



December 18, 2023 | Rose Room

Welcome and Introductions (6:03 PM)

*If a RAYHA association member would like to see the association budget, please contact finance@rayha.org

Attendance

- Gretchen Hopeman, Dave Scott, Phil Diskerud, Chelsey Rosenthal, Jess Anderson, Joel Millard (on phone), Justin Brown, Ryan Twardowski
- Jake Remitz, Jens Frederickson, Ashlee Horwath, Chaz Afong, Curt Slater, Alex Huffman, Candace Mealey

Gambling Business (6:05-6:15 pm) *CEO Phill Diskerud & Ashlee Howarth Gambling Mgr*

- The check this month is better than last month
- City council meeting
 - Went well, not great
 - 5/6 people on city council agreed: since not unanimous, need an additional vote on Jan 8th
 - Because of the extra vote needed, Feb 1st would be the potential start date at new business
 - The one person that did not support: felt like there would be a hockey monopoly on the businesses
 - After the meeting council members approached us and thanked us for what we do for the kids and said we did a nice job presenting
 - The fourth business is excited to have Roseville and can be very accommodating:
 - Gambling team would like to have a booth and a machine, if possible
 - The business has been really open to ideas and is wonderful to work with, so it would be a great location to support us, if approved
- This month was slow with bingo hall, bars are doing well though
- Had to buy a new fryer this month
- Closet at business location is almost done
- New locations want new computers, working with Midway to see what can be accommodating
- Bingo Hall will be open Christmas day
- 14K this month brings us to ~180K for the first 5 months of the year, with a goal of 300K in 12 months
- Approve November Activities (financials, allowable expenses, etc.): *motion > approval > pass*
- Approve January Estimates: *motion > approval > pass*
- Approve December Allowable Expenses (pg 3): *motion > approval > pass*

General Member Forum (6:15-6:30 pm)

- 10U Girls games at Roseville: there are still no games here; president will address w/the ice schedulers
 - Squirts and 10U level ice times tend to be concentrated at the 5:30/6:40 time during the week and we do not have that ice time at the Roseville arena, which we have had in years past, we only have that time during the week, at OJ

- So games at the Roseville arena would need to be on weekends
 - Last year the co-op was heavy with Roseville ice, 15U Mahtomedi parents were upset that there was too much RV ice, because there is no handicap accessibility
 - OJ is not handicap accessible and we need a handicap accessible location
- It was identified that sometimes Mite level families are inadvertently left off of some communications, or Mahtomedi is included in a Roseville only communication, possibly due to communication being sent through Crossbar: suggestion to have a tutorial available on how to send a mass email to the association
 - Go to Members > start with a blank email > write the email, hit next > Emails addresses of the whole association will appear > then hit Accept > email will send to everyone
- New Oval passes will be coming soon: along with donating for RAYHA to have Oval Passes, Goodmanson Construction has also graciously offered to make the passes

November Minutes (6:30-6:35 pm) Secretary-*Candace Mealey*

- Meeting minutes were sent to board members via email
- Motion for approval of November Meeting Minutes occurred via email and passed
- November Meeting minutes will be uploaded to the RAYHA website

Approve YTD Financials (6:35-6:45 pm) Finance Report- *Jens Fredrickson*

- 43K, was posted for ice payment that was accidentally paid early
- Payables we have out are: Langford and Goodmanson (jersey's and oval passes)
- Squirt C team is signing up for a 4th tournament. The total cost of 4 tournaments is equal to 3 higher level (B2, B1, A) tournaments
 - Team is going to use team funds for the tournament
 - Budget was factored in knowing C team tournaments are less than other tournaments
 - For future, do we budget quantity value or monetary value for tournaments? We've been budgeting by quantity
- Is there a way to match up our forecasted budget, to our current budget? To better understand the spend vs. forecast. Maybe on a quarterly basis?
 - This will take some time, but yes
 - When we hear things like 'we have extra money' it would be great to see the real numbers to match that type of verbiage
- Motion for approval of December Financials > *motion* > *approval* > *pass*

Old Business (6:45-7:00 pm)

Ice: game recommendations by level - *Phill Diskerud*

- Talked to OJ about the sound system and they wouldn't update it because construction required insulated ceiling removal
- Getting other quotes specifically on Blue Tooth options

Will need to look at team expenses next year when budgeting: Looked at previous 3 to 4 years, to understand how many games Roseville teams have played

- Recommendation by District 2, aligns with Roseville's previous 3-4 years (prior to district playoffs): Squirt 30-35 games, PW 40-50 games, Bantam 45-55 games

- There is a big discrepancy on the # of district games you get, because it is based on the # of teams for that level (e.g. AA teams have significantly less teams in that level than level C)
 - So proportion of team funds needed would be significantly different, based on # of district games and level of play
- Proportion of team funds is so different based on levels (this is fluid year to year): thus suggestion is to potentially tier team funds next year
 - Caveat: there will be redistricting next year, so the number of teams will change; we will likely get more AA teams, thus our AA team will have more district games
- Teams are capped at 16 district games/level
- Upper level teams also have more ref expenses due to longer ice times, which equates to higher expenses
- Next year Recommend to use ~85% of team funds for additional scrimmages, training, hockey related expenses

Oscar Johnson Renewal - *Gretchen Hopeman, Dave Scott*

- Will be meeting this week to get the renewal approved soon

New Business (7:00-7:40 pm)

Bantam B1 Kids4Kids Fundraising - *Bantam B1 players*

- Bantam B1 team members presented to promote fundraising for Gillet Children's Fundraiser and request help
- Motion to use one pull tab box per location for raising funds for Gillet Children's Fundraiser, for a max of \$1500 donation: *Amendment: since team is here promoting, would like to increase the amount to \$1750 as a cap*
 - *Discussion: is this in our budget? Yes, there is excess in other budget expenses that will not be used*
 - *motion > approval > pass*

Roseville/Mahtomedi Co-op Renewal - *Gretchen Hopeman, Cory Schmitt*

- Discussions about renewal of the co-op contract
- Both youth associations (Roseville and Mahtomedi) were brought together to discuss
- Sections approve; if Section thinks we're too much of a powerhouse, can disband the co-op
- Despite this, both sides would like to agree upon a 5-year term for the co-op
 - This will include an Out Clause: that either party can terminate the agreement with a minimum of a 1-year notice, should one party want to disband the co-op sooner than the 5-year term
 - This must be a written notice
 - There is no penalty, should this occur
- This is being brought up so soon, because this is the last year of Mahtomedi President
- Verbiage will be updated and may come out in January

2023/2024 Season Planning - *Dave Scott*

- Open forum to talk about a subcommittee structure: similar to DEI and goalie sub committees
- The idea is the subcommittees would allow more work to be done behind the scenes and spend less time during board meetings
- Would suggest a Finance sub committee to spend some dedicated time on finances: part of this would be to attend monthly audits at the bingo hall
- Some sub committees could be ongoing, some would be time bound (tryouts, coaches, etc.)

- Should we have a Jersey committee?
 - Would be helpful to have 3rd or 4th jersey options available to choose from, so that several new design options are not proposed by other teams: this would need to happen early summer
 - Squirt options this year: had the option to keep legacy number or change number, put last names on jerseys
- How are we going to decide on who would be in the sub committees?
- Might need deadlines for subcommittee to present updates during board meetings, to keep accountability
- Do people need to be regularly attending board meetings in order to be on a subcommittee
 - Tryouts may need a subcommittee
- Could we consider putting Directors in a subcommittee role?
- Can we get an ice scheduling sub committee to help understand ice time not getting used?
- Can we start to send communications out to get volunteers for the Squirt playoff tournament?

Director Reports (7:40-8:00)

CEO/President

- Thursday Justin will meet with the director of OJ to get the shooting gallery fixed
- Oval is having their NYE event

Registrar

- 5 traveling coaches left to renew their coach requirements

Registration

- Please use Email for Crossbar/registration questions hockeyregistration@rayha.org

Boys Traveling Director Hockey

D2 Rep

- Starting to plan for Year End tournaments (8)
- Will plan with John and Jon about Squirt A tournament

Vice President

Girls Traveling Director

8U Director

10U Director

12U Director

15U Director

Coaches Director

Bantam

Pee Wee

Squirts

1st Skate

Diversity Equity, and Inclusion Director

Safesport

Goalie

- Cleaned out the old pads and got a small credit with some returned pads to play it again sports
- Mites will use the funds for a goalie helmet

Mites Coordinators

- Starting to think about Jamboree
- Would like to start getting into the swing of things for goalies

Ice Scheduler

Director of Operations

- Ice utilization is not being communicated, if ice time is not being used need to communicate
- Also if 7am practice time is not getting used, can teams communicate to rink, so rink attendant doesn't have to be there
- How do we capture ice time not getting used?
 - There are some situations where ice can't be used based on the length of certain ice times, like 90-minute games, so this can be very difficult to track
 - It would be nice to have some sort of method to ensure ice time is being used
 - Can we have an auditor come around to determine if ice time is being used?
 - It would be great try to schedule away scrimmages when your team doesn't have solo home ice, so we don't lose money on ice time being dropped: we burned \$6,000 of ice time in November
 - Need an ice scheduler subcommittee
 - For teams that no show ice times, should the money be taken out of their team funds? Not enough is known
 - Some teams are being scheduled longer than an hour and don't know the ice is
- How long are the current Ice schedulers committed for the role? Need to check in with them

Player Development

- Bantam C checking clinic is scheduled (2 hours on ice @ OJ)
- Mites have AJ, OS and Scott Steffen running skills
- Feedback was provided to wrong vendor

Friends of the Oval

Sponsorship

Fundraising

High School Liaisons

Jr. Gold

Announcements

- Bill was sent to Mahtomedi for their half of the tournaments nice and early

Adjournment 7:26 PM