

3/20/2023 Board Meeting

Start 6:03 pm

Attendance: Ryan, Ashlee, Phil, Shawn, Justin, Adam, Joel, Brian George, mite 3 coach, Corey Graylish, Jeff McGrath Corey, Jake R, Chelsea, Corey Schmit, Dave, Jakobowski, Olmstead, Curtis, Candace, Jenz, Joel

Gambling

- No expenses on new bar, 3/27 can share more info, 5/1 is opening goal, big check done, other charity to be notified, city council to still approve
- Feb is best month this fiscal year @ 46k,
- Expense: water heater went out (property manager expensive, plumber quote cheaper)
- Income: first 3 months so far ~\$213,500, likely will go over goal of 250k, doesn't include 100k coming in from
- Approval of regular expenses **PASS**
- Approval of allowable expenses, nothing to call out will talk about further when new bar opens **PASS**
- Sat is % bingo, purse bingo making money the last 2 sessions
- Acknowledgments for approval of Feb minutes: **PASS**

Finances

- Sent in morning (3/20), no big surprises: some left over collections happening; yesterday sent notifications for dues of pizzas not sold, money to be collected by 3/31; mite pizza extra \$ to be distributed by 3/25
- Approval of finances **PASS**
- Corey wants marauder districts how much were paid (40)

EOY Team Updates

- Mite jamboree: smiles, had fun; fog machine a blast, awesome attendance
- EOY funds for state tournament (association pays for regions and District 2 pays for state banquet, but the 2 other districts the kids went to, would not pay for banquet:
 - Call to budget for this next year
- Squirts nothing new from last time,
- 10UA districts: lost 2-1 (34-4-1) best season in the state, co-op success; a lot longer of a season (ice time, etc)
- 12B1 went to regions, a little heartbreak but full force
- PWA wrapped up 48-7-6 D2 champs, D2 playoff champs; won in regions, state lost first game and won consolation
- PWB1 undefeated in district, won champions, regional lost then played consolation second
- PWB2 took an amazing season, PW C went to semifinals
- 15A and B made to regions,
- Bantam: made it to chip, lost in OT, going to Wild game for winning Gillet Children's Hockey fundraiser: raised 9k+
- Community was behind all the teams, nice community support overall

New Business

- Please do not wait until the last minute to send in board applications: **Due 3/31/2023**
- Voting done April 1-7 1 vote/household last meeting 4-17; top 10 vote getters meeting to occur right after that, then start with new season and new board
- Banners: 5 years ago netting, score board and banners purchased between RAYHA, HS and ***
 - we need to provide a list of state tournament winners for arena banners (2 winners previously, 6 more banners needed),
 - no room for all banners, winners to be gathered and put in one place
- OJ Sep 2023 agreement is due, renegotiating contract:
 - Meet with OJ to determine how did it go?
 - OJ will be getting WiFi,
 - Delton Outlaw using OJ for summer,
 - super intendant retiring,
 - need to submit ice request:
 - Have asked to give us bleachers
 - 5 contract renewals: ***, Harding, TCO, Shoreview, Roseville

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Town Hall

Start 6:51pm

- Meeting is to discuss challenges, lessons learned, close out the year
- Could a team Fundraise on their own?
 - 501C3 makes fundraising using RAYHA name illegal,
 - handbook says needs approval and limit where the \$ comes from (no bars, etc.);
 - there is a liability: what is the money being spent on?
 - Cannot use RAYHA name at all because against 501C3.
 - This needs to go in handbook. If gambling involved could lead to legal ramifications
- Handbook where is it? Handbook has been off RAYHA website for 2 years, because has conflicting information
 - An iteration has been started, some feedback has been given, but handbook as not been completed or fully approved by executive board
 - Suggestion made to put an older iteration online, listed as obsolete, with caveat that handbook is being updated
 - Could have 3rd party company finish handbook: cost is not known, further investigation and discussion needed
 - This item to be made a high priority during off-season
- Would like a space for feedback/suggestions/grievances for RAYHA members: could use a generic email for RAYHA members to send feedback/suggestions/grievances to and discuss relevant topics/questions in board meeting

- Will there be a play-up rule (squirt is specific level in question)? No. Where the Handbook stands, if child is a 3rd grader or 8 years old they can try out and must make A or B1;
 - If they don't make it, play in appropriate age level
 - If a kid is younger need to petition with the executive board
 - D2 talked about a 3/4 ice league but not enough people in D2 to make it happen
 - Having the best season (no matter the level of the team) all boils down to coach and managers talking with other coaches/managers to determine if their teams are compatible to play
- Mite pays a lot to D2: Do we really? Do we need to? What is it for?
- Discussion that D2 is a high pain source for many RAYHA members
 - Board chair has been in seat for 14 year and no child in hockey for 11 years
 - We cannot leave the district; Forrest Lake tried and all other associations need to agree to let an association go, no one in the district would let FL leave
- What is the estimate for next year's player numbers (squirt is specific level in question)?
 - No real good idea; need to have discussions
 - ice time is one of the biggest limitations
 - possibly 3 squirt teams next year
 - the Mite 4 experience is similar to Squirt C experience
 - It would be nice to have transparency for what the team will look like next year.
- Playback of what we usually do for specific summer meetings (missed by note taker)
- Budget discussion (before budget meeting): talk with managers/coaches about why teams went under or over budget to gain better idea for forecasting next year
- Marketing ideas to get kids in RAYHA:
 - signs in parks (baseball increased #s, year over year for 3 yrs),
 - have parents go to schools to get buy in from schools for flyers in schools,
 - summer floor hockey tournament,
 - mite event in spring/April
- Sports star gives you a photo of every year child got their picture taken, once they reach *** level

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