



Hermantown Amateur Hockey Association

Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 20, 2024

Skyline - 8:00pm-9:19pm

Attendees: Adam Wright, Lee Mahnke, Josh Peterson, Dustin Carlson, Garret Suihkonen, Jameson Lundquist, Luke Olson, Mark Sams, Ben Carlson, Jasen Wise, Jon Clauson, Tim Rust, Eric Albrecht, Emily Sharrow. Jim Crace

Guests: Jenna Krause, Shawna Jokinen

Special Meeting called to order at 7:45. Discussion about the Past-President Advisor position. It would be a non-voting position. Would serve as an advisor for incoming presidents and would attend meetings as needed. D. Carlson made a motion to approve. Suihkonen seconded. All approved, motion carried. Motion to adjourn at 7:47 made by Clauson. Special Meeting adjourned.

1. Call to order @ 8:00pm by Wright.
2. Review and Approval of **October 2024** monthly meeting minutes – **Motion** made by Clauson, seconded by D. Peterson. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed.
3. Gambling Report November 20, 2024

Gross Receipts	\$241,847.00	Proposed October Budget	\$25,360
Prizes Paid	\$203,042.00	Actual October Budget	\$64,118.20
Net Receipts	\$38,805.00	End of last month carryover	\$67,118
Allowable Expenses	\$19,717.00	Proposed December Budget	\$27,560
Taxes Payable	\$4,250.00		
Schedule C Donation	\$12,467.00		

Motion to approve the Gambling Report for **October 2024** made by Wright , Second by Mahnke. All in favor - No opposed. Motion passed.

Motion to approve a proposed budget for **December 2024** made by Carlson, Second by Lundquist. All in favor - No opposed. Motion passed.

Motion to approve a request from Albrecht to donate \$35,450.00 to HAHA payable to Hermantown Arena for ice rental in October 2024. Motion to approve made by Wright. Seconded by Peterson. All approved, motion carries.

4. Old Business:
5. New Business
 - a. Jenna Krause, Fundraising Committee Update: Only four members remain to pick up raffle tickets. Clothing Fundraiser has made a little over \$2,000 through the 20% kickback. Looking to increase sales in the Christmas season. Some teams decided to do their own clothing orders to avoid paying the additional 20%. Fund-A-Hawk looking to raise a few thousand dollars. Issue with a social media post with discrepancies regarding clothing orders. Questions from teams about clothing orders to raise money at home tournaments. Some teams have done this in the past and have used the money raised to cover assessments. This cannot be done. We have permission to use the logo but we need to protect the rights to the logo. The Fundraising

Committee will be working on clearing up these misunderstandings. They are planning a 3 on 3 April tournament. Proposal: Hermantown Hockey Trademark and Logo policy will be sent out to discuss in December.

- b. Bantam Residency Issues: Wright has requested proof of residency. Due diligence has been done and bases are covered.
- c. Tournament Director position is in our bylaws. We may want to look into filling this role to aid in facilitating home tournaments and assisting in booking tournaments for our teams.
- d. Tournament meeting tonight: volunteers have come forward to direct each home tournament. Each level will have a tournament director and manage rosters, GameSheets, etc. Amber will help make this transition.
- e. Player Passes have been ordered and will be distributed soon.

6. Treasurer's Report: Account Summary **November 20, 2024:**

Savings	CD	Checking	Total
\$578,000.00		\$10,496.00	\$588,495.00

YOY: \$ -18,123.00

Motion to approve treasurer's report made by Rust, Second by Mahnke. All in favor - No opposed. Motion passed. Authorization to cut a check for \$30,000 to the arena for HAHA's portion of the concession buyout. Motion made by Rust, seconded by Clauson. All approved, motion carries.

Discussion about the need to get projected arena and concession profits for 2025. Discussion about what happens if the arena operates at a loss. With arena staff turnover, need to determine who will communicate regarding P/L, etc. Several solid candidates have applied for Dave's position. The Arena Board will review and offer the position. A couple of good candidates have applied for Amber's position.

- 7. Player Development: Jasen Wise: suggested we standardize the tryout scrimmages for bantam and peewee B1 teams. Need to change wording so that HAHA members can be tryout evaluators, as long as they are not parents of players currently playing at the level they are evaluating. Jasen is helping coaches with putting drills into the Ice Hockey Systems website. Encourage coaches to use it. Players are using the dummies. Some of the coaches have been trained on the dummy usage with Jon Francisco.
- 8. Level Coordinator Reports:
 - a. Equipment Manager: B Carlson- nothing to report
 - b. Outdoor Ice: Mahnke - new lights came in this week. Need to determine how to configure them (for now or for future?). Discussion about putting them all up. Outdoor Ice GroupMe: frustrating and not helpful. Lee going to change settings so only he can post. Monday Lee is meeting to determine snow removal locations. Zam driver (Micah) coming back to help us out afternoons/evenings based on his class schedule. Flooding: looking at early December to see if it will be cold enough. Flooding policies from last year will remain in place. Wetland filling and parking are being determined. The cleaning guy for the warming shack is no longer available. Lee will talk to Micah.
 - c. Goalies: L. Olson - Goalie skate tomorrow. Working with Melissa to get some more set up but dates are hard to come by.
 - d. Girls U6-U10: Clauson- U6/U8 Jamborees: looking for the financial contribution for M1/M2 too. Motion for up to \$300 reimbursement made by Albrecht, seconded by Crace. All in favor, motion carries.
 - e. Girls U12-U15: Sams- all good

- f. BN: Crace- all good
- g. PW: D. Carlson- peewees B2 are short one team for home tournament. Altercation with two B1 players being verbally aggressive. Coach and coordinator have dealt with the issue.
- h. SQ: Peterson- tournament directions set
- i. M2- Suihkonen- tournament is full. Can add two more teams if wanted. Morning skates going well. Girls are invited to join as well.
- j. IM/M1: Lundquist- coaching certificates and training are still in progress.

Shawna: Photos are out for 12 teams. The others come out Friday. Please report feedback to Shawna.

9. Open forum/Membership questions/concerns:

Motion to adjourn made at 9:19 pm made by Crace, seconded by Peterson. All in favor, no opposed. Motion passed.