

APPROVED



Northern Lakes Youth Hockey Association Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: 4/23/25

Time: Meeting Called to order at 5:00 pm

Board members present:

Dan Yantes

Chad Rau

Kari Horbacz

Mindy Dawber

Trevor Betley

Kelly Burns

Tom Zabka

Cole Peterson

Rebecca Olson-Ball

Dustin Schwarze

Tim Johnston

Mike Olsen

Board members absent:

Non Voting Members:

John Engstrom

Public Guests:

Amber Anderson

Open Session:

1. Public Comment

- a. No Comment

2. Approval of March 26th Meeting Minutes

- a. Trevor Betley motioned to approve March 26th meeting minutes. Second by Chad Rau. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Gambling Report (Chad)

- a. Net profit just over \$40,000 for 13 sites (April 1 – March 31 fiscal year); \$171,885 over last year.
- b. Cole Peterson made a motion to approve Allowable Expenses \$157,950 and Total Lawful purpose expenditures of \$130,000 for the month of March which includes a transfer of \$40,000 from Gambling to the General Fund. Second by Trevor Betley. Motion passed

unanimously.

- c. John recommended increasing the raffle sale requirement by \$100 for each skater for next year.

4. Finance Report (Mike)

- a. Overall a good year.
- b. Scholarship will show as an asset not liability.
- c. Ice rental was \$24,000 higher this year (not just the chiller itself). Oftentimes just the quantity of ice we use (different cost for games vs. practices).
- d. Breezy contract is good through 2026; Hallett through 2028.
- e. There was a 4/6 deadline to apply for the scholarship. We have not heard back from the family yet on who they have chosen (2 girls and 3 boys applied); the family will choose 1 boy and 1 girl.

5. Hockey Committee Report (Trevor)

- a. Jeff DeGrote to lock in tournaments for 2025-2026 in May.
- b. Looks like we may have 2 more bantams (37 skaters and 3 goalies); plan for 3 teams.
- c. Meetings start in June for the Hockey Committee.

6. Equipment Report (Cole)

- a. Received 9 boxes of black socks from Gemini; helmets ordered to restock.
- b. All jerseys are back, except for 1.
- c. Will be ordering goalie equipment sets for mites (2 sets at each rink, maybe 3) and goalie sticks.
- d. Mike Mueller requested 3 additional pro screen shot blockers for Breezy and Crosby rinks. Trevor Betley motioned to approve buying 3 additional pro screen shot blockers @ \$600 each. Second by Kelly Burns. Motion passed unanimously.

7. Communication Report (Kari)

- a. Discussed that non-parent coaches do not get email updates through SportsEngine - Kari to look into more.
- b. There will be no more global updates for SportsEngine; look into using Crossbar (cost, etc.).
- c. SportsEngine currently used for registration, website, etc.

8. Registration (Kelly)

- a. Continue to see registrations for spring skills.

9. Recruitment & Retention (Rebecca)

- a. Starting receiving emails on upcoming parades (Crosby and Nisswa)
- b. Discussed getting more GoPro videos made for posting/social media

10. Fundraising Report (Tim)

- a. Continue to see wreath buyouts come in.
- b. Discussed options for fundraising outside of wreaths; e.g., another raffle (jet ski/ATV. etc.)
- c. Discussed fundraising for boards at Hallett

11. SafeSport (Dustin)

- a. Waiting for responses from the Center for SafeSport for previous issues.

12. Other Business

- a. Hallett Update
 - i. City of Crosby received 2 bids for 1 rink only; the chiller would be located outside which could open up a locker room.
 - ii. Strong support from City Council at this point; City to vote on chiller on Monday
 - iii. The 22 week lead time for the chiller will put us into mid-September.
- b. Facilities Committee
 - i. With recent happenings with the Crosby and Breezy rinks and with strong support in the surrounding community for another rink or the potential for another rink (including working with the Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Board (IRRRB)), the Board discussed creating a facilities committee.
 - ii. Trevor Betley motioned to approve creation of facilities committee. Second by Mike Olsen. Mike Olsen was nominated as chair of the committee. Motion passed unanimously.

The next meeting will be May 21st at 5pm at The Cedar Chest.

Motion by Dan Yantes to adjourn. Second by Mike Olsen. Motion passed unanimously.