

**Meeting Minutes**  
Grand Forks Hockey Association  
Board Meeting  
Monday November 11th, 2024  
BLC Board Room, Grand Forks, ND

**Call Meeting to Order:** 5:31 pm Vice President Shaun Endres called meeting to order.

**Members in Attendance:** : Shaun Endres (Vice President), Jordan McIntyre (Treasurer), Kyle Kosior (Secretary), Chuck Jacobi, Jeff Groven, and Ryan Kuhl. Brad Lucke (Executive Director), Jason Ulmer (Hockey Director), Kelly Moreland (Executive Assistant), and Margot Miller (Girls Growth and Development Director) of the GFYHA offices were in attendance.

**Approval of October Minutes:** Approved. Jeff made a motion to approve, seconded by Jordan.

**New Business:** Ryan Kuhl spoke about an idea for a “youth council” that could be put together for the players to have more input in the association. This council would be composed of players from each team to give feedback on things such as service projects and apparel. Ryan was going to put together a plan to implement this and follow up with the board. Jordan McIntyre proposed the idea of having a service project for the whole association.

**Financial Report:** Jordan sent the October financial information to the board prior to the meeting. Concessions will be implementing a new credit card payment system which should be in place next week. Chuck motioned to approve financials, Kyle seconded, all in favor, none opposed.

**Gaming:** Brad gave an update on the status of gun raffle tickets which are going well. Tickets are due back on 12/11/24. Kelly will hold one more “pick-up” session for those that have not picked up tickets yet.

**Park Board Update (Jordan):** Jordan gave the update on the most recent meeting for the Parkboard. The new indoor facility continues to be the largest issue discussed and the amenities that will be chosen to be in the facility. Parkboard members are touring similar facilities for ideas.

**BLC Update (Chuck):** Chuck discussed the most recent BLC meeting. Donations to GF Youth Baseball, Border Blades, and GFYHA (to cover ice expenses) were approved.

**Hockey Director Update (Jason):** High School tryouts are in process. Jason discussed some upcoming needs of the program including updating some of the inhouse goalie equipment because of sizing needs and replacing worn or lost equipment.

**Girls Growth & Development Update (Margot):** Girls youth hockey registration numbers this year were an all time high for the program. She discussed that the girls program will hold a

Christmas party on Dec 18, 2024 which will include games, competitions and a service project. Jordan and Margot proposed adding pink to the Aviator's logo (removing the red and replacing it with pink) for some apparel. This would apply only to apparel and not team jerseys. They will present the proposed change to the board so a decision can be finalized.

**Executive Director Update (Brad):** The squirt program will be finalizing teams this month and their travel season will begin. The first Grand Forks hosted tournament is coming up at the end of this month (12UA, 12UB, 15UA, 15UB). Tournament needs will be filled with the DIBS system. DIBS for that tournament are being built and will be put out soon. Ava Nickel (Tournament Director) will be the point of contact for tournaments.

**Administrative Update:** None

**Discussion:** Jen Cameron, Erika Kowalski, Natalie Muth and Keith Landman were present. They came to discuss the 14UB team. They expressed concern over safety and skill level discrepancy issues that have arisen in combining the older girls and the younger girls. Discussion was held on the issue. With high school rosters coming out, there is a possibility of roster movement that may help resolve the issue.

**Adjourn:** Ryan motioned, Kyle seconded, meeting adjourned at 7:11 pm.