

WEHA Board Meeting Notes 8/16/23

Sarah

Bill

Rob

Gary

Jay

Josh

Jeff

Andy

Joey

Chris Baer

Ben Cowan-Gunnison Parks and Rec

Call to order 7:03

July minutes approved

Rink updates

CB Rink

- Skate park will be done next week
- Bathroom still an issue. No covered walkway. Will not be accessible with skates.
- Nordic Center will remain open on hockey nights.
- Congrats to Jack and new baby. He is on paternity leave.

Gunnison

- 15 new dasher panels on outdoor rink
- Boards cleaned.
- Old Zam is gone.
- 2 zams in service. One is a new electric Zamboni. Need ice to really test out but will drive it around in the next few weeks.
- Charging ports installed and ready
- Summer skate nights-96 people last week.

ED Report

- Website up and running. 48 youth and 11 adults registered.
- Summer Skates great program. Looking for a sponsor for next summer. Breaks even @ best.
- HS Fall hockey looking good. 23 families attended the preseason meeting.
- 3 tournaments and 6 practice dates.



Bill Frame
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Summer Skate Sessions – GJ- 8/12 – Final Skate – Program is great, may need sponsor!

70 registrations total, total revenue \$4,245

Ice costs \$3,090 plus coach expenses (2 goalie coaches @ \$100 per session = \$300

Cody's agreement with AP) New goalie coach in Gunnison Justin Biehl

Joey ran 2nd Session all 3 weeks = 6 hours plus 2 hours on ice with younger kids

Katie ran 1st Session Weeks 1 & 2

Shorty ran 1st Session Week 3 and was on ice for other Session 1 Weeks 1 & 2

Shane helped coach Session 2 Weeks 1 & 3

Oakie helped coach Session 2 Weeks 2 & 3

Brad helped coach goalies both Sessions Weeks 1, 2 & 3

Chris Mochulsky coached both Sessions Week 3

Crossbar – The website is live for registrations, will continue to add to it and am looking for feedback or suggestions. The Mobile App seems to be great, need people to register and sign up for the App to utilize it for scheduling and communication

Fall HS Hockey & HS Hockey – New CB AD is Abby McDonnell and the new Head Coach is Joey Otsuka, Assistant Coach – Shane McGuinness. 20 participants with 3 more anticipated to sign up

Recruiting Coaches – All age groups – need Boards input on coach's stipend and coaches' expenses we want to cover – ongoing conversation

WEHA Coaches as of today:

Fall HS	Head Coach - Joey Otsuka
	Asst Coach – Shane McGuinness
Bantam A	Head Coach – Chris Mochulsky
	Asst Coach – Paul O'Connor
U19 Girls	Head Coach – Joel Aslanian (?)
	Asst Coach – Matt Schwartz (?) Erin Kelly (?) Hannah Valian – no, Lisa Lynch, Alex?
Pewees A	Head Coach – Mark "Shorty" Kintz
	Asst Coach – John Talbert
Pewees B	Head Coach – Shorty
	Asst Coach –
Squirts A	Head Coach – Katie Brawner
	Asst Coach - TC Collins
Squirts B	Head Coach – Katie Brawner
	Asst Coach – John Funke
U8 Fall	Head Coach – Haley Craven
	Asst Coach
U6 Fall	Head Coach – Bill Frame
	Asst Coach

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Adult Leagues – Shooting for more equity in the teams, Investigating the option of pulling the Adult Leagues out of USA Hockey ongoing but very involved

Sponsors – Great response to Board assistance in thanking and recognizing past sponsors! Have about \$20,000 verbally committed, will start invoicing early next week! If the Board has connections to specific Sponsors, we need to capitalize on that! Dasher boards and rink banners are pretty much maxed out at the Gunny rink, new donors may need other options for support recognition?

Donations & Grants – Got a \$1,000 cash donation from Pando Telecom friend of GH's plus a \$1,300 grant from the CB Rotary, still applying for the NPI Grant but the net may only be \$10,000 for WEHA operations after expenses, depends on wording and the grant review

MetRec Grant – Talking with Derrick Nehrenberg – Looks like our funding cycle will be October to September, \$20,000/YR for 3 years, possibility to request more funding for staff, liked our grant request and thought there was room for support going forward if presented correctly, thought we were pretty lean and mean and possibly short on staff?

Social Media – Dealing with a WSC graduate who has some good ideas and is willing to handle our social media for accounts for \$15/post, also have some parents interested in handling simple posts as their volunteer hours? Not sure how many people we want to have access to our social media Accounts?

September Board Meeting – In-person meeting? TBD Location/Time

Treasurers Report

- Budget looks good. Losses this month are timing related.
- Thank you again to Bill and Jeff for your grant writing efforts and success.

Gunnison will host and officiating clinic Oct7-8. Levels 1-3.

Mile High Mites Program in place for this fall.

DTP for squirts and peewees. End of October. Early Nov. Hoping for 5 teams in each category.

Adult league schedule getting worked out depending on numbers. One sheet makes for limited ice slots.

C-League will be adjusted to reflect our across the board increase from last years fees.

Heaters are getting fixed at Jorgensen.

Next meeting is in person. Gunnison Rec Center 7am 9/13/23

Meeting adjourned 8:03

We had a special presentation from Gunnison Parks and Rec regarding the 2032 sunset tax. Good presentation. This tax is very important to the fiscal health of WEHA and the Ice rink. More info to come soon.