

**Meeting Minutes**  
Grand Forks Youth Hockey Association  
Board Meeting  
Monday September 9, 2024  
BLC Board Room, Grand Forks, ND

**Call Meeting to Order:** 5:35 pm President Cassie Scheving called the meeting to order.

**Members in Attendance:** Cassie Scheving (President), Shaun Endres (Vice President), Chuck Jacobi, Jeff Groven, Ryan Kuhl attended in person with board member Kyle Kosior attending via phone. Brad Lucke (Executive Director), Jason Ulmer (Hockey Director), and Kelly Moreland (Executive Assistant) of GFYHA were also present. Jordan McIntyre (Treasurer) arrived at 6:30 and Margot Miller (Girls Growth & Development Director) arrived at 7:00 pm.

**Approval of August 2024 Minutes:** Motion was made to amend the minutes concerning financials. Error was made in excluding the value of the CD in the gaming account. Motion was made to amend the error by Ryan, seconded by Jeff, all in favor, none opposed. Kelly will make the correction.

**New Business:** None

**Financial Report:** Jordan sent the Board the August financials prior to the meeting. Shaun motioned to approve the financials, Ryan seconded, all in favor, none opposed, financials approved.

**Gaming:** Brad gave an update on the progress of the new location of Little Bangkok, a potential future gaming site. Albatross in Columbia Mall was discussed as a potential future gaming site. Also discussed was the plan for the upcoming gun raffle fundraiser. The current plan is to have 65 guns with an average value of \$700. The purpose being is to make the prizes more desirable. Brad also gave an update on the cash raffle that is being done at the 2024/2025 Kickoff Event. Ticket sales are going well with almost all tickets sold.

**Park Board:** Jordan discussed. The attorney for the Park Board advised eliminating the Park Board member on the GFYHA Board. A meeting was held to discuss. A vote was taken to get rid of the previous agreement and make a new agreement keeping a Park Board member on the GFYHA Board. The position will still be nominated by the president.

**Blue Line Club:** None

**Girls Growth and Development Director Update:** The girls program would be participating in the Potato Bowl Parade on Saturday September 14 in combination with the EGF girls hockey program. The girls will hand out flyers about their programs, candy, and pucks. Try Hockey for Free will be held September 26, 2024 with sessions for new boys and girls skaters. An ad for this was sent out in the school newsletters for the elementary schools in Grand Forks. This year,

Scheels is offering vouchers for equipment starter kits to all registered first year girls hockey players. Parents were notified and we have received a good response. A radio ad was created to notify the community of this offer and to highlight the girls program. Margot also brought up a girls "Kick-off Party" that she would like to host for the girls at the beginning of their season. Potential date for this party was October 27.

**Hockey Director Update:** Jason discussed. Registration numbers are close to what is anticipated for this time of the year. A fall camp for squirts, 10U, mites, 8U and termites/6U begins this week. Registration for pre-tryout scrimmages for bantams, 15U, peewees, and 12U is open. Socks for the upcoming season are in. "Trial-run" reversible jerseys are arriving soon. These are the jerseys that we will have two teams try in the upcoming season to see if they would be a good choice for the new jerseys next season. These jerseys should provide information on how well the reversibles hold up over a season.

**Executive Director Update:** The Sean Gerszewski Award winners will be announced at the Kickoff Event. It was discussed if there should be one winner overall or one winner for the boys and one for the girls. It was decided that there would be two winners, one boy player and one girl player. Board members would review the information on each nominee and vote. Brad also discussed the current number of players registered, anticipated numbers, and anticipated numbers of teams needed at each level. Goalie numbers at each level were discussed and potential for movement of goaltenders due to need.

**Administrative:** Cassie discussed setting up a meeting to review current policies and procedures and by-laws to make sure they are correct for USA Hockey.

**Adjourn:** Jordan motioned, Shaun seconded, meeting adjourned at 7:13 pm.