

*** NRYHA Board Meeting***

Wednesday August 20, 2025 6:00 p.m. Salties

MINUTES

Roll Call - Lee, Alex, Mary, Angela, Nicole, JP, Steve

MOTION to approve agenda, Mary, Nicoe

MOTION to approve July Minutes Mary, Steve

Financials – reviewed by Annie Knutson

MOTION to approve financials – Mary, Nicole

Open Forum – Jeremy Melchert- would like to thank fundraising committee with the concert, said they did a great job

JP is wondering about open enrolling a family - only 2 are allowed per team or we are ineligible for state

Lee went to annual WAHA meeting – they want WEHL to be like HP MN, focused on growth and retention on the lower levels. U8 registration is up 10% and highest in the nation. We got a grant for Mites equipment, application for Grass Roots grant.

Homecoming youth carnival at HS they want a hockey booth.

1. Rink update – Dustin

- a. We have ice, had enough volunteers, need better communication with HS kids, open skate for kids that helped flooding, Steve suggested the association paying back Dustin for paying his son to work/subbing for HS employee with conflict
- b. Tournament went well, Dustin managed the whole weekend.
- c. Waiting for Clear Lake for bid on entryway and Zam room repairs
- d. Sept 9th 7PM – meeting for costs/usage of ice
- e. Email to Coach John Larson regarding equipment above locker rooms, and cleaning locker rooms
- f. WEHL will have a tournament Sept 4-6th in New Richmond

2. Tournaments – Sara
 - a. Just a few open teams, and has a waitlist for other groups, and booked hotels
3. Fundraising –
 - a. 1-2 weeks after we should know how much funds we made for the concerts
 - b. Tips Fri \$39, Sat \$432 cash tips, will have credit tips later
 - c. Mid Oct Kwik Trip carwash cards
 - d. 100% of net profits goes back to the association
4. Registrar—Brittany
 - a. Brittany will sent out e/m for board members- all need to finish safe sport so we can roster teams
5. Junior Gold – Coaches’ Pay Angela or Kevin 5 minutes
 - a. Voted to increase coach pay 3K and 2K
MOTION to increase the coach pay increase, Lee, Mary
6. Tiger Strength—Angela 5 minutes

Angela will follow up with Kelsey regarding approve monetary donation for participation that is requested of the association \$1500, currently have setbacks with construction,

ACTION – Angela will e/m board with updated information to facilitate discission
7. Community Outreach Committee—Sara
 - a. Ideas for promoting hockey in the community and growth, marketing, good will tour to sponsors, Hockey Day New Richmond, Open Skates, Exit Interview Surveys,
 - b. Need to keep track of their hours
8. Clerk update—Britta
 - a. HS employees, Bernicks will do vending machines – we get a cut, online store opens Sept 2nd,
9. Mites – Tim
 - a. Reached out to Coach John Larson to have HS players come and skate with Mites,
 - b. Tim will get grant for girls' team, looking to create a mite girls' team
 - c. PWHL –10 associations for 8-week program for U8 girls
 - d. Try hockey for free – 23 registrants so far, ordered USA hockey jerseys to send home

- e. GOAL program- Tim would like to hand out pucks with the Tiger Logo to participants, Tiger jerseys- will be able to keep if they sign up for hockey
- f. Mite Jam will need to be moved

ACTION – Alex will reach out to JH Larson to sponsor pucks

10. Stars—Alex

- a. Had a meeting with Somerset, waiting for By-laws requested, HS wants to have control of the evaluations, talked about having a PCDC for girls,
MOTION to have board members (Alex, PCDC) at next Somerset meeting – ability to make decisions on behalf of NRYHA – Nicole, Lee

11. D2—Matt Johnston

- a. Meetings are every 3rd Sunday, potential meeting this weekend,
- b. First wave of ice scheduling is 3rd week of Sept, need to get blackout dates,

12. Board Reps—All 5 minutes

- a. We need to declare level reps for the board
- b. Mite Level - JP
- c. Squirts - Nicole
- d. PeeWee – Jesse
- e. Bantams – Steve
- f. Jr Gold - Natalie
- g. Disciplinary Lee, Angela, Chad Furman

13. PCDC –Craig/Jeremy M.

- a. Try out dates are posted
- b. Team Declaration –

D2 Team Declarations

Squirt A => B1

Squirt B => C

Peewee A => A

Peewee B => B2

Peewee C => C

Batam A => A

Bantam B => B2

MOTION to approve team declarations- Nicole, Lee

- c. Sharp tin on wall on shooting corner needs to be fixed, and a metal beam with padding, securing netting to bottom
- d. Compensation will be same as last year for evaluators

Coach List

Matt Johnston
Michael Imgrund
Anthony Spalding
Travis green
Alex Cisneros
Keegan Blehm
Mitch Nachreiner
Kevin Alexander
Andrew Chapman
Nathan Gruber
Chris early
Lee Knutson

MOTION to approve coaches to PCDC – Angela, Nicole

14. Long Range Plan – Mitch/Angela/Mary 5 minutes

- a. Proposals from JLG and Hudson, they did Huson and Somerset -
- b. Need to decide with city before April 2026 on rink ownership

15. Adjourn Motion to adjourn Mary, Lee