

**Meeting Minutes**  
Grand Forks Hockey Association  
Board Meeting  
Monday March 17, 2025  
BLC Board Room, Grand Forks, ND

**Call Meeting to Order:** President Cassie Scheving called the meeting to order at 5:31 pm.

**Members in Attendance:** Board members Cassie Scheving (President), Shaun Endres (Vice President), Kyle Kosior (Secretary), Jordan McIntyre (Treasurer), Ryan Kuhl, were all in attendance. Brad Lucke (Executive Director), Jason Ulmer (Hockey Director), Kelly Moreland (Executive Assistant) and from the GFYHA Office were also present.

**Approval of February Minutes:** Approved. Kyle moved to approve, seconded by Jordan. All in favor, none opposed.

**New Business:** Dwayne Gustafson was present to discuss the issue of the concession stands in the Grand Forks arenas going to a "card only" policy for payment. Dwayne feels that this creates an issue for some customers who would prefer to pay in cash, in particular for small children who may not have access to a debit/credit card. Brad spoke on the benefits of card payments such as ease and efficiency for concession stand workers and managers which was the primary reason for choosing to go this route. The position stands that the benefits of the card only payments have outweighed the disadvantages. Solutions were discussed such as Greenlight or Venmo cards for kids.

Jordan brought up the topic of coach reimbursement for teams with more than two coaches. Jordan wanted to change the current policy, which compensates two coaches per team, to be able to fully compensate 3 coaches per team. Discussion was held. There was also discussion of increasing the amount of compensation for non-parent coaches in an effort to retain them for future seasons.

Kyle brought up a database for coaches to share practice plans and drills with the goal of creating more continuity for coaches across the entire GFYHA program. The Coaches Site and Ice Hockey Systems were discussed as possible options to be used next season.

**Financial Report:** Jordan reviewed the February financial report. Financials for this year were compared to financials from this time last year. Overall, financials were up from the amounts from last year. Motion to approve February financials was made by Jeff, seconded by Cassie. All were in favor, none opposed.

**Gaming Update:** Possible future gaming sites were discussed. Next season's raffles will begin planning over the summer.

**Park Board Update:** (Jordan) The Eagles and BLC arenas will be renamed the BLC Iceplex or Complex.

**BLC Update:** None (Chuck absent)

**Girls Growth & Development Update:** (Jordan for Margot who was absent) Margot met with Monique Lamoureux and Mack Langei to discuss ideas on how to grow the girls hockey program in Grand Forks and East Grand Forks. There will be a Try Hockey for Free event in April in conjunction with EGF. There are two sessions planned, one held in EGF and the other in Grand Forks. There will also be a Learn To Play Hockey camp being held on Thursdays in May. The TEARS program donated \$1500 to be used toward hockey equipment for Try Hockey for Free and Learn to Play Hockey programs. Plans are being made for a ball hockey league for girls in an effort to help improve confidence in stick handling skills, looking for donations of old sticks for participants to use.

**Hockey Director Update:** (Jason) Coaching calls and surveys will begin this week for feedback from coaches about their hockey season. Jersey collection has started. Options are being looked at for how best to handle selling old jerseys for those who are interested. Registration is open for spring camps. The younger age groups have already filled up, spots are still available for peewees/12u and bantams/15u. Jason presented some mock ups to the board of designs for the new jerseys.

**Executive Director Update:** (Brad) Sponsorships for new jerseys are being finalized.

**Administrative Update:** (Kelly) Jersey collection for the end of the season is in progress. We will begin the process of looking at DIBS completed for the season shortly.

**Adjournment:** Cassie motioned to adjourn, seconded by Jordan. The meeting adjourned at 7:02 pm.