion to approve: Heather, Brittney H second, unanimously approved.

Adjourned at 8:01 pm

Next Meeting: Annual Meeting April 16th at 6:00 pm – reoccurring every 3rd Wednesday at 6:00 pm.

Next Meeting Discussion: