

MINUTES

Rock Ridge Youth Hockey Association

Tuesday January 9th, 2023-Virginia | Meeting called to order by Chris Bialke

In Attendance

Vice President: Chris Bialke

Secretary: Carrie Klakoski

Treasurer: Teresa Simetkosky

YHD: Chris Fink

GYHD: Steve Troutwine

Arena Facilitator: Brad Scott

Tournament Coordinator: Michelle Morrison

Volunteer Coordinator: Lara Westberg

Canteen Manager: Amanda Morley

Equipment Manager: Brandon Wudinich

Approval of Minutes

Chris Fink made a motion to approve minutes from December 5th, with a clarification that Junior Gold parents discussed some items, Steve 2nd the motion. Minutes approved with unanimous vote.

New Business

- **Arena Facilitator:** Brad is going to talk to Draw at the City of Eveleth regarding displaying of locker room assignments, getting new locker room signs, and zamboning the ice before bantam games at the Hipp, Brad will also talk to Jim at the ITMECC about displaying the 4-wheeler we will be raffling off. He will also check on the bill for the kick off party last fall, the city charged us \$750. Brad will talk to Jim about hanging banners also.
- **Treasurer report:** Cliffs sponsored scoreboard, but it has to have a pass thru to the city at no fee charge. On a biweekly average we pay refs \$8,500.
- **YHD** Off ice behavior, Bantam B1 Thief River Falls has been discussed. There will be a meeting for all coaches and managers at the ITMECC to go over a few things from the HOC. We need to get more coaches interested in coaching. There is also no assistant coach for Junior Gold. We need to push the girls to play with the girls program. Not sure how to make a policy for this or if we can make this happen legally? Carrie will forward an email with some concerns in squirts to Chris F. The Bantam B1 team coach has been cancelling games and a tournament. Concerns about mini and mites having too many practices and concerns about the B1 & B2 teams playing each other. Paying refs upfront is becoming more popular, Duluth is charging the incoming teams for their refs.
- **GYHD:** Steve is looking into doing some 8u and 6u scrimmages.
- **Equipment Manager Report:** Brandon has set up Emily Law with Flomdesigns Photography for photos to be done January 23, 24, and 26th at the Northside Rink in Eveleth. Brandon will be purchasing the jersey for Horan and the goalie jerseys. We have 6 mini nets, should get 2 more sets.
- **Tournament Coordinator Report:** Michelle made a motion for the 4-wheeler raffle to be April 15th, 2023, with a short board meeting before hand, raffle starting at 6 p.m. at the Eveleth Elks Club, Chris Bialke 2nd the motion. Motion passes with unanimous vote. We will be selling 400 tickets at \$50 a piece. Battle by the Bridge had 16 teams (224 players) and raffles made a rough amount of \$1,148. We also need to make sure coaches at the level of the tournaments are helping with it. The Nisky had 160 players and 16 raffle baskets. There was a girls HS game scheduled in between. We need to make sure when we have tournaments that there are no HS games in between. There was also a hospitality room booked and then the ITMECC booked a wedding. There were parents complaining at the Nisky about having to go back and forth from the ITMECC to the Hipp. The Pee wee A tourney games will all be at the ITMECC. The Nick Vincent has 14 teams. There was also complaints about the clothing orders. We need to have tournament dates set by June 1st. Need to figure out what we are doing for end of the year parties.
- **Registration:** See if we can add paying with card and paying for raffle tickets and fundraising at the same time as registration.
- **Volunteer Coordinator Report:** Lara needs a coaching list so she knows who is exempt from DIBS. The squirts are having an inhouse 3 on 3 scrimmage in West Eveleth in honor of Jerry Dolinsek January 27th, 2022. Their will be a foreign exchange

student to help work concession when needed for volunteer hours. IDEA...the members who are for sure paying for DIBS, we could cash their checks and pay people to work open shifts if they cant be filled.

- **Canteen Manager:** During the Nisky none of the canteen shipments were on time. From Nov 1st-Jan. 9th, we have brought in \$14,217.82 in sales, and \$1,100 in cards. Maybe get quickbooks to do online sales. The bank transfers are working now. On Feb. 14th, is the 10,000 pucks and Pond Rats ceremony during the Boys game. Was told that there cant be banners hung in hallway. Michelle made motion to adjourn meeting, Chris F. 2nd motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote.

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

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Monday February 6th, 2023-Virginia | Meeting called to order by Erik Jonassen

In Attendance

President: Erik Jonassen
Secretary: Carrie Klakoski
Treasurer: Teresa Simetkosky
YHD: Chris Fink
GYHD: Steve Troutwine
Arena Facilitator: Brad Scott
Tournament Coordinator: Michelle Morrison
Volunteer Coordinator: Lara Westberg
Canteen Manager: Amanda Morley
Equipment Manager: Brandon Wudinich
Scheduler: Davis Lamppa
Members: Steve Fingeroos

Approval of Minutes

Erik made a motion to approve minutes from January 9th, with a clarification that we pay refs biweekly, Carrie 2nd the motion. Minutes approved with unanimous vote.

Gambling

- Todd received an email from Kim at the Gambling Board, she will contact him this week and let him know if there is anything else needed for the Gambling permit and 4-wheeler permit.

New Business

- President Report:** Erik made a motion to table the tickets for the 4-wheeler and more discussion on the Junior Gold still selling these tickets, Carrie 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote. The season has been going very well. Erik is working on a list of items for next season to better improve things and would like the rest of the board should do the same.
- Arena Facilitator:** The things that Brad was asked to get done have been taken care of.
- Treasurer report:** As of February 6th, 2023, RRYHA has \$35,000 in checking and \$109,000 in savings, this is including the money from EGYHA. The Nisky tourney brought in \$5,400, Pee wee A \$4,900, Pee wee B \$12,000, and 12u \$1,000. Still have to pay for ice at the Hipp and the ITMECC. Need to get the advertising done at the Hipp for next season.
- YHD/HOC:** The HOC has had 2 meetings since our last BOD meeting. There were some suggestions made at the coaches and managers meeting: pictures could be sooner, get rid of coupon books, and what is the chain of command? Maybe we should put the chain of command on website. Chris F. is going to be putting together a Code of Conduct for our bylaws also. The assistant coach is back. Chris F. has spoken with the individual regarding the squirt email. Should we be charging cities teams for our refs? The HS has decided to go AA next season and it's a 2year contract. We as the youth association should be building pride and competitiveness. Our mini and mites levels are extremely important, we would like to have double the numbers of what we have now. Talking about some sort of report card for the players at end of season. Next year we will make some changes to the level coordinators at the higher levels, hard to do when coaching a competitive team.
- GYHD:** The 8u girls scrimmage with Hibbing went well, they have a couple more scrimmages coming up. The 6u girls will be having a scrimmage on Feb. 16th. There are only 9 girls at the 6u level. Need to really promote girls going to girls hockey.
- Fundraising:** Steve Fingeroos came and talked about having a Youth Hockey golf scramble. The date would be June 22, 2023 starting at 1 p.m. at the Virginia Golf Course. Steve will run it and we will put a committee together to help him. It will be 4 person team and kids can play, 18 holes, 36 teams max. Michelle will help Steve F. get the flyer made. Erik made a motion to go

ahead and start planning golf scramble, cost to be determined, Brandon 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote. We will discuss more at March meeting.

- **Scheduler:** Met with the HOC and teams that don't make it to districts will have open ice time. Those that don't make it to Regions will have open ice, and same with those not going to State. The Chevy ice will be available until March 10th after that we will have to find ice for teams going to State. Squirts and below will be done February 26th 2023. Skate ups will go until March 10th, they will be structured and on the weekdays. Need to figure out the easiest way to do this because there could be 60-70 kids on ice at one time. FYI...February 20th week is scheduled but will be changing.
- **Equipment Manager Report:** Brandon would like to get some hockey supplies to keep at the Gilbert Bubble. There are some young girls that would like to try goalie and need to get more blockers and gloves and helmets. Brandon also still needs to get rid of the blue goalie pads. The goalie jerseys have been ordered along with the Pat Horan one. When we get the Horan jersey we will talk to Nikki Johnson about getting it framed. Brandon discussed equipment/jersey turn ins at the end of season and will get that set up.
- **Tournament Coordinator Report:** MN Hockey Fights Cancer will be sponsoring the Squirrt tourney. They have sent purple tape and stickers for all players. Michelle made a motion to donate 50% of raffle income to MN Hockey Fights cancer, Lara 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote. Michelle also made a motion to do Split the Pot and donate our half to MN Hockey fights cancer, Carrie 2nd the motion. Motion passess by unanimous vote. Michelle is going to look into seeing if we can run add for MN Hockey fights cancer on Mega Tron. Looking into doing FurReal shakes for hustle awards from the Short Stops. Mesabi East complained about our half ice tourney because they do ¾ ice.
- **Volunteer Coordinator Report:** Still have the squirt tourney, Vincent tourney, and Bantam A districts. There are unfilled DIBS shifts available still. Lara has reached out to those that have not claimed ANY Dibs shifts to confirm they are having their checks cashed. Lara has talked to other associations to see what they do if can't get enough people to fill DIBS, and they actually pay people to come in and do it. Amanda was gonna reach out the National Honor Society and see if any of those kids need volunteer hours to work some shifts. Junior Gold has to run their away game penalty box. Look at opening DIBS shifts more than 5 days prior to the tournaments. Lara made a motion that we pay \$20 per unfilled tournament shift, to be eligible for this you must have all regular season and tourney shifts done, it will be available to those that have completed their DIBS on a 1st come 1st serve bases and it will only apply to tournament shifts, payment will be at the end of season, Steve T. 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote.
- **Canteen Manager:** Bank transfers from the canteen are working well. Need to decide what to do with all the left over candy and food from canteen after the season. In the past EGYHA has offered it to the baseball concession or given it out for end of year parties. The canteen makes a \$9 profit on Snickers Pizzas.
- **Michelle motioned to adjourn meeting at 6:06 pm,** Chris F. 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote.

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

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Monday March 6th, 2023-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
Tournament Coordinator: Michelle Morrison
Volunteer Coordinator: Lara Westberg
Equipment Manager: Brandon Wudinich
Scheduler: Davis Lamppa
Gambling: Todd Kribich
Ref Scheduler: Luke Olson
Members: Jeff Rolston and Sheena Stefanich

Approval of Minutes

Michelle made a motion to approve minutes from February 6th, Lara 2nd the motion. Minutes approved with unanimous vote.

Gambling

- Todd mailed out all the info on Jan. 21st regarding the 4 wheeler raffle for April 15th. Still haven't gotten anything back on it. We are going to hold off on 4-wheeler raffle until we find out about the license. We will reach out to those that donated for the 4-wheeler raffle and let them know the situation.
- On Feb. 13th Todd reached out to Kim at the gambling board, license was still pending Feb. 14th, Kim was gone Feb. 23rd, Kim responded Feb. 24th stating if can take up to 30days. Still waiting on approval of gambling license.
- On March 6th, Todd sent deductible information and State Farm information. Chris B. will help reach out to Kim.

New Business

- **President Report:** End of year players gift/money for parties. Teresa made a motion to do up to \$10 per player, coach, manager for end of year parties, Carrie 2nd the motion. Motion carries with unanimous vote. Next year maybe give each team an allotted amount of money for the season and use that for parties, team dinners, etc. You can not bring outside alcohol into the ITMECC. This is in violation of the city ordinance and there needs to be law enforcement present. Also, no alcohol at team functions at the ITMECC. Managers and coaches need to inform parents of this. We will be adding this to our bilaws.
- **Vice President report:** Junior Gold may possibly have 2 teams next year, and maybe we could use the Hipp for them. The turnout was great for the junior gold tourney. You can start junior gold earlier next year if not trying out for High School. Our Junior Gold team was 12th in the State, 21-11-2. We have a surplus of kids at the U16/U18 level. Registration should start earlier next season, possibly in June, to get a better head count. Players 17+ need to do safe sport also. Maybe try and see if parents can pay for raffle tickets and paying dibs on website when they register their child. Would have to set up a delayed payment on DIBS. US Steel sponsorship is backed up 1 year starting next season.
- **Treasurer report:** Have about \$342,000 in accounts. Still have to pay coaches and ice costs. We should look at having non-district teams pay for refs next season, and if they cancel still charge. Teresa made a motion to pay Carver Mattson \$150 gas card stipen for ref travel this season, Lara 2nd the motion. Motion carries by unanimous vote. We donated \$265 from 50/50 raffle to Gillete Childrens Hospital in honor of Nick Vincent from his tournament, the donation basket will also be added to that amount.
- **YHD/HOC:** Overall great season. There was 303 players and 57 coaches. Feb 1st was the last HOC meeting. Player evaluations are in progress and each player will get one, no coach evals. Need to put together a Code of Conduct, home and away, and Attendance Policy. Need to add handbook to the home page also, make sure its creditable. Should advertise coaches sooner and

do an online application form. Coaches reapply every year. Should also pay non-parent coaches. Next years tryout, need to organize better, maybe have an assistant to do the paperwork and jersey handout. Need consistent evaluators and more focus on goalies. There should be a pre-registration discount also next season. Season/recap-follow the process and guidelines, chain of command(talk to coach, talk to president, talk to YHD).

- **Fundraising:** Need to start going on Youth Golf scramble. Maybe have the four-wheeler displayed at golf scramble and sell tickets for it there.
- **Scheduler:** Met with the HOC and teams that don't make it to districts will have open ice time. Those that don't make it to Regions will have open ice, and same with those not going to State. The Chevy ice will be available until March 10th after that we will have to find ice for teams going to State. Squirts and below will be done February 26th 2023. Skate ups will go until March 10th, they will be structured and on the weekdays. Need to figure out the easiest way to do this because there could be 60-70 kids on ice at one time. FYI...February 20th week is scheduled but will be changing.
- **Equipment Manager Report:** Brandon is going to have a meeting with coaches at the beginning of the season. Talked about a jersey deposit, no check no jersey.
- **Tournament Coordinator Report:** There should be a stipen for teams going to STATE, this is a great accomplishment, to show our support. Michelle made a motion to give each team going to state \$1,500 towards their trip, Brandon 2nd the motion. Motion passes 9-2. Thank you cards will be done soon, just need members signatures to put on them. Tournament, the team level should be running their own tourney and getting more parents involved. Michelle is going to put a tourney committee together. We should look at starting fresh with tourney names also. Start fresh. Try not to schedule tourneys over deer season. Sixteen team tourneys are hard to do, its hard to find that many refs. Need to get the Rock Ridge youth hockey scholarship application made.
- **Volunteer Coordinator Report:** There were 9 families who didn't do Dibs this season, that's \$4,500 that we got by cashing their checks. There a few more to look at still. Lara is looking at making some changes to DIBS next year. Possibly reach out to volunteer groups also. Maybe have managers manage the team games and just do tourney DIBS. Manager assigns people to the DIBS shifts.
- **Carrie motioned to adjourn meeting at 9:01 pm,** Brandon 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote.

NEXT MEETING Monday April 3rd, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

RRYHA Board Meeting April 3rd, 2023, 6 pm

Attendance: Erik J, Steve T, Todd K, Brandon W, Michelle M. Chris F, Davis L, Terresa S, and Chris B (was 8 minutes late), Lara Westberg Member Chase Sistad.

Motion to approve minutes from last meeting by Brandon W and a second by Michelle M – motion carried.

Gambling update: Todd continues to work with KIM from State of Minnesota.

VP report discussed eliminating the coupon books, the cost to make them and time frame were issues. Sponsorship YOUTH HOCKEY GOLF. No meal, no shirts just a tourney for the youth players and parents to have a fun event. We would like to cover ice costs each year through fundraising.

Motion to approve flyer made by Michelle M seconded Steve T

Motion carried.

Discussed reaching out to sponsors to “Name Tourneys” after Board discussed and felt this might be a good idea and promote more business support Motion to have Woody reach out by Michelle seconded by LARA W.

Motion carried.

Girls Youth Hockey Director: Working with High School coach and numbers to start an 8U and 6U teams with option for 15U as the jump to JV and being with Senior Girls might be a large leap.

Boys Youth Hockey Director: They will establish a new HOC after coaches are identified next year. Chris Fink will email out recap of season. He handed out a code of conduct and attendance policy to review as board members and would like to have in place with registration and reviewed at parent/coach/team meeting.

Discussed skate sharpener options for teams at our home tournaments- Erik J will look at options

Treasurer: profit loss statement was handed out and she credited \$30,000 from the transfer of Eveleth Youth hockey funds to ROCK RIDGE account. In the absence of this transfer and the ice costs from Eveleth we were Negative over \$28,000 for our 1st year.

Motion was made to approve application for Youth Hockey scholarship for senior player (HS or JGold) was made by Teressa and seconded by Michelle

Motion carried.

The B -1 girls raised \$4,199.52 from local businesses and donations with expenses of \$5,185.51.

The board had approved up to \$1,500 for expenses.

LARA W stated we had two outstanding checks on DIBS for a couple late registered people and 9 checks were cashed and none bounced. LARA will be asking more form team managers to assist with the DIBS

Michelle and set a schedule: Girls 12u and 10u B1 Feb 2-4th (6) and (6) teams

Peewee B2 Dec 8-10 (16) Teams

Mini mite and Mite (14) and (14) Jan 12-14

Peewee A (8) teams Nov 17-19

Squirt B2 (16) Feb 9-11

Junior Gold (8) Dec 1-3

Discussion to utilize concession:

Scheduler heard from Youth Hockey Director that we will play A schedule and that squirt B will not play teams without A or AA teams.

Raffle item: Carrie to notify 4 seasons that we will need to pass on the 4-wheeler as we do not have a Rock Ridge gaming license yet.

Chris B made a motion for Equipment manager to spend up to \$5,000 on updated goalie equipment and was seconded by Chris F

Motion carried.

10,000 pucks challenge will be update so kids can update on the website.

Chase Sistad wanted to resurrect the QFS program to help kids get Quicker, Faster, and stronger. The board liked this option and encouraged him as we encouraged other to continue to utilize the facility in the spring, summer and fall but that the board's responsibility is to help navigate RRYHA with the guidelines of USA hockey. We have chosen to allow others to organize and facilitate activities during the off season.

We encouraged him to put a plan together and we supported his idea collectively.

Todd K motioned to adjourn the meeting and Steve T seconded it

Motion carried at 8:03pm

Respectively submitted by VP Christopher L Bialke

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Monday May 8th, 2023 6 p.m.-Virginia | Meeting called to order by Erik Jonassen

In Attendance

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Vice President: Chris Bialke

Secretary: Carrie Klakoski

Treasurer: Teresa Simetkosky

YHD: Chris Fink

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Tournament Coordinator: Michelle Morrison

Equipment Manager: Brandon Wudinich

Scheduler: Davis Lamppa

Approval of Minutes

Carrie made a motion to approve minutes from January 9th, with the change discussed, Chris F. 2nd the motion. Minutes approved with unanimous vote.

New Business

- **President Report:** Todd has updated the roster and bylaws with the State for the gambling license. If goes as planned we should have our gambling license by July 1, 2023. Need to discuss future gambling. Erik discussed increasing the Davis's pay for scheduler. Erik made a motion to increase pay to \$6,000/year, wave hockey registration for both kids for the 2023-24 season, Teresa 2nd the motion. Motion passes with unanimous vote. Erik talked to Brian regarding the youth hockey association getting a Sparx skate sharpener for tournaments. Looking into having a consent agenda made up and sending out before each meeting. Bylaw change proposal-Attendance 5-8; "any voting board member who has missed 3 or more unexcused absences in 1 year, May-May, will be automatically terminated. An excused absence is considered; death in the family, family illness, work obligation, planned family vacation". Carrie made a motion to approve 1st reading, Brandon 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote.
- **Vice President Report:** Chris B. is looking into how to make are registration on website easy and make it where the association can pay for everything right on the site, reg., Dibs, fundraising. We would like to do early registration so we can get a better idea of numbers for next season. Make a cut off date of Sept. 1st, and after that there is a \$50 fee added. Would also like to have a box to click if anyone is interested in coaching, managing, or being a locker room attendant. Possibly add a payment plan to site. Naming of tourneys, Cliffs is open to being a tourney name and Chris will also talk to US Steel. Having more district games seems more cost effective and more squirt games in house. Promote more games up here, especially with the ability for more ice time and length of periods are longer.
- **Treasurer report:** As of May 8th, there is \$25,227 in checking. All ice time is paid off, total of \$35,000 in ice costs. The RRYHA scholarship was awarded to Wade Harsila and Maggie Koskela.
- **YHD/HOC:** Would like Davis to ask if we need to pay refs when our teams go to the cities for games so we have a heads up. Would like to see more non-parent coaches. Maybe get Derek to do a goaltending night once a week for Mite level kids that are interested in being goalie. Move handbook to a more accessible location on website and add a section regarding chain of command. Early registration add a tab for PeeWee and up and a discount for early registration. Advertise for coaches on website for 2023-2024 season and a tryout administrative assistant. Anyone interested in being a level coordinator needs to get ahold of Chris F. Preferably like to keep head coaches of PeeWee A and Bantam A not level coordinators. Need more numbers at the Mini and Mite levels. If interested in coaching need to fill out application and email to Chris F. Do not schedule Squirt B games with associations that have no A team., ex. I Falls. PeeWee/Bantam B2 no district tournament play. The youth will stay at A level but can still play at AA if needed. We need to focus on goalies at younger ages. Promote girls hockey, squirt level and up. ITMECC and potential safesport solution; Use north entrance and need a walkway to Chevy ice. We NEED actual locker room monitors, NO parents allowed in locker rooms at ANY time. If any parents are in locker rooms the 1st offense is \$500, 2nd offense is \$1000, (to association) and 3rd offense is coach suspension. This goes for Mini-Mites to Junior Gold. During tournaments we give a locker room key only to the coach of the team.
- **GYHD:** Promote girls hockey more and need more numbers in girls hockey at the younger levels. Also need to start a 15u girls team. Anybody interested in the Girls Youth Hockey Director needs to go through Chris F.

- **Fundraising:** As of May 8th, there are 15 teams signed up for the RRYHA golf scramble. We will also do Split the Pot during the scramble.
- **Scheduler:** As of May 8th, we do not know what is going on with the ice and the High School. B2 teams do not have to play B1 teams if not in district. The Squirt A and Bantam A teams are in the Warroad tournament for the 2023-2024 season. Would like to do the Twig outdoor tourney for Squirts. Need someone to do hotel blocks, possibly talk to Brad Scott about doing this. If there are suggestions regarding what tournaments coaches want to do, send email to Davis.
- **Equipment Manager Report:** Brandon has gotten all the goalie equipment needed.
- **Tournament Coordinator Report:** We are hosting the Bantam A State Tournament for the 2023-2024 season. Tournaments set: Girls 10u & 12u Wolverine Classic Jan.26-28, Junior Gold Frozen Battle Dec.15-17, Pewee B2 Battle by the Bridge Dec. 29-31st, Mini-Mite and Mite Jan. 5-7, Squirt B2 Up North Wolverine Feb. 23-25.
- **Michelle motioned to adjourn meeting at 8:08 pm,** Carrie 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote.

NEXT MEETING Monday June 5th, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at Virginia Golf Course

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Gambling Manager: Todd Kribich

Members Attended: Katie Ranta, Heather Jonassen, Sheen Olson, Sheena Stefanich, Paul Stefanich, Jeff Hunt, Tyler Harvey

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from May 8th Meeting approved.

Gambling

- Finally got approval from the State to go live July 1st, 2023 @ Sawmill Saloon in Virginia, MN. The Sawmill drafted a letter to Klimb June 1st to discontinue their gambling. Todd talked with Bobby, manager of Sawmill, and 3D gambling. We will be doing 1 pull-tab machine with 2 games in it. Will also be doing E-pull tabs and E-bingo. Paper pull-tabs, 20% will go to Sawmill. E-tabs 15% Sawmill (no cap) and 31% to 3D gaming. Each paper pull tab game costs \$65-\$85 a piece. Todd, Anne Lamppa, and the Sawmill will have a training for these on July 1st at 9am. When pull tab games are closed out they will be stored for 3 years. The new games will be shipped to the ITMECC and stored in a secure location. We are working on having a grand opening at the Sawmill or some type of happy hour to introduce our new gambling.
 - Todd made a motion to go with Central Gaming with a new machine lease to own for \$250 beginning July 1st, 2023, Teresa 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote.
 - Todd made a motion to start with no more than \$1,000 to load up the games and a standing motion for every month to buy games for pull tab machine from 3D Gaming and to have 3D gaming set up with the Etap machines. Davis 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote.
 - Todd made a motion to have no less than \$2,000 cash in the bar to pay out winners starting July 1st, 2023, Teresa 2nd the motion. Motion carries by unanimous vote.
 - Todd made a motion to hire Anne Lamppa to help Todd with bookkeeping @ \$1,000 a month and paid at the end of month, starting July 1st, 2023, Paul Stefanich 2nd the motion. Motion carries by unanimous vote
 - Todd made a motion to order \$100 (to start) of office supplies for Anne, and up to \$50 a month going forward, Sheena Stefanich 2nd the motion. Motion carries by unanimous vote.

New Business

- President Report:** Second reading of the proposed bi-law change-Attendance 5-8; “any voting board member who has missed 3 or more unexcused absences in 1 year, May-May, will be automatically terminated. An excused absence is considered; death in the family, family illness, work obligation, planned family vacation”. Brandon made a motion to approve 2nd reading, Michelle 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote. Working on hotel blocks for the upcoming season away tournaments: Michelle Bantam blocks, Katie Ranta squirt blocks, Carrie 12u girls blocks, Lara 10u girls blocks, Brad peewee blocks, and Junior Gold their own blocks.
- Treasurer report:** As of June 5th, Teresa has paid roughly \$25,000 for tournament registrations. The ice is all paid off from last season. Teresa is going to start working on the budget for the upcoming season also. There has been an increase in ref pay again, Level 1-\$55/game, and Level 2-4-\$110/game.
- Fundraising:** As of June 5th, there are 22 teams signed up for the RRYHA golf scramble. Chris B. has been talking with Iron Trail Motors about possibly donating a car to RRYHA for a raffle. More information to come.

- **Scheduler:** Davis has been scheduling away tournaments. As of June 5th,: Bantam A (Hibbing scrimmage fest, Warroad, Burnsville), Bantam B1 (Bemidji, Hermantown), Bantam B2 (Bemidji, Hermantown, Hibbing), Pee wee A (Hibbing scrimmage fest, Burnsville, Bemidji Paul Bunyan), Pee wee B1 (Bemidji), pee wee B2 (Bemidji), Squirt A (Squirtacular metro, Warroad), 12u(Danglefest Blaine, Home), 10u (Home).
- **Equipment Manager Report:** Brandon still has some 100 jerseys that are still not turned in. Talked about doing a jersey deposit for next season and having the coaches get all their team jerseys to Brandon. Erik made a motion to do a \$150 jersey deposit, Lara 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote. Brandon still has lots of free weights left for sale.
- **Tournament Coordinator Report:** We are hosting the Bantam A State Tournament for the 2023-2024 season. Tournaments set: Girls 10u & 12u Wolverine Classic Jan.26-28, Junior Gold Frozen Battle Dec.15-17, Pewee B2 Battle by the Bridge Dec. 29-31st, Mini-Mite and Mite Jan. 5-7, Squirt B2 Up North Wolverine Feb. 23-25. Our Home tourney teams so far: Junior Gold (3), 10u/12u (11), Squirt B (7), PeeWee B (5), Mini/Mite (9).
- **Volunteer Coordinator:** Lara is working on the informational sheet for registration. Need to find out if we are holding Districts or Regions so Lara can get Dibs finalized.
- **Carrie motioned to adjourn meeting at 7:43 pm**, Lara 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote.

NEXT MEETING Monday July 10th, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at Sawmill Saloon Virginia on patio.

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Rock Ridge Youth Hockey Association

Monday August 7, 2023 6 p.m.-Virginia | Meeting called to order by Erik Jonassen

In Attendance

President: Erik Jonassen

Secretary: Carrie Klakoski

Treasurer: Teresa Simetkosky

Scheduler: Davis Lamppa

Volunteer Coordinator: Lara Westberg

Equipment Manager: Brandon Wudinich

YHD: Chris Fink

Arena Facilitator: Brad Scott

Ref Coordinator: Luke Olson

Canteen Manager: Amanda Morley

Gambling Manager: Todd Kribich

Members Attended: Ann Lamppa, Kayla Gervais, Steve Fingeroos, Jeff Ralston, Jesse Wudinich, Troy & Neen Irwin.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from July 11th meeting approved.

Gambling

- Kayla Gervais stepped up while Todd was gone on vacation and kept track of money along with Erik and Ann. She did an exceptional job.
- Ann stated by law the gambling committee has to provide the BOD with everything that the gambling committee does (bank accounts, pay outs, etc.)
- There was 6 games closed in the month of July. We have \$2,787 more than we started with.
- There needs to be 2 signatures on all gambling checks.
- Need to keep closed games for 3 ½ years. Serial numbers and dates closed will be on games that are stored.
- When taxes are done at the end of the year, the gambling committee has to match it.
 - Erik made a motion to approve gambling expenses for the month of July. Lara 2nd the motion. Motion carries unanimously.
 - Davis made a motion to approve Kayla Gervais as the assistant gambling manager with Dibs waived for the season. Teresa 2nd the motion. Motion carries unanimously.
- **RAFFLES**-The city of Virginia approved to have Car raffle at the last Boys HS game on Feb 10th at the ITMECC. Iron Trail Motors is donating the car to RRYHA and the winner will have to pay taxes and title when they pick up the car. We will be selling 5,500 Car Raffle tickets at \$20/piece. The Girls HS Hockey also wanted to participate in the Car Raffle. They are taking 200 tickets at \$20/piece and selling them, and we will donate back what ever amount they sell. The HS teams said we can sell at their games at a table just need to man the table ourselves.
 - Davis made a motion to go ahead and print 5,500 Car Raffle Tickets in black and white. Brandon 2nd the motion. Motion carries unanimously. Carrie will get these printed

- Davis made a motion to give the Girls Highschool team 200 tickets and donate back to their boosters what they sell. Lara 2nd the motion. Motion carries unanimously.
- Carrie made a motion to print 1,600 Cash Calendar tickets in black and white. Chris Fink 2nd the motion. Motion carries unanimously. Carrie will get these printed.
- Carrie made a motion to have the Cash Calendar turned in by Nov. 1 and the Car Raffle by Jan. 1. Neen Irwin 2nd the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

New Business

- **President Report:** Erik is updated the locker room policy for our association. He will send it out for us to approve when he is finished.
- **Treasurer report:** Teresa went over our expenses so far and the biggest expense is paying for away tournaments at this point. We have had some registration money coming in and advertising money from the HIPP. Teresa is going to talk to Jeremy Waldron at Extreme signs about some of the signage at the HIPP.
- **Scheduler:** The 218 is not happening for the 23-24 season, but can schedule these teams individually. All away tourneys are scheduled except for the Twig tourney for squirts as registration is not open yet for that. Season scheduling has officially started in full swing. *Notes from Ice Scheduling Meeting 8/2/23:* **(1) Month of September-**FS will go Mon/Tues/Thurs 4-615 on Chevy, (except during youth hockey tryouts), Youth Hockey will work around FS and whatever private ice that has already been scheduled by ITMEC, **Youth Hockey tryouts will be as currently scheduled - Sept 26-10/5** (Exception – Oct 3, FS will practice 345-430), Tryouts will start at 430 – New schedule already emailed to Jim. **(2) Week of Oct 9th until BHS practices start on Nov 13th-** FS will go Mon/Tues/Thurs 4-615 on Chevy, Youth Hockey will start full time this week for season, Girls HS Captains Practice starts Oct 15th (Weekdays 7-9 pm on Toyota), **Oct 30th – Nov 10th-** GHS starts regular practice, 4-645 weekdays on Toyota, BHS Captains practice 7-9 weekdays on Toyota, **Oct 30th –** Goalie practices start 715-915 on Chevy Monday nights. **(3) Nov 13th through rest of season-** BHS and GHS will use both rinks from 4-645 weekdays for practices, (Exceptions, Game days will practice at the HIPP the day before they play at the HIPP), Chad will check if Chevy can end at 630 on Tues/Thurs. **(Figure Skating)-** Monday nights from 7-whenver they want to end on Toyota, Tues/Thurs FS will go 645-845 (if HS can end at 630), if not they will start at 7 and have ice for remainder of night, Sat Morning will go 7-11 on Chevy.
- **Canteen Manager Report:** The co-canteen manager Carleigh is no longer helping out this season. Amanda made a motion to have Jess Rozinka help her for the 23-24 season, and have Jess's Dibs waived. Carrie 2nd the motion. Motion passes unanimously. There was a lot of left over product in the Canteen this last season, softball and baseball bought some and also the Virginia golf course. Amanda is also looking into going with a different distributor other than Sysco, due to delivery times. Coke delivered pop that was almost expired for the 22-23 season so Amanda is going to look into that also. Amanda is also going to look and see when the license for the canteen needs to be renewed.
- **Equipment Manager Report:** Brandon made a motion to purchase goalie equipment for 1st year mini and mites for \$3,500, Chris Fink 2nd motion. Motion passes unanimously. Brandon will give each coach a set of gear.
- **Volunteer Coordinator Report:** Each family will be responsible for 8 tourney/canteen Dibs. Each team is responsible for covering their own home games. Coaches Dibs are waived due to the fact that they put in a lot of time not only coaching but doing all the necessary classes and certifications in order to be a coach.
- **YHD Report:** We will be having 4 Squirt teams (1-A, 3-B), 4 Peewee Teams (1-A, 1-B1, 2-B2), 3 Bantam Teams (A, B1, B2), 1 Junior Gold Team, 2- 10U Girls Teams, and 2-12U Teams (B1, B2). **Tryouts will be the week of Sept. 26-Oct 5th.** Tryouts will be 1 hour sessions with ½ hour between sessions for evaluators

to talk and jot down anything they need to. We have 14 evaluators this year, 3-goalie specific. It will be a blind tryout again. Teresa made a motion to approve the attendance and code of conduct sheet. Brandon 2nd the motion. Motion passes unanimously. There is a rule change for the mite/8u level-(can play up to 10 full ice games, scrimmages, etc. after January 15, 2024) if wanted. There has been some teams reach out to Davis about scheduling some of the full ice games already.

- **Arena Facilitator:** Brad will call the city of Eveleth and get a date when the ice will be in at the HIPP and what the cost will be to youth hockey this season. He will also call Hoyt Lakes and see will they will charge for ice.
- **Ref. Coordinator:** Luke is willing to help again this year but would like to get someone to help him and maybe take over. He is willing to train them this year. Luke would also like to meet with the coaches before the season starts and talk to them about how to communicate with the younger refs. Carrie will send email to association regarding someone to help with ref scheduling. Next ref class is Sept 13 at the ITMECC.
- **Public Forum:** Jeff Ralston spoke at the meeting regarding having a 15U and 8U girls team. He stated that 99% of 13 year old are not ready to join the HS team. He also stated that he was interested in the GYHD back in March and applied and he hasn't heard anything back on this yet. Per MN hockey all you need is 10 skaters and 1 goalie to have a team, we have that many interested in a 15U team. He also stated that we should have an 8u girls team, there is girls that don't want to play with the boys and this could draw more girls to the girls' program. Chris Fink is going to work on getting a GHYD in place by Aug. 11th.
- ***Lara motioned to adjourn meeting at 8:53 pm, Chris F. 2nd the motion. Motion passes by unanimous vote.***

NEXT MEETING Monday August 7th, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at ITMECC.

**Rock Ridge Youth Hockey Association
BOARD MEETING
September 11, 2023
Iron Trail Motors Event Center**

Meeting called to order by Chris Bialke at 6:0pm

In attendance: Chris Bialke, Teresa Simetkosy, Brandon Wudinich, Lara Westberg, Todd Kreibich, Chris Fink, Michelle Morrison, Davis Lamppa, Carrie Klakoski (via phone), Amanda Morley (via.phone), Brad Scott

Guest: Lauren Pipkin, Ann Lamppa, Joe Wisocki, John Cochems, Matt Reid, Neal Luukkonen, Jamie Bonicatto, Tim Christenson.

CONSENT AGENDA – Motion to accept Michelle., Second by ?. **MC**

Financial Reports – Teresa- Will be sending up email with dates.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

President- Erik Jonassen- N/A

Vice President- Chris Bialke-Registration numbers coming in at 270 players.

Secretary Report- Carrie Klakoski

Gambling – Todd. K- Todd went over August bank reconciliation. **Motion** to approve bank reconciliation by Chris Bialke., Second by Brandon Wudinich. **MC. Motion** to approve August checks by Todd., Second by Michelle Morrison. **MC. Motion** by Michelle Morrison to approve month-end membership report for July. Second by Lara., **MC.** Todd made a motion to approve a sign from Mesabi Sign for \$72.00. Second by Davis Lamppa., **MC Motion** to approve the change of date for RRYHA car raffle to February 3rd 2024 at the Iron Trail Motors Event Center. Second by Chris Fink., **MC**

HOC – Chris Fink. – The first HOC meeting was held August 1st 2023. The discussion of locker rooms was talked about. It was suggested that a letter be sent out to the association to let all of the participants know of the new locker room changes. All parents must take Safe Sport and have a background check in order to go into the locker room. Teresa suggested that we also let parents know that the background check will not be reimbursed. Chris also spoke on Tryouts/ Open hockey that these are skills and are not required by participants. We are currently at 90% registration numbers. There will be a inhouse clinic for all Bantams to teach them how to check correctly.

Girls Youth Director–Tim Christenson – There will be no 15U this year. An email will be sent out to the girls that will include tryout dates. It was also decided upon that RRYHA will host an 8u program this year.

Scheduler – Davis Lamppa- Girls 12uA registered for four tournaments, girls 12uB2 registered for three tournaments, girls 10u registered for four tournaments. The ice is scheduled through October 15th 2023.

Tournaments- Michelle Morrison- We are still looking for several J. Gold teams for our tournament.

Canteen – Amanda Morley- Reached out to SISCO representative, ours has retired and we are now waiting on a new representative. SISCO confirmed they will deliver after 4pm. Coke

as agreed to not deliver anything that will expire during the hockey season. Amanda needs two weeks' notice to have items in stock.

Dibs Coordinator- Lara Westberg- Dibs shifts might have to be adjusted per registration numbers. All board members must submit a volunteer check.

Equipment- Brandon Wudinich-N/A

OLD BUSINESS:

Arena Facilitator: Brad Scott- will call the city of Eveleth and get a date when the ice will be in at the HIPPP and what the cost will be to youth hockey this season. He will also call Hoyt Lakes and see what they will charge for ice.

Ref. Coordinator: Luke Olson- is willing to help again this year but would like to get someone to help him and maybe take over. He is willing to train them this year. Luke would also like to meet with the coaches before the season starts and talk to them about how to communicate with the younger refs. Carrie will send email to association regarding someone to help with ref scheduling.

Sparx Skate Sharpener-- Erik Jonassen- Looking into what would best for our association.

NEW BUSINESS:

Girls hockey night- Brad Scott- The high school girls would like to host a girls hockey night to invite girls out to skate with the high school team and push for more girl hockey players. Could this take place on Sunday the 24th and take over the mini/mite hockey practice. It was agreed on with Davis that this would not be a problem.

Pond Hockey- Todd Kreibich- We need to decide what we would like to give to the winners. Todd will continue to run pound rats for RRYHA. This program needs to be started as soon as possible.

Other- NA

ADJOURN: Motion to adjourn at 7:48 by Michelle second by Chris MC

**Rock Ridge Youth Hockey Association
BOARD MEETING
October 9, 2023
Iron Trail Motors Event Center**

Meeting called to order by Erik at 6:08pm

In attendance: Erik Johnson, Teresa Simetkosky, Brandon Wudinich, Lara Westberg, Todd Kreibich, Chris Fink, Michelle Morrison, Davis Lamppa, Ryan Cobby, Todd Kreibich, Neil Luukkon, Sheena Olson, Stacy Thompson, Jo Kovacich, Emily Hadrava, Dave Surla, Jeff Ralson, Cooper McLean

CONSENT AGENDA – Motion to accept Lara., Second by Teresa. Correction to minutes last month, Teresa was via phone, **MC**

Financial Reports – Teresa- Passed out profit/loss. Our tax season will be May-June. Lara will contact the court to follow up with money that was due to Eveleth. The hipp has lots of old signs, business would like new signs. Teresa needs help with taking on this task. We will need to get bids from extreme signs and Mesabi Sign. Chris and Brad will need to contact business and get quotes for new signs.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

President- Erik Jonassen- N/A

Vice President- Chris Bialke

Secretary Report- Carrie Klakoski-Send out email to association letting them know that we need members to attend the board meeting for gambling.

Gambling – Todd. K- Todd went over month end bills/profit. Motion by Davis to approve month end budget second by Lara. Motion by Michelle Morrison to approve checks second by Joe. **MC**. Update on car/cash cal. Cash calendar tickets will be dropped in safe along with car raffle. Cash calendar tickets will be dropped is safe along with car raffle. These will be dropped off in the Virginia safe. There will be envelopes on top of the safe for team managers to put in the safe.

Copper Nickel contacted us to use RRYHA as their gambling partner. Copper Nickel will handle all the games, ordering tickets etc, we will pick up/drop off cash. Auroa has a city tax on gambling of 10%. We will not have a machine expensive to start but may add one in the future.. Todd and Ann will still audit all games. Motion by Todd that we will take on the Copper Nickle as they are now. Second by Woody. **MC**. We will have to purchase new equipment and an ID reader, Todd will talk with 3D gaming to get the cost. We are waiting on signs form Mesabi Sign from Andy for the Sawmill.

HOC – Chris Fink. – We need a director of player development for next year. We have pretty much have all the coaches covered. We need to find a way to find quality coaches. Squirt-Bantams. Nonparent coaches don't want to coach as they do not have kids in the program or the pay is to little. No HOC meeting has taken place, the next meeting will be next week. Scott Gray is safe sport coordinator for MN hockey, he spoke about the new locker room policy. The intent of the new policy is to keep a certified parent in the locker room, this can be a coach as well, parents are welcome in the locker room (mini.mite/ mite)

Tryouts- are very tuff this time of the year. 13 evaluators to watch tryouts. Squirts-/Bantams no issues. Peewees had a few problems. Look at next Spring to buy RR tryout jerseys.

Girls Youth Director—Tim Christenson – Three helper coaches are working on background checks. Tryouts are coming up, six evaluators. Things will be made very fair and only numbers listed.

Scheduler – Davis Lampa- Game scheduling is almost done. Mites and 8 U after Jan 15th they can play full ice. The city is selling ice out from under us.

Tournaments- Michelle Morrison- Tournaments are filling up. Need to look for a few more teams.

Canteen – Amanda Morley-

Dibs Coordinator- Lara Westberg- Jerseys can not be issued until DIBS checks are in. Motion by Lara that families who do not give a DIBS checks cannot get a jerseys. Second by Woody **MC**. Reg numbers are still low, we might have to adjust DIBS duties.

Equipment- Brandon -Would like to order some cones for the bubble. Still holding things in his storage, what should we do with them? Mini/mites will have new goalie equipment. Jerseys are still out and need to be turned in. We will be sending bills for jerseys that are not turned in. Motion by Erik to send bills for the outstanding jerseys, second by Michelle **MC**.

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Ref. Coordinator: Luke Olson- is willing to help again this year but would like to get someone to help him and maybe take over. He is willing to train them this year. Luke would also like to meet with the coaches before the season starts and talk to them about how to communicate with the younger refs. Carrie will send email to association regarding someone to help with ref scheduling.

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NEW BUSINESS:

Goalie Contract- Will talk about next Spring

Arena Ice- We should get first right of refusal. Our contract ends Dec 2024. We are now paying \$35 per hours and \$18 for practice, tournaments are \$12.

Public Form-

Dave Surla- Would like to approve making a banner for the girls that won state last year. This would be \$110. Motion by Michelle to purchase two banners second by Chris. **MC**

ADJOURN: Motion to adjourn at 7:48 by Michelle second by Chris MC

MINUTES

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Equipment Director: Brandon Wudinich

Tournament Coordinator: Michelle Morrison

Scheduler: Davis Lamppa

Canteen Coordinator: Amanda Morley (call in)

Arena Facilitator: Brad Scott (call in)

Youth Hockey Director: Chris Fink

HOC: Ryan Cobby and Ben Johnson

Members: Anne Lamppa, Sheena Stefanich, Ryan Simetkosky, Dayis Amundson, Jessica Schmidt, Cherish Aule

GAMBLING

- Copper Nickey pushed back the start date to Jan. 1st, 2024. City of Aurora couldn't get on Dec. Meeting agenda.
- Sheena Stefanich makes a motion to approve gambling bank register, Davis 2nd the motion. **MC**
- Carrie made a motion to pay the gambling bills for September, Lara 2nd the motion. **MC**
- There's about 20 packs of cash calendars not turned in yet and 11 books left to sell. Todd will get a list to the board of those that need to be turned in still. The drawing will be Nov. 24th @ 9 am at the Sawmill. Those that will work it are Todd Kribich, Anne Lamppa, Michelle Morrison, and Chris Bialke.
- There is still 3000 Car Raffle tickets to sell. Increased the amount of 400 tickets for the Girls High School hockey to sell. One book of Tickets will be sold at the Wilderness game. Brian from Iron Trail will try and get the car to the ITMECC by Nov. 10th. We will also be selling Car Raffle tickets at the Hipp concession and sell at home tournaments.

DISCUSSION

Chris Bialke made a motion to approve the minutes from 10-9-23, Lara 2nd the motion. **MC**

- **PRESIDENT REPORT:-** Rock Ridge youth hockey will do split the pot at the High School Boys games and keep the proceeds. We will need 2 parents from each team from each level to do this. Davis will coordinate this with each level. Michelle made a motion that each level will be asked to work split the pot at Boys home games, Chris F. 2nd motion. **MC** USA hockey is not mandating cut protection at this time-but highly recommends it. Maybe we could talk to Pure Hockey and add it into apparel store. We will have a discussion in April-May about mandating this for next season.
- **VICE-PRESIDENT REPORT:-** We need to continue to keep car raffle for years to come. Need to spend some of the gambling money by the year end. All teams are now uploaded onto gamesheet. Most of the official team rosters are done. Possibility of 2 Junior Gold teams, not enough time to get them into the league if there is a second team. Davis will look into possibly setting up a second team and see if we can drop it if need to.
- **YHD:-** There was a meeting in October about doing some full ice games for Mites and more games and figuring out which Mites wanna play more games. Our coaching credentials are in a better spot this year. Power skating

for our association-Jill Westebur put together a contract. Michelle made a motion to approve the money for the Power Skating Contract for rest of season, Chris F. 2nd motion. **MC**

- **GYHD:-** Everything is set on girls side.
- **EQUIPMENT MANAGER:-** Need shooter tutors, Woody will look into some cheaper ones for the Bubble. Need to order more game socks. If anyone needs a new pair they are \$20/pair. Pee wee B2 need practice jerseys and need more game pucks, Woody will get these order.
- **DIBS-**Concession shifts have been filling fast.
- **TOURNAMENT COORDINATOR:-**Carrie motioned to donate \$300 to KatieStrong and for helmet stickers, Tim C. 2nd motion. **MC** Battle by the Bay tournament is at the Hipp and the Hipp says closed on New Years at 12, there is games scheduled past 12. Brad will talk to City of Eveleth and get changed. Michelle made a motion to register the Bantam B2 team into the Greenway tourney for \$425 Dec 15-17, Carrie 2nd the motion.**MC** Davis will register team.
- **NEW BUSINESS:-** RRYHA will pay for the Megatron for 2 games per team @ \$75.50 per game. Need to get quotes for Bantam A State dinner.
- Michelle made motion to adjourn meeting at 8:29 p.m., Lara 2nd motion. **MC**

NEXT MEETING

December 11th, 2023 @ 6 p.m. @ ITMEC

12-11-2023

Gambling Portion called to order at 6:08

Members: Chris Fink, Brandon Wudinich, Amanda Morley, Teresa Simetkosky, Michelle Morrison, Jeff Hunt, Jeremy Deedrick, Rebekah Deedrick, Bethany Held, Jen Krause, Andrea Conklin, Angie Lesar, Jeff Ralston, Kassie Strand, Todd Kreibich, Tim Christianson (via Phone), Erk Jonassen (via phone), Luke Olson

- 1) Approve payments (14 items)
 - a. Michelle Morrison made a motion to approve
 - b. Second by Chris Fink
 - c. Approved
- 2) Approve Bank Register for Nov. 2023
 - a. Todd Kreibich made a motion to approve
 - b. Second by Jeff Hunt
 - c. Approved
- 3) October Month End Membership Report
 - a. Jeremy Deedrick made a motion to approve
 - b. Second by Luke Olson
 - c. Approved
- 4) November Month End Membership report
 - a. Jeff Ralston made a motion to approve
 - b. Second by Brandon Wudinich
 - c. Approved
- 5) Discussed car raffle tickets for girls HS
 - a. What happens if the don't sell the tickets
 - b. Girls should turn in tickets by Jan 29th
- 6) Split the Pot
 - a. Association proceeds capped at 1500. If this goes over we need to treat this as a raffle.
 - b. After board discussion this will be moved to the blue line club since RRYHA is having trouble staffing this
- 7) 15k from RRYHA account was used to seed the gambling fund. We are at a point where this money can be moved back to RRYHA.
 - a. Motion made by Rebekah Deedrick to move the money back to RRYHA
 - b. Second by Michelle Morrison
 - c. Approved
- 8) Copper Nickle gambling location – do not know exact status. This remains on hold
 - a. The Virginia Bowling Gardens may be an option. Need to discuss with Tim C

Gambling Portion of the meeting adjourned at 6:46

RRYHA Board Meeting called to order at 6:50 by VP Chris Bialke

Members Present

Luke Olson, Chris Fink, Chris Bialke, Teresa Simetkosky, Amanda Morley, Michelle Morrison, Lara Westberg, Todd Kreibich, Brandon Wudinich,

Approval of November minutes, Motion made by Chris Fink to approve, and to correct spelling error (Copper Nickel). Second by Todd K. Motion passes

Luke Olson gave an update on the Ref status. Reminded that referees need to be treated with respect from all association members. Michelle needs more refs for the PW B2 tournament

Presidents Report:

Request up to 850.00 for Junior Gold banners for the seniors.

Moved by Michelle Morrison with a second from Teresa S. Motion passes

Vice President:

Discussed best practices in handling tickets for raffle sales. Some tickets have been brought to Iron Trail motors and the rest are placed in the safe.

Chris introduced Angie Lesar who wished to speak regarding the recent Junior Gold cuts.

Angie expressed how we should have taken a more proactive approach to setting teams ahead of time in order to avoid cutting players. Angie gave some ideas, which will be brought to the HOC as we continue to develop best practices. In this instance, the suggestion is to lock in 2 teams early in the season and delete a team if we do not have the numbers. Ideas will be brought to the next HOC discussion.

Chris Bialke made a motion to reimburse registration fees of Junior Gold players who were cut. Second by Michele Morrison. Woody will provide a list of kids to Todd and Chris. Motion Passes

Fundraising

Received a donation from Lake Country Power. 100 dollars for the Mini Mite tournament

HOC Report

Navigating through a few issues. Next HOC meeting is targeted for Dec 19th prior to the high school game. Intend to invite all the coaches for feedback.

Treasurer:

Teresa gave a general recap. We are paying about 4k per month for referees.

We are due for a forward looking discussion for future costs and payments. Ice costs, etc..

Signs at the Hipp have not been updated. Teresa made a motion that the businesses who requested sign updates, should have their advertising fees waived for the year. Seconded by Woody. Brad Scott will assist with this project. Motion passes

US steel donation for cut resistant garments. 307 rostered players, 282 responses. RRYHA has enough money from this donation to include the boys HS team. We need to find out if they are interested.

Motion made by Chris Bialke to pay for the protective wear for the high school if the High school request this. Second by Teresa S. Motion passed with one opposed.

Volunteer Coordinator

Dibs is up and running

Lara state that she may need help filling some shifts again this year. Registration is down and we have more coaches.

Tournament Director:

Working through the PwB2 Tourney draw as this is now 17 teams. This adds 4 games.

Board members are asked to help out with Dibs shifts is available

Canteen Manager:

Amanda Morley made a motion to donate canteen proceeds from Katie Johnson's benefit to the Johnson family – Amount of 1180. Second by Todd K. Motion passes

Amanda is working through supplier issues and vendors requiring minimum orders

Amanda Morley made a motion to purchase hats and cinch bags for those players who participated in 10k pucks and pond rats. The amount is not to exceed 850.00. Second by woody

Equipment Coordinator

Nothing to report

Chris Bialke motion to adjourn at 8:25OPM. Second by C Fink