HYHA BOD 4/13/2022 Meeting Minutes

Amanda called the meeting to order at 6:36pm

Attendance: Chris Herring, Amanda Hamilton, Chad Cole, Kari Riley, Hans Hanson, Steve Steinmetz, Shawn Preputin, Dominique Preputin, Brett Patrick, Mallory Walton, Courtney Christman, Michale Beck, Brian Albrecht, Kaare Engebretson, Jared Boyce, and Sarah Boyce.

Chad moved to approve the minutes from the March meeting. Hans 2nd the motion. Members approved.

Financials- Kaare went over the increasing costs to run the building. He is figuring we need to take out at least $30,000 out of investments to pay our upcoming loans and maybe an additional $11,000 to pay our monthly bills. We need to come up with approximately $15000 more to continue running. He discussed the fact that as our bills increase we will have to increase rates all around, kids, adults, curlers and renters. Our power bill has increased over $7000 so far this year. Due to unforeseen circumstances, we lost approximately $15000 due to missed fundraising (the fruit and cookie dough sales we normally do). We have the locker room construction remaining and the upcoming costs for the heaters, even though money was donated for that it is still an expense.

Brett made a motion to approve to pay the bills, Chad 2nd the motion. Members approved.

Rink- Shawn reported that the Walleye banquet was approaching (4/23/22). Rick has gotten a 8U family (Danielle Warburton and her husband) to clean the floors and under the bleachers. We will move the bleachers in tonight and then that floor will also need to be cleaned. Walleyes will set up on Friday 4/22/22 so that is when Shawn will move the 2 zams outside for the weekend. Saturday, they will move the tables and chairs inside and set those up. They are still planning to put all the tables and chairs back into storage on Sunday since there are no other rentals lined up at this time. That will also make room for any roller hockey/skating that may be planned in the future. Jason Loch has looked at the electrical and will be adding a couple half breakers in for 3 more outlets. Jason has spoken with Evolve to make sure that what he does will not affect anything that Chris is doing. They will be working together to get this done. Walleyes will be using the lift and plan to pay the extra $100 for its use. Chuck Wimmer has been given the wifi passward so they can process credit cards. Brett commented on the amount of work that Rick has done this year and in the past, more than we will ever fully know. Rick has some health issues and Brett spoke up to remind the board members that we will need to step up to make sure this work still gets completed this year. Rick will most likely not be able to do it. Wade Kultgen has given a quote on spray insulation for the new locker rooms. He fears a cost increase is coming. Brett asked that Shawn send a updated text to board members ASAP so a motion can be made to move forward. Several things will need to be completed before the insulation can go in.

Concessions- Michale did not have a report at this time. There are still some unpaid accounts and she will follow up on those. Dominique spoke about the point of sale system and the ability to process credit cards. We will need to update the version of software that we are running for it to work. Someone from Intuit will be calling her tomorrow to get that done and then she will proceed from there. Members agreed that the pay as we go option would be best. That plan has no monthly fee, no transaction fees, swipe/dip is 2.7%, entered in 3.5%, swipe/dip with pin is 1%. The board agrees we will add that fee to the total sales so HYHA is not paying those fees.

MAHA- Barry was not present. However, Chris and Kari had been in attendance of the last MAHA call on 4/4/22. Major discussions were about the player development camp and the Executive director position in MAHA. It is expected that the new ED will be appointed in May and hopefully begin working by the end of May. End of Year is in June this year and will be in either Butte, Helena or Great Falls. Bozeman hotels have just gotten too expensive to hold it there. Brett asked if a topic of conversation could be doing the scheduling meeting virtually again. Chris stated that it was a difficult procedure and wasn't as effective as in person. He stated that Todd would not be on board with virtual. Brett just asked that it be asked.

Referee- Nothing to report other than Chris stated he may have 2 more interested in reffing next year.

Coaching Committee- Brett really did not have a report. He does still plan on an end of year meeting with the coaches from this year just a matter a time of when and where. Applications are to go out ASAP with a June 1st deadline so that head coaches can be decided by August 1st.

Safe Sport- Brian did not have anything to report

Registrar- Kasey was not present

Fundraising- Jenna was not present but told Amanda she had nothing new

Locker rooms- We had touched on them in the rink report but there is still much to do. Insulation, Fans, Sheet rock, rubber flooring. The electrical and plumbing have been completed so far. Brett said he may try to apply for a Tourism Grant to help pay for the remaining expenses.

Girls Hockey- really nothing new. Shawn brought up the possibility of a Montana Wolves 19U Girls team if there is enough interest. Tryouts are April 15-17th in Bozeman.

Player Evaluation- A committee is forming, it may consist of Jared, Chase, Cody, Chad, Brett, Shawn, and Cody Nagel. Jared stated that the idea is to develop a model for each age group to use for player development. Players and Parents would be made aware of expectations and evaluations at the beginning of the year so that everyone would know what to expect going into the year. It would define for each coach which skills and drills for each age group to work on, it would be based on USA hockey ADM recommendations and educational source expectations. It would break down tryouts and expectations. Basically, it would be a template for the coaches to use. Brett suggested that the group be defined by the next meeting so that the committee could have the defined expectations set and ready to roll out to coaches by August. So, a committee platform should be set in May.

Lewistown Co-op- Brett and Chad had spoken to each other and are trying to define guidelines to go by so that everyone is on the same page. We would want virtual meetings and full team practices once a week, with increased interactions and communication. Coach plans would be emailed weekly to the Lewistown coaches, maybe give them access to our Livebarn so that they can watch our practices. The idea is that the guidelines would be the same across the boards to make co-oping easier. We want more involvement and travel to increase familiarity and interaction between team members rather than just playing games together. We want to help Lewistown continue to grow their program. As of now, there are 3 8U families, 1 peewee and 1 bantam. High school may have one player as well. This year they had players in Glasgow and Miles City. We want to streamline it for them. It would also work well with the player evaluation/development plan we will define for coaches this summer. Kari suggested that those players only be allowed to play on JV or B teams much like MAHA dose with Salmon, ID. The coaches in Lewistown also need a seminar, most do not meet qualifications to be on the bench at this time. Chris added that they will need a ref clinic as well.

Executive ballot- All members of the executive team stated their willingness to continue in their positions. They were no opponents. The board of directors voted in Amanda Hamilton as president, Cody McLain as Vice president, Kayla Stoner as secretary and Kaare Engebretson as treasurer.

Roller hockey/skating- Brett reported that a few U8 families (Hankinson and Karagias) were interested in running this for the summer. They are supposed to bring a proposal to the May meeting. Their idea is to have a once a week roller skating open skate and then add in hockey if they can. Mallory asked about a players ability to grow stating she would want roller hockey to help her son out with puck handling. She will be joining the group proposal to ensure that hockey is included. She also asked about split age groups which we would do but it will be based on the number of players that come. In years past we had 30+ players so we could split them but last year we did not have that kind of turn out so splitting up was difficult. Mallory was asked to define what they want to see and do for the players.

Volunteer hours- Dominique stated that she was unable to access her team dibs to total hours. She had Tami Karns also try and she also could not look it up. Not sure if something has changed. Courtney stated that Coley was trying to give her access last week and it did not work either. Amanda will ask Kayla more about this and may just have Kayla make a list.

MAHA rep- Chris and Dominique had stated interest in the MAHA position at the last meeting since Barry has opted to step down due to his other roll on the MAHA board. Brett spoke up about getting more voices for Havre in there since we are the little fish in the big pond. Chad, Steve and Hans agreed that the more people in MAHA from Havre the better. Brett moved to have Dominique as the new MAHA rep, Hans 2nd the motion. Members approved. Amanda will email Barry to let him know.

Curlers- Brett reported that they had an awesome bonspiel, the most teams ever and they were grateful to Shawn for great ice.

Team Managers- Amanda has received binders from U8 and squirt. Dominique has the high school binder. We still need the peewee and bantam binders.

Kaare added that we needed to pay the open skate workers (Erin and Delaney). Last year we paid them $15 per open skate. They worked 31 times this season. He will issue them their checks. Dominique asked about getting workers for concessions since this is a revenue loss. The members agreed that this should be something we try to get done next year. Also we need to see about getting volunteers to work open skate and concessions since expenses are so high.

Amanda asked about the meeting schedule, as to whether May was on Wednesday or Sunday. Dominique stated that June, July, August, and September were the months that were to be held on Sundays as per our bylaws. Brett added that we need to review our bylaws this summer so it is something we can discuss further.

Brett motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:13PM, Chad 2nd the motion. Members approved.

The next BOD meeting is scheduled for May 11th at 6:30PM at the Ice Dome.