

NHA BOARD MEETING

June 19, 2024

In Attendance:

Sarah Belcourt, Nichole Schmidt, Jon Paulson, Maegan Storm, Steve Murray, Victoriya Lemke, Brittany Ellerbusch, Adam Steffl, Teresa Sparks, Derek Docken, Jamie Jindra, Brittney Hubbard, Michael Gilomen.

Called meeting to order at 6:05

Approval of May Minutes

Arena Vote

- Passed 6-1 in favor of a new arena.
- More to come later this year and EDA in January.
- NHA Needs to donate \$100,000 towards fundraising to get the project moving forward. Will need to finalize by next meeting.
- Fundraising will begin immediately. Any ideas are welcome.
- Sale of the current arena funds will go towards the new area.
- If all goes as planned new area will open summer of 2026.

May Financials- Nichole

- May 1st was the start of the fiscal year.
- Starting 2024-2025 Budget
- \$3200 vs \$2800 for tournaments increase due to cost of tournaments. This is the only change to budget.
- All other areas are being given a 2% inflation increase.
- Heather is asking if the financials can be further broken out with sponsorships being a solo line item.
- New budget will be finalized in the next week for working budget and approve at August board meeting when we have a better understanding of registration numbers.

Logo Update

- We need to decide on one or two logo's and go with it.
- We will use Raider Guy with hockey stick for Edge Tek and Champion will continue on with what he has always used.

Summer Hockey and Hockey Day Northfield

- Detroit Lakes is in for Hockey Day on December 28th.
- Detroit Lakes is meeting to discuss what teams they will have to bring to this day with what we have for teams.
- This will include the boys and girls team.
- Will need to start a committee for this to get going.

- Will look for sponsorships for 100% of jerseys.
- Summer hockey is going well. Working through budget with Nichole.
- Current number is 154 registered.
- Currently will be very close to break even.
- Will be sending out reminder for second session.
- Due to extra ice we have offered small group/skill ice every Wednesday.

NHA Scholarships

- Now allowing more scholarships for summer programs with other season sponsorships.
- \$300 cap per fiscal year for participants.
- Will NHA be willing to take on the additional 70% if a participant meets their \$300 cap.
- Wanting a board vote on whether or not we want to take on that additional funding.
- Nichole ran numbers on the potential and this would be a \$10,000 increase to NHA's funding of these scholarship programs.
- Current handbook states that the most a participant will be discounted is 50% with a dollar amount of \$0-\$500.
- After Nichole finalizes the 24-25 budget we will make a educated vote on if this makes sense for NHA to move forward with.

Fall Registration

- Registration is typically sent early July for mid-end of July release.
- Need to know if all fees are remaining the same for 24-25.
- Maegan to see if the cost of jerseys are increasing.
- Need to update handbook with current \$75 for year-round equipment rental – this fee will stay the same.
- Closing early September – will wait for next meeting to decide.

Committees

- Round Robin to determine openings.
- Addition of Event Committee

NHA Handbook Updates – Heather

- Confirming highlighted updates that was sent via email.
 - No change to target ice hours.
- Budget – answered earlier
- Sunday morning skating clinic – remains the same.
- All ice numbers – remain the same.
- Equipment- will be updated by Maegan
- Neck Guards need to be updated to required.
- Request for refund deadline currently is March 15th – voted to strike this from handbook.
- Rewording for the # of coaches per level to SQT/U10 and above.
- Secretary is responsible for USA hockey Locker Room monitor.

- Disciplinary action – need to add that parent is responsible for the fine vs the association.
- Add gambling manager duties.

Back to Hockey Day

- Do we table this to more of an informational by level meeting like what was done last year for Mini-Mites and Sr. Mites.

DJJD – Parade. We will participate this year again

THFF Day

- Need for coaches to lead the on ice portion.
- There is enough volunteers for equipment fitting and getting the kids on the ice.
- Potential need for equipment.

Equipment Update

- Neck guards go into effect August 1st – we will have an online store for this that will go out.
- Equipment turn in date will be August 12th and 13th. Need help – potential DIB hours requested for this.
- Potential dates for fitting/new rental Sept. 10th and 14th.

Golf Tournament

- 20 teams currently registered – need 10 more teams to sign up.
- Raffles are being put together – looking for sports tickets.
- Need kids to help run holes.

Webmaster Role Update

- Tim will get 10 hours of DIBs for the assistance of transitioning and has been informed.

Jim Machacek Award

- Final vote tallied for Ryan Sabyan winning this and will be presented at the golf tournament.

Docken introduces Cole Dornbusch that owns 507 Crossfit and he has time slots available to potentially work on dryland with PeeWee and Bantam levels. We would need to figure out where this payment would come from, either parents or association or combination. Focused on being more overall well fit.

Adjourned at 8:16 pm

Next Meeting: July 17th at 6:00 pm – reoccurring every 3rd Wednesday at 6:00 pm.

Next Meeting Discussion:

- **Discuss Locker Room Monitor for the season – add USA Hockey Number at registration for parents?**
- **24-25 NHA Mission and Goals**