

MINUTES

Rock Ridge Youth Hockey Association

Thursday June 2, 2022-Virginia | Meeting called to order by Erik Jonassen

In Attendance

President: Erik Jonassen

Vice-President: Chris Bialke

Treasurer: Teresa Simetkosky

Tournament Director: Michelle Morrison

Volunteer Coordinator: Lara Westberg

Equipment Director: Brandon Wudinich

HOC: Ryan Cobby

DISCUSSION

- **- Meeting Minutes from May 26, 2022-** Erik read the minutes aloud. Change to minutes:
 - The 218 conference games will not be district games.
 - Change of the address of Sawmill from Virginia to Mt. IronMinutes approved.

Officer Reports:

- **Vice President report**-board meeting minutes will reflect who can sign any checks to protect us as individuals. This will be in the Bylaws. All those authorized to sign checks will need to go to the bank to sign.
- **Treasurer report**-Two Harbors got back to her on what they pay their gambling manager. They pay \$800 per month to the manage and \$400 per month to the assistant. It was also discussed what Hibbing pays their referee coordinators. If we followed their process, it would equate to about \$900 per year for the RRYHA Referee Coordinator. This is just an estimated amount.
Motion made by Teresa to pay the Referee Coordinator \$2 per game per referee. Michelle seconded the motion. Motion carries with unanimous vote.
- **Secretary report**-Carrie was not at the meeting. Lara took notes for this meeting. It was reported to the board that the City of Eveleth will charge \$10 per hour for ice fees.
- **Equipment Director report**-Brandon needs to start ordering jerseys for the upcoming season. There was discussion to start with Peewee and Bantam level. Squirts and under would wait to have jerseys ordered until next year. Discussed that we need registration numbers before we could get a final amount for cost of jerseys. Brandon will get numbers on what it would cost to get jerseys for the whole association.
Erik made motion for Brandon to order Peewee and Bantam jerseys (3 sets of each up to \$25,000. Anything above that would come back to the board for discussion). Squirts and under will be tabled until the next meeting. Michelle seconded the motion. Motion carries with unanimous vote.
- **Volunteer Coordinator report**-Lara made motion to have DIBS charge of \$500 for the 2022-23 season with the checks to be cashed if a family does not fulfil their obligations for DIBS hours. Must be paid in the form of Cash or check. Teresa seconded the motion. Motion carries with unanimous vote.
Discussed putting something on our website for those with financial hardships to reach out to the President if they need assistance. It was also discussed that we would not pro-rate DIBS hours this season.

- **Tournament Director report**-discussed price for each home tournament that we are hosting (see attached handout). Michelle will set up meeting with local hotels to discuss making sure they have enough space to accommodate the amount of teams.
Brandon made Motion to approve home tournaments, registration costs and advertising fees. Chris seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.
Advertising of our home tournaments will go into the June issue of Let's Play Hockey.
Discussion of having the RRYHA set up for our home tournaments registration. Chris will talk to Davis Lamppa and Ryan Jaeger to see if they will help him get the website up and running.
- **HOC update report**-Ryan said that there have been no new applicants for the Girls Youth Hockey Director or Youth Hockey Director. He gave a brief update on coaching applicants.

Appointed Positions:

- **Gambling Coordinator**-Todd Kreibich is still interested in this position. Chris will reach out to him. This is a 3-year appointed position. Chris will ask if Todd could present his plan to us at our next board meeting.
- **Scheduler**-Erik and Teresa will meet with Davis tomorrow. Davis has stated that he wanted \$5,000 for the position. Discussed what we currently pay coaches. Discussed starting and offering \$1,500 for the year along with the possibility of adding in waiver of registration fees. Chris made a motion to approve \$1,500 and registration fees for the scheduler position. This would be evaluated on a yearly basis. Brandon seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

Bylaws:

- Went over changes that Carrie made to the drafted bylaws. The following changes were approved:
3.2: Brandon motioned to accept language change. Chris seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
3.3: Chris motioned to accept language change. Michelle seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
4.2: Chris motioned to accept language change. Brandon seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
4.6: Chris motioned to accept language change. Michelle seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
5.5: Chris motioned to accept language change. Brandon seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
5.6: Chris motioned to accept language change. Michelle seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
5.10: Chris motioned to accept language change. Lara seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
6.4 Article 8: Chris motioned to accept language change. Teresa seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
9.2: Chris motioned to accept language change. Lara seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
9.3: Brandon motioned to accept language change. Michelle seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
Chris made motion to add sub-article 10.5: Dual Signatures will be required on checks written on behalf of the RRYHA. The following elected officers to the RRYHA BOD will be the authorized signers: President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Teresa seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Committees

- Chris discussed setting up a working committee for tournaments, advertising and fundraising. This will be an ongoing discussion.

District 12 Update

- Erik attended the District 12 meeting yesterday. He announced that Districts will be held February 17-19, 2023. Regions will be March 3-5, 2023. The State tournament will be March 17-19, 2023.
- Referee fees will be going up this season. Our association can pay them more.
- No coaches at any level will be allowed to be on the ice before completing Safe Sport training. If this is not followed, there could be fines assessed to our association.
- There **must** be a locker room monitor at every level.
- MN Hockey meeting is June 25, 2022.

New Business

- Jill Westerbur will be doing Power Skating this summer. We also discussed power skating once the season starts.

- Goal tending training. We discussed who to go with for goalie training for the upcoming season. We will table this till the next meeting and ask for a request for proposals.
- Discussion about sponsoring a hole in the Rock Ridge High School Girls Hockey Golf Scramble. Michelle made motion to have a team for the scramble for \$160. Brandon seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- Tournaments. We are still working on getting teams into away tournaments. Some tournaments have not opened registration yet.
- Motion to set RRYHA board meetings the 1st Monday of each month. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to adjourn by Brandon. Second by Michelle. Motion carried unanimously.

NEXT MEETING (Special meeting)

Monday June 13nd, 2022 @ 6:30 p.m. @ ITMEC

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Rock Ridge Youth Hockey Association

Monday June 13, 2022-Virginia | Meeting called to order by Erik Jonassen

In Attendance

President: Erik Jonassen

Vice President: Chris Bialke

Secretary: Carrie Klakoski

Treasurer: Teresa Simetkosky

Tournament Director: Michelle Morrison

Equipment Manager: Brandon Wudinich

Volunteer Manager: Lara Westberg

HOC: Ryan Cobby

Approval of Minutes

Brandon made a motion to approve minutes from June 2 meeting, Lara 2nd the motion. Minutes approved with unanimous vote.

New Business

- Erik motioned to accept the bylaws as a whole, Lara 2nd the motion. Motion carries by unanimous vote. Erik will sign the bylaws and we will post them on website.
- Todd Kreibich attended meeting and informed us how the Gambling will work. See attachment.
- Jim Hunt met with the RRYHA regarding communication between the board and the MECC. Spoke about the scheduling with youth hockey, HS boys and girls, and figure skating. We talked about having monthly meeting with him regarding scheduling between the 3 groups. Ryan Cobby will find out the game schedule for HS. Also talked about the youth using the Megatron. We talked about allowing each team to use it for 2 games during the season at \$50 dollars a game. The YMCA will not be able to use the restrooms by workout areas during games. Discussed issues we have heard from the community: bathroom cleanliness, bleachers (this issue is currently on the table). We talked about holding State, District, and Regional tournaments at our facilities. Possibly getting stick holders for locker rooms and putting noise absorbers in locker rooms. Suggested maybe having Yellow Bike Coffee Co. having a kiosk in the facility also. Carrie will get a list of Board Members and there contact info to Jim. The Fire Marshal and City Inspector came through the arena and the tunnels under the bleachers need to be cleared out.
- **Vice President report:** Chris will type up Todd Kreibich's report on Gambling Information and get it to us. Luke Olson is attending meeting to talk about the Ref. Coordinator position. There will be a fundraising committee meeting Wednesday June 15, at 11:00 am at the Sugar Shack. Attachment from the fundraising meeting is attached along with the gambling information. There is another fundraising meeting scheduled for June 27th at the Virginia Golf Course. Chris and Brandon will also be talking to Steve Fingeroos about a Youth Golf Scramble.
- Luke Olson talked about compensation with the RRYHA and he offered to do the position for waived registration and no DIBS hours. Luke also said to give him at least a week to cancel or change a game. The referee pay has increased: increased +\$10 a game, after 8 p.m. +\$10, before 5 p.m. + \$10. Teresa will put a REF tab on the website and put the pay scale on there. Lara made a motion to accept his offer and Chris 2nd the motion. Motion carries with unanimous vote. There will
- **Treasurer report:** Teresa registered the Pee wee A and Bantam A team for the Burnsville tournament and got hotel blocks. She also sent checks out in the mail. Bantam A are on a waitlist for the Warroad tournament. Pee wee A are waiting for a confirmation on the Bemidji tournament. There will be (8) 10u teams and (8) 12u teams in our girl's tournament. The website is coming together nicely. Carrie will take VAHA minutes off website once they are saved. Need to double check the sponsors on the website and update advertising information. Teresa will put a tab on website for TOURNAMENTS. When teams register for our tournaments they need to pay at that time. EGHYA will cancel their sports engine account by July 1st.
- **Equipment Manager report:** Looking at buying 800-900 jerseys at \$48 a piece, roughly \$42,000, not including socks at \$20 a pair. Talked about maybe getting sponsors for the mini and mite jerseys and only ordering them one set of jerseys for each team and have them be different colors. Teresa motioned to buy jerseys from squirts through bantams and socks up to \$35,000, Lara 2nd the motion. Motion carries by unanimous vote. Michelle had made a motion to amend buying socks for the

Blue Line club paid \$150 towards Junior Gold registration. Junior Gold parents discussed some items with us, things were clarified.

- **Equipment Manager Report:** Mini/Mite jerseys are in, but the sponsors got switched on jerseys. Isaac Clapsaddles goalie pads are too small, requesting to pay for a pair of pads, Erik approved this. Inventory on blue breezers, gloves, blockers, sent to Hopkins with a \$2000 quote on Sideline Swap. Bialke is going to order “Horan” jersey. Working on getting pictures set up.
- **Tournament Coordinator Report:** The 12u girls tourney went well. There is 16 teams in the PeeWee B2 tourney. The Squirt Tourney has 16 teams (pin trading) the PeeWee A has 5 teams.
- **Volunteer Coordinator Report:** Junior Gold only covers junior gold games, no concessions shifts either. The rest of association doesn't do Junior Gold games. Carrie will send email to Junior Gold parents regarding this. Talked about managers only being required half DIBs shifts, this will be relooked at. Lara and Michelle will meet. Chris B. will send Lara a list of managers.
- **Canteen Manager:** We have made about \$7,393.75 to date and \$700 on cards. Would like to get a different safe box with drop box. The 10,000 puck hats are in, would like to do it at a varsity boys game, Need to talk to the Blue line club.
- **Scheduler:** Coaches have been scheduling Hoyt Lakes. Bantam games are running to long and need more time for ice resurface. January 15th is Skate with the Wolverines, Carrie will send an email out.

Todd motions to adjourn meeting at 8:42, Steve 2nd the motion. Meeting adjourned.

NEXT MEETING Monday Jan. 9th, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Rock Ridge Youth Hockey Association

Monday July 11, 2022-Virginia | Meeting called to order by Erik Jonassen

In Attendance

President: Erik Jonassen

Vice President: Chris Bialke

Secretary: Carrie Klakoski

Treasurer: Teresa Simetkosky

Equipment Manager: Brandon Wudinich

Volunteer Manager: Lara Westberg

HOC: Ryan Cobby & Ben Johnson

YHD: Chris Fink

Scheduler: Davis Lamppa

Arena Facilitator: Brad Scott

Gambling Manager: Todd Kreibich

Approval of Minutes

Lara made a motion to approve minutes from June 13th meeting, Brandon 2nd the motion. Minutes approved with unanimous vote.

New Business

- **Vice President report:** Chris reviewed the recap from the first meeting with Todd. Todd spoke at the meeting and explained about what we need to get going on Gambling. The paperwork has been filed. Still need to: Open checking account at Northern State Bank. We need 2 additional signatures for this so Lara, Carrie, and Todd will meet at bank Wednesday to do this; original bylaws signed by Erik; 15 members from the RRYHA need to be present for Gambling meetings to vote; Carrie will send out a mass email to all members explaining how the Gambling stuff works and that the IRS could contact them asking them things regarding Gambling; Sawmill needs to sign determination letter with their other Gambling contract; fix addresses on premise permit; use Erik's phone number for contact; Chris will talk to Ryan Jarvi regarding tax info and name change; Teresa will have to fill out affidavit for IRS name change, at least 90 days before get license. We talked about compensation for the Gambling Manager and came up with a possible \$400 per site. VAHA had already approved \$1000 per month for the Gambling Auditor. Gambling minutes need to be taken separately and clearly state all members that were present. Update on Gambling...Todd spoke with Lukas at the bank and the meeting for Wednesday was put on hold until Lukas finds out what we need to do exactly.
- **FUNDRAISING:** Chris recapped the minutes from the fundraising meetings. All BOD members got a copy. Chris explained about having a kick-off party before the season starts to get members from VAHA and EGYHA together. At the party the BOD could introduce themselves and talk about what the new RRYHA wants out of the association members. We could also do a equipment swap, have food and drinks, explain the registration process, etc. Carrie made a motion to have a kick-off party with the date TBD, Chris 2nd the motion. Motion passes with unanimous vote. We will be working on getting the Corporate Sponsor letter out for business and to see if we will get enough to sponsor mini and mite jerseys. Northern Lights Dental Care and Heavy Metal Hockey will both be Corporate Sponsors, we need 10 more. We are also giving the Girls HS team \$160/4 person team for their golf scramble. Brandon and Chris are golfing and they are looking for 2 more people.. Carrie made a motion to do a \$150 hole sponsor for the Boys HS golf scramble, Lara 2nd the motion. Motion passes unanimously.
- **Treasurer report:** Teresa supplied all the officers with the proposed budget as of now, along with what the last 2 years was from VAHA. Need to figure out what the concession costs are projected to be, expenses and income. Need to figure out registration fees sooner than later, Teresa will get a proposal together. Also, need to talk about coaches pay. Lara is going to get the budget from EGYHA from the last year. The HIPPA has advertising on the dasher boards and all around the arena that EGYHA had gotten income from in the past years, Carrie will find out what is going on with that now. Need to figure out ice time and ice time costs.

Squirts also. Need more discussion on this. Brandon mentioned selling the old Miners weight room equipment. Chris motioned to contact High School to sell weights for best value, Teresa 2nd the motion. Motion carries by unanimous vote. There are still a few pairs of blue breezers in good condition in the equipment room. Brandon motioned to sell blue breezers to Hopkins for best value, Teresa 2nd the motion. Motion carries by unanimous vote. Brandon made a motion to sell one of the old cappuccino makers for \$450, Michelle second the motion. Motion carries by unanimous vote.

- **Volunteer Coordinator report:** Talked about doing \$500 check per player for DIBS (up to 2 skaters max). There will be more games and also a canteen at the HIPP. Talked about using the larger ticket both at the ITMECC to sell apparel and hockey items.
- **Tournament Director report:** Michelle submitted the Tournament ad to Let's Play Hockey.
- EGYHA will get any info of their website that they need and then cancel their sports engine account by July 1, 2022.
- Carrie called the City of Eveleth to see if they would be willing to put money towards paying our scheduler instead of hiring their own part time person, waiting to hear back from them.
- Erik motioned to appoint Brad Scott as the Arena Facilitator if still interested, Chris 2nd the motion. Motion carries by unanimous vote.
- Chris motioned to appoint Todd Kreibich to the 3-year Gambling Manager position, Michelle 2nd the motion. Motion carries by unanimous vote.
- Michelle made a motion to pay Davis Lamppa \$5,000 for Scheduler and he has to still pay registration fees and do DIBS hours Ryan 2nd the motion. Motion amended by Michelle to pay Davis the \$5,000 which could include money given from the City of Eveleth, the Scheduler compensation will not exceed \$5,000, Ryan 2nd the motion. Motion carries 6-2 vote. Erik will reach out to Davis.
- Erik motioned to adjourn meeting at 9:30 p.m., Carrie 2nd the motion. Motion carries by unanimous vote.

Next Meeting

Monday July 11th, 2022 @ 6 p.m. @ the ITMECC Virginia.

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Rock Ridge Youth Hockey Association

Monday August 1st, 2022-Virginia | Meeting called to order by Erik Jonassen

In Attendance

President: Erik Jonassen

Vice President: Chris Bialke

Secretary: Carrie Klakoski

Treasurer: Teresa Simetkosky

Tournament Coordinator: Michelle Morrison

Equipment Manager: Brandon Wudinich

Volunteer Manager: Lara Westberg

Canteen Manager: Amanda Morley

YHD: Chris Fink

Scheduler: Davis Lamppa

Gambling Manager: Todd Kreibich

Members: Stephen Dahl, Shannon Westby, Janelle Greshner, Matt Ried, and Neil Luukkonen

Approval of Minutes

Lara made a motion to approve minutes from July 11th meeting, Michelle 2nd the motion. Minutes approved with unanimous vote.

Gambling Report

- We are stuck in account setup. The accountant needed to do some research about going about this. In order to get the gambling license we need to have a bank account set up. Todd will call and check on this again.
- We are still working on the name change, Jarvi submitted it.
- Carrie made a motion to pay the gambling manager \$400 per site, Chris B. 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote.
- Address: Rock Ridge Youth Hockey Association, PO Box 511, Virginia, MN 55792.
- Todd received the original signed bylaws
- Todd made a motion to add Carrie Klakoski and Lara Westberg to the gambling account, Michelle 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote.

New Business

- **President report:** Erik attended the meeting at Hoyt Lakes on Aug. 4th, 2022. Hoyt Lakes would like to be the host for Junior Gold again. Ice cost was brought up and unfortunately it sounds like it will not be free again. They are confident that the cost will mirror the Hipp or ITMECC costs. This will be brought up again at their next meeting.
- **Vice President report:** Kick off party August 28th, 2022 from 4-8 p.m. at the ITMECC. We will be introducing all the BOD members and the HOC. Tours will be given of the facility and the weight room. Members will be able to ask questions and we will give them the best answer to those questions. Talk about the fundraising items, cash calendar and coupon books. We will need to have a computer for registering people. Chris made a motion to have the Kick off party Sunday August 28th from 4-8 p.m., Erik second the motion. Motion passes with unanimous vote.
- **Treasurer report:** Teresa was working on registration cost and was taking into consideration of what we would take in from coupon books and cash calendar tickets to cover ice cost. Was talking about keeping coach pay around the same as last year. Also mentioned reimbursing non-parent coach's mileage and hotel expenses.
- **Equipment Manager report:** Jerseys Squirt thru Bantams have been orders. Michelle made a motion to order socks for the Squirts, Chris F. 2nd the motion. Motion passes 6-3. Chris F. made a motion to sell the extra pizza maker and cappuccino maker, Brandon 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote. Rock Ridge raised \$550 in Split the Pot at the last golf scramble. Talked about selling old hockey jerseys for \$15 at the Kick off party.

- **Volunteer Coordinator report:** Lara was still unsure about DIBS shifts. Lara and Teresa were meeting on Wednesday to figure shifts out. The Volunteer DIBS document is attached. Everyone will write DIBS checks including coaches. When coaches verify that they are coaching they will get their check ripped up or handed back. Its always hard to fill canteen shifts.
- **Tournament Coordinator:** Our tournaments are sitting pretty empty right now. Erik made a motion to drop the price of our tournaments Squirts thru Bantams to \$1,200, Lara 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote.
- **Canteen Manager:** We need new signage for the items we are selling in the canteen. Need to check on the wifi expense at the Hipp.
- Need to get invoices out for the advertising at the Hipp. Also need to change some of the signs that say “support E-G hockey, to Rock Ridge”.
- **HOC:** Tryouts; tryouts are for everyone, at their respective level. This will help ensure that the “B2’s” are divided evenly.
- **Website:** Talked about what we want to put on website regarding advertising. We discussed having an “Upcoming Events” tab. We are going to forward any emails we receive as and “FYI” to members to decide if they want to attend or not.
- **Motion** was made on Team Reach by Michelle to have all of our tournaments be a 3-game guarantee and an additional \$5 per game for tournament play Refs, Carrie 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote.
- **Motion** was made on Team Reach by Amanda to change the cash calendar amount from \$500 to \$550 in order to comply with the printed tickets, Erik 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote.
- **Motion** made on Team Reach by Michelle to pay Hockey Hub \$500 to advertise our hockey tournaments, Erik 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.
- **Next Meeting**

Sunday August 28th, 2022 @ 3 p.m. @ the ITMECC Virginia.

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Secretary: Carrie Klakoski

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YGHD: Steve Troutwine

YHD: Chris Fink

Scheduler: Davis Lamppa

Gambling Manager: Todd Kreibich

Referee Coordinator: Luke Olson

Approval of Minutes

Chris Bialke made a motion to approve minutes from August 1st meeting, Michelle 2nd the motion. Minutes approved with unanimous vote.

Gambling Report

- Todd is meeting with Northern State Bank on Monday August 29th @ 9 a.m. to open account. Lara and Carrie will go in at their convenience and get on account. Once this is all done Teresa can just transfer the money into the gambling account to get started.
- The gambling license # 94988
- The gambling should be ready to go at the Sawmill as of November 1st, 2022.

New Business

- **President report:** The HOC agreed to go with Derek Peterson for our goalies this year. As of right now the contract is written up to be a 3 year contract(2022-2025). There is 2 hours of on ice and 30 minutes off and 30 min in classroom. It consists of 15 sessions starting Oct. 17th. We would pay 5,200 annually. The first payment is due on Oct. 17th. The YGHD mentioned that the Girls High School coach may be interested in doing something with the goalies, so we discussed maybe just doing the contract with Derek for 2 years. Chris Bialke made a motion to talk to Derek about switching the contract to only 2 years, Brandon 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote. Talked about alternate dates for members to pick up cash calendar and coupon books. These dates will be Wednesday Sept. 7th from 4-7 at the ITMECC, and Wednesday Sept. 14th from 5-8 at the Northside Rink in Eveleth.
- **Vice President report:** There was 167 players signed up as of the morning of Aug. 28th. If there are any kids that need to be moved around due to birthdates, Chris Bialke has the authorization to do so. RRYHA received an anonymous donation of \$5,000 to help those families in need of financial assistance. Three families have received some financial assistance already. We agreed that the BOD should approve each family that applies for financial assistance so we are all on the same board. We should add a tab to the website for those seeking help. There are 11 sponsors that have committed to the Wolverine sponsorships. We need to collect the logos from these and get them to Brandon so he can get the jerseys ordered.
- **Treasurer report:** Teresa went over the detailed list of expenses and the money we have received so far. She is working on getting the name changed on the bank account also.

- **Equipment Manager report:** Brandon is just waiting for all the Wolverine sponsor logos so he can order the Mini and Mite jerseys. Pictures will probably be pushed out due to late jersey order. He will also be getting helmet stickers from Mesabi sign.
- **Referee Coordinator:** Luke made a motion to pay registration fees for older refs (Adults) helping with the younger refs, Brandon 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote.
- **YHD:** The HOC will be having their first meeting on Wednesday August 30th at the ITMECC. Tryouts are set and there will be evaluators ranking the kids by jersey number and on a scale of 1-4 on skills. There is no Junior Gold coach yet but there are a few people interested.
- **GYHD:** Looking like the girls will be doing a 12Ub1 and 12Ub2 team. We are hoping to get a girls 8u team started, depending on how many girls are at that level. Chris Bialke will get numbers to Steve to give him an idea.
- **Scheduler:** Davis has gotten the schedule ready up until Sept 17th for open ice. He will be meeting with the City of Virginia and the ITMECC October 1st to figure out more ice time. All the A-teams are scheduled. The B-teams will hopefully be scheduled at the District meeting. The dry land room is a go!
- **Secretary:** Carrie will get the ice schedule info on the Facebook page and also send out an email explaining how to check times.
- Erik made a motion to adjourn meeting at 3:55 p.m., Michelle 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote.
- Team Reach: Erik made a motion for the un-named to do 11 tournament shifts, 2 regular season dubs (1 must be in the canteen in Eveleth) and also write a \$500 check for DIBS this season, Brandon 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote.
- Team Reach: Carrie made a motion to move the meeting from Sept. 6th, to Sept. 12th @6pm, Steve Troutwine 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote.
- **Next Meeting**

Tuesday September 12th, 2022 @ 6 p.m. @ the ITMECC Virginia.

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Canteen Manager: Amanda Morley

Members: Paul Starkovich, Luke Greshner, Allen Erickson, Frank Roark, Kenny Husmann, Neen Irwin, and Noel Lind

Approval of Minutes

Chris Bialke made a motion to approve minutes from August 28th meeting, Chris Fink 2nd the motion. Minutes approved with unanimous vote.

Gambling Report

- Bank account is set up and Teresa is going to transfer the money to get it started.
- The gambling should be ready to go at the Sawmill as of November 1st, 2022.
- Todd met with Ann Lamppa and they discussed what software to use for gambling. The software they are looking at is GC Made Easy. The software also prepares the paperwork that needs to be sent to the Gambling Board, State of MN, and Department of Revenue. It also helps with the payroll. It cost about \$100 a month (\$50 for the paperwork part and \$50 for the payroll part).
- Todd made a motion to approve using CG Made Easy as the software to use for Gambling and \$1,800 to get started (includes equipment we need), Lara 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote.

New Business

- **President report:** There has been some questions regarding coaches jackets. In the past both VAHA and EGYHA have gotten jackets for their coaches. With the new association this would be a good idea. Teresa made a motion to reimburse coaches up to \$100 for any Rock Ridge apparel. Michelle Morrison 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote. Michelle made a motion to also reimburse board members up to \$100 for any Rock Ridge apparel, Lara 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote.
- **Vice President report:** As of Sept. 12, 2022 there is 273 registered Rock Ridge skaters. They have been loaded into USA hockey and their birth certificates have been sent to Dara Swanson. Any cash calendar stubs that get turned in need to go into the safe in the coaches room at the ITMECC until the drawing date, that way we don't lose any. We will also set up a couple dates throughout the month for people to turn in tickets stubs. Chris talked about possibly getting a car from Iron Trail Motors instead of a 4-wheeler for our raffle in the fall. We decided that we would still look into this for next year. Erik made a motion to get the 450 Polaris for the 4-wheeler raffle. Michelle 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote. Carrie will talk to Five Seasons to see if they could display the 4-wheeler at our first home tournament so people can see what they are buying tickets for.

- **Registration:** We talked about possibly having a discount for early registration next year so we can get the numbers earlier than later, especially for tryouts. We talked about closing registration soon so we know what we have for this season. Steve made a motion to close registration for those trying out for Squirts, Pee Wee, Bantam, 10u and 12u girls on September 20th. Chris Fink 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote.
- **Treasurer report:** Teresa has a lot of deposits to make. She is also going to transfer over the money for the Gambling account.
- **YHD:** There is still no Junior Gold coach. The one person that is interested wants to have an assistant coach that he can depend on. Tryouts will have 2 different sessions per level. Right now there are blocks for each level. Some kids may not be able to come to the earlier time but can make the later time. Woody is going to have to help get jerseys for all the players with a number they can wear for tryouts. May possibly need a foreman for each level to run the show and make sure everything is running smoothly. The evaluators are NOT picking the teams. Ben and Ryan will be on the ice with the players.
- **GYHD:** So far there is 20-12u girls, that includes 2 goalies. There are about 16-10u girls. Talked about maybe having an 8u team, have to see what the numbers are. Talked about how its going to work this season and how the teams will be made.
- **Scheduler:** Davis still can't schedule ice time because we don't know what is going on with the High School yet. The figure skating club still has prime ice time. There is a District 12 meeting on Sept. 28th to schedule all B level teams. Bantam A's have 28 games scheduled, not including District games. There should be roughly 4 squirt teams, 3 peewee teams, and 4 bantam teams, unless numbers change.
- **Secretary:** Carrie spoke regarding the advertising at the Hipp. She spoke to Jeremy Waldron with Extreme Signs, he is the one who does them, about updated any of the signs. He said it depends if it was a dasher board or one of the wall 4x4 signs. The wall signs to reprint would run \$175 for an existing aluminum sign. If the 4x4 is wood it would need to be switched to aluminum and cost \$300. The dasher boards would run \$240, using the old plastic. If he can keep his advertisement up he won't charge to do the switching out part of signs. Carrie made a motion to pay up to \$300 for advertisers to update their signs. Chris B. 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote.
- **Canteen Manager:** Amanda is asking that she could get some help with the canteen in Eveleth. Last year she had an assistant canteen manager to help her. There is a lot of work that is put into the canteen. Chris Bialke made a motion to make an Assistant Canteen Manager position to help Amanda out. DIBS will be waived for 1 player. Steve Troutwine 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote. Also, Amanda was looking into getting the Square for the canteen. The square costs \$1,000 for set up and then they charge .10 cents per sale and 2.07% per transaction. Talked about maybe having a minimum sale of \$5. She is also going to look another route with Clover and see what they charge.
- **Tournament Coordinator:** We should look for someone to volunteer to be in charge of Game Sheet for the season. There is a lot of games that are going to have to be put in and uploaded and rosters need to be double checked. Michelle made a motion to make a Game Sheet position available to upload all games and tournament games, and double check rosters. Also, this will include have DIBS waived for 1 player. Chris Bialke 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote. This position does NOT need to attend meetings. Also, we need to decide on tournaments. The Peewee b one is pretty much filled and the Squirt B, but the others are not. We need to decide when we are going to cancel the ones that aren't filling up.
- **Volunteer Coordinator:** We need to reach out to those that have registered but didn't do a deposit yet. Davis is also going to give Lara a couple of the Bantam games that are scheduled so she can practice putting them into DIBS.
- Carrie made a motion to adjourn meeting @ 8:10 p.m., Lara 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote.
- **Next Meeting**

Monday October 3rd, 2022 @ 6 p.m. @ the ITMECC Virginia.

MINUTES

Rock Ridge Youth Hockey Association

Monday October 3rd, 2022-Virginia | Meeting called to order by Erik Jonassen

In Attendance

Secretary: Carrie Klakoski

Treasurer: Teresa Simetkosky

Tournament Coordinator: Michelle Morrison

Volunteer Manager: Lara Westberg

YHD: Chris Fink

Scheduler: Davis Lamppa

Gambling Manager: Todd Kreibich

Canteen Manager: Amanda Morley

Equipment Manager: Brandon Wudinich

Approval of Minutes

Teresa made a motion to approve minutes from September 12th meeting, Lara 2nd the motion. Minutes approved with unanimous vote.

Gambling Report

- Carrie will scan the Insurance policy to Todd in pdf format.

New Business

- **Treasurer report:** We have received about \$1,700 from jerseys sales and selling the old machines from the VAHA canteen, \$13,750 received from sponsors so far, and \$120,000 from cash calendar, coupon books, and registration. We have paid out about \$48,000 in tournament fees and also have 2 more 10u tournaments that we need to register for.
- **YHD:** Coaches spots have been filled. Chris spoke about tryouts and some things he thought would be better for next season. Some of these include: Not starting so early in the season, Having 1 hour max for each session and a 30 minute break between to discuss with the evaluators, Better goalie evaluations and more consistency, Have the players position added to the registration so they know what position kids are trying out for ahead of time, More consistent pool of evaluators and coaches, and having an assistant to help him run the tryout process next season. He also stated that the jerseys were nice to have for the tryout process with just a number on them. Chris also discussed proofreading things before putting out on the website regarding tryouts.
- **Scheduler:** We will be hosting the Bantam A District tourney at the ITMECC this year. The Bantam B districts are in Hibbing, Pee Wee A in I. Falls, Pee Wee B Grand Rapids, 12u in Grand Rapids. There are 4 teams Bantam A, 9 teams Bantam B, 4 teams Pee Wee A, 9 teams Pee Wee B, and 4 teams for 12u for districts play. The High School has finally decided on their ice contract. The month of November-HS girls @ Hipp, HS boys @ ITMECC, December HS girls & boys are switching, January & February HS boys and girls are doing back-to-back practices at the ITMECC. This will keep the back rink and the Hipp open for the youth program. We can also use Mesabi East ice if need for a price at each coaches' discretion. Davis is starting to put the game schedules on the website. Bantams will have up to 42 games, Pee Wee and 12u girls will have up to 38 games. Davis is in contact with Scott Collins at the Hipp regarding ice times. Davis will also just pick the 2 games for each team to use the Mega Tron scoreboard, easiest route, unless coaches choose a certain game. The Youth Hockey association is charges \$50 per time to use the Megatron. We need to talk to Jim regarding the schedule for the Dry Room also so coaches can plan for that.
- **Secretary:** Carrie talked about the few signs up at the Hipp that need to be redone with RRYH. EGYHA had a dasher board and a wood wall sign. We talked about just taking the two signs down for now. One of the signs that needed changing is the DARE sign, but they cancelled their advertising so we could just take that one down. Then Snickers, Snickers has 4 signs. We talked about maybe just putting a sticker over the EG on them, but we also said Snickers is a big promotor and sponsor of

youth hockey and has been very gracious over the years. We also spoke about charging the advertisers at the Hipp more to be on the website. We came to a conclusion that they should be listed on our website also for their advertisement at the HIPP.

- **Equipment Manager:** Brandon ordered the Mini/Mite jerseys 10/3/22. He stated that we need to have our sponsors by June next time so we can get the jerseys ordered earlier. Need to go through the old EG & VAHA jerseys and see what we have in case the new ones don't come in for Mini/Mites in time. The Bantam-Squirt jerseys will be here this week. Puck bags will be handed out to coaches when they are known for each level. Discussed purchasing knit leggings for mini/mite players, \$11/pair. We talked about buying them and then having the parents buy them from us. Could have the socks within a week. Brandon found the replacement parts for the divider boards. Michelle made a motion to purchase the parts at \$200, Lara 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote. Brandon stated that we are in need of some goalie equipment for the younger levels. There are some good leg pads, but we are low on gloves, helmets, and chest protectors. Brandon will get some pricing on this stuff and bring it back to the BOD. He also stated that there is not enough practice jerseys for every team. Todd made a motion to purchase 2 sets of practice jerseys, Michelle 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote. Brandon will also talk to Jim regarding hanging banners in the facility.
- **Canteen Manager:** Amanda made a motion to have Carleigh Kangas as her assistant canteen manager, as she has been helping her the last couple years, Michelle 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote. Amanda made a motion to change the Canteen to "Wolverine Den", Lara 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote. Amanda is in charge of the 10,000 puck challenge will be needing to order hats for those kids that finished the challenge. Extreme signs can make a new sign for the Wolverine Den at the cost of 3x3 for \$285. We talked about maybe not charging Extreme signs for his advertising at the Hipp in exchange for the sign, but his advertisement is already waived for the work he does. Brandon was gonna talk to Mesabi Sign and see what they would charge. We need to order the equipment for the Square for the Wolverine Den. Carrie made a motion to purchase all the Square equipment to get started for \$800, Brandon 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote.
- **Tournament Coordinator:** Michelle talked about our home tournaments. The 10u only has 3 teams. Michelle made a motion to cancel the 10u tournament, Brandon 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote. The 10u teams will be entered into another tournament. We will keep the 12u part of the tournament and see if we can get 1 more team, otherwise we will do a 4 game guarantee pool play bracket. We will keep the Pee Wee A, Squirt, and Mini/mite tournaments open still for now, and Pee Wee B is full with 16 teams.
- **Volunteer Coordinator:** Lara has had people asking about DIBS if they are a team manager, we decided that at this time they still have to do DIBS. Lara asked Chris F. to get in touch with her when he knows for sure who is the top coaches at each level so she can get the DIBS waived. Lara and Michelle will meet regarding tournament shifts. Lara has received all DIBS checks from Bantam, Pee Wee, and squirt levels.
- We will promote Paige's apparel on our website and not promote any other. People can purchase from where they want though.
- Todd made a motion to renew the Director and Officer policy for \$1 million at the cost of \$880, Brandon 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote. Todd has volunteered to run the Pond Rat program again. We will try and do the Pond Rat and 10,000 Puck winners together.
- We talked about what is expected from Team Managers and what their job duties are. All team managers need to be registered with USA hockey, do safe sport training, and have a background check done. We will reimburse for the background check. Carrie made a motion to make it the team managers duty to upload games to game sheet 48 hours before games and double check the rosters, Lara 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote.
- Carrie made a motion to adjourn meeting @ 8:10 p.m., Michelle 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote.
- **Next Meeting**

Monday November 7th, 2022 @ 6 p.m. @ the ITMECC Virginia.

MINUTES

Rock Ridge Youth Hockey Association

Monday November 7th, 2022-Virginia | Meeting called to order by Erik Jonassen

In Attendance

President: Erik Jonassen

Vice President: Chris Bialke

Secretary: Carrie Klakoski

Treasurer: Teresa Simetkosky

YHD: Chris Fink

GYHD: Steve Troutwine

Arena Facilitator: Brad Scott

Gambling Manager: Todd Kreibich

Approval of Minutes

Teresa made a motion to approve minutes from October 3rd, Carrie 2nd the motion. Minutes approved with unanimous vote.

Gambling Report

- Kim was going to review all the documents and get back to Todd. At this point Todd has not heard back from Kim.
- We need to push back the 4-wheeler raffle until we hear from Kim.

New Business

- **President Report:** Jill Westbur is doing power skating right now and the coaches are happy with the way its going. Do we want to give up ice time to a private person? Jim isn't going to schedule anything else regarding power skating unless he talks to the association. The association discussed that we are not going to pay for power skating. Teresa made a motion that if teams/coaches want to use a class room or board room RRYHA will pay for it and it goes through Davis. If a team wants to use the ballroom the team pays for it and goes through Sales at the ITMECC, Chris F. 2nd the motion. Motion carries by unanimous vote. The 10u teams were asked to play at Fryberg arena, but they would have to pay the refs. We are going to try and promote the visiting team to come up here and play. We are not going to pay for the refs down there. All motions on Team Reach...motions are hard to keep up with, if its emergency that needs to be dealt with right away its fine to do. Chris B. motions for BOD member to spend up to \$1,500 with approval by the President, and up to \$2,500 with approval from President and Treasurer, and canteen will have the liberty to go up to \$1,500 with President approval and \$2,500 with President and Treasurer and all expenses up to \$2,500 board approval with 3 quotes, Steve T. 2nd the motion. Motion carries with unanimous vote.
- **Vice President Report:** Chris B. will send official rosters to the Burnsville tourney for the Bantam A and Pee wee A team.
- **Treasurer report:** The safety deposit box needs Lara's name added to it. Teresa motions to get Lara's name added to the safety deposit box and take Todd's name off, Erik 2nd the motion. Motion carries with unanimous vote. Carrie and I will work on getting the letters and invoices out to the Hipp advertisers. Junior Gold registration is now open. Teresa motions to charge \$275 registration fee and to sell (5) 4-wheeler raffle tickets pre paying up front, Steve T. 2nd the motion. Motion carries by unanimous vote.
- **GYHD Report:** Teams are chosen, jerseys are out and no complaints.
- **YHD:** Need to try and encourage the girls to play with the girls' program going forward. There are a lot of coaches at the mini mite level. We have good coaches and the coordinators at teach level are doing great. We also need to make sure that the complaints are going to the coach for that team first, then the level coordinator, and lastly to the HOC, following the 24hour rule first. Coaches also need to make sure that they have helmets on and the chin strap snapped.
- **Equipment Manager Report:** Carrie motioned for Brandon W. to order 6 goalie jerseys, 2 goalie helmets, 2 goalie chest protectors (up to \$300), an XL jersey for a Bantam A player, and reimburse Steve T. for a goalie chest protector, Erik 2nd the motion. Motion carries by unanimous vote.
- **Secretary:** Carrie motions to have the DIBS working age 16years and older, with an adult working in canteen with them, Steve T. 2nd the motion. Motion carries by unanimous vote.

Todd motions to adjourn meeting at 8:36, Chris F. 2nd the motion. Meeting adjourned.

NEXT MEETING Monday Dec. 5th, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Rock Ridge Youth Hockey Association

Monday December 5th, 2022-Virginia | Meeting called to order by Erik Jonassen

In Attendance

President: Erik Jonassen
Vice President: Chris Bialke
Secretary: Carrie Klakoski
Treasurer: Teresa Simetkosky
YHD: Chris Fink
GYHD: Steve Troutwine
Arena Facilitator: Brad Scott
Gambling Manager: Todd Kreibich
Tournament Coordinator: Michelle Morrison
Volunteer Coordinator: Lara Westberg
Scheduler: Davis Lamppa
Canteen Manager: Amanda Morley
Equipment Manager: Brandon Wudinich
Members present: Amy Klima, Laurie Cvar, Jaime Hejda, & Steph Carlson

Approval of Minutes

Michelle made a motion to approve minutes from November 7th, Steve 2nd the motion. Minutes approved with unanimous vote.

Gambling Report

- Todd made a motion to pay the Fidelity Bond for \$90, Michelle 2nd the motion. Motion passes with unanimous vote.
- Need to resubmit all the paperwork for the gambling license, Erik will sign it.
- Todd has an email and phone call into Kim at the gambling regarding the new Rock Ridge Bylaws.
- Talked about being able to change the Bylaws only at annual meetings.
- Todd needs a list of 15 voting members emailed to him.
- Todd will get the last 6 months of meeting minutes signed.
- Sawmill needs to write a letter saying Klin is out and we are in.

New Business

- **President Report** Updated the board on the suspensions from the Bantam A Burnsville tournament. There was a six game suspension on a player, and a 1 game suspension on a coach. Chris was going to draft an email to the Burnsville tournament personal regarding a few things that happened. Pee wee B1 lost 4 games, teams pulled out, so to make up 2 games we paid \$352 for them to play them (Mounds View and Forest Lake).
- **Vice President Report:** We also need to close the EGYHA account and transfer funds. Also, \$16 a month gets put into that account from Court Administration.
- **Treasurer report:** In November we paid about \$8,700 to refs. The Insurance payment was sent out. Farmington has offered to pay the refs for their game against the Bantam B1 team. Mesabi East refs are coming over, can we pay mileage? Chris B. makes a motion to pay non-Rock Ridge refs mileage from house to Rock Ridge arena, Steve 2nd the motion. Motion passes with unanimous vote. The Dryland room costs \$3,000/year for 5 years. Coaches/managers need to book through Ryan Colby-if there is an adult in there they have to be safesport trained. One non-parent coach gets mileage, and non-parent coach gets hotel reimbursement up to \$100.
- **YHD:** Everything seems to be going OK. Ice time schedules have been going well. Kylie Hadrava moved to the Squirt A team. Associations are struggling to find goalies, we need to actively promote goaltending spots starting at Mite level. We also need to promote girls' hockey. Junior Gold is up and running strong. Anyone 17 years of age and older needs to do safe sport training. The

- **Equipment Manager report:** The squirt thru bantam jerseys are on order. Wood still needs to order coach bags, puck bags, and get first aid kits ready. Erik offered to help replenish the first aid kits with supplies from the firehall.
- **Volunteer Coordinator report:** Still agree on \$500 DIBS checks at begin of season per kid up to 2 kids. Teresa will help Lara figure out how many shifts are going to be needed.
- **HOC:** Ben and Ryan discussed keeping Derek Peterson as the Goalie coach for association and doing sessions for the goalies through him as Derek has been with both associations for quite some time. Erik is going to get a proposal from Derek. Power skating was also discussed and the HOC thought it would be better not to do power skating during the season and that the coaches of each team/level should be doing it during practices. The HOC also wants to do tryouts earlier for Squirt A, PeeWee A and Bantam A teams. The registration for these 3 teams would be done sooner than for the other levels/teams. Coaches would be determined after teams are picked to lessen the pressure on them. The PeeWee and Bantams are registered for the Hibbing scrimmage fest. Ben, Davis, Chris F., and Brad are going to meet with Jim Hunt regarding scheduling ice times.
- **Arena Facilitator:** Brad spoke with the Hoyt Lakes Arena and they are going to charge \$10 for ice for PeeWee and Bantams if we decide to use it. He is also going to ask about the price for Squirts. Also, Brad went to the Gilbert Council meeting and asked about ice time at the Gilbert Bubble. Gilbert is going to give us ice at no charge this season and revisit it again next year. Gilbert may want us to leave a few hours of open hockey on the weekends for public skates and open hockey.
- Tournaments have been booked for Squirts through bantams. Hotels blocks are also almost done for these teams.
- We have about 7 Ipads between VAHA and EGYHA that need to be handed out to Board Members (Chris, Lara, Brandon, Carrie, Davis, Todd, Michelle) Erik made a motion to hand out Ipads to all Board Members that need them, Teresa 2nd the motion. Motion carries by unanimous vote.
- Chris B. motioned to adjourn meeting at 8:30 p.m., Teresa 2nd the motion. Motion carries by unanimous vote.

Next Meeting

Monday August 1st, 2022 @ 6 p.m. @ the ITMECC Virginia.