



## ACYHA Board of Directors Monthly Meeting Minutes September 2014

**Meeting Type:** Monthly Meeting  
**Date:** September 8, 2014  
**Time:** 6:30 pm  
**Location:** New Hope Ice Arena - Meeting Room #1

<b>Attendees:</b>	P	Kirk Anderson	P	Beth Battina	P	Eric Jeffreys-Berns	P	Kevin Conway
	P	Crissy Ginther	P	Scott Graul	P	Jon Hill	P	Buck Humphrey
	P	Tawnia Johnson	P	Mark Lucas	P	Jerry Mlekoday	E	Derek Olson
	P	Carrie Potter	P	Derrick Raymond	P	Julie Ann Schmidt	P	Carla Schoenberg
	P	Jenn Sondrall	P	Bob Sticha	E	Sara Subby		

<b>Add'l Reps:</b>	P	Jon Champion	P	Tracee deNeui			
	A	Absent	E	Excused	P	Present	

**Guests:** P Bob Kruse

**Topics:**

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Call to Order           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Meeting called to order at 6:30pm</i></li> </ul> </li> <li>2) Roll call           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Attendance taken; results indicated above.</i></li> </ul> </li> <li>3) Approval of Meeting Minutes           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Approval of August 2014 Meeting Minutes</i><br/> <i>The conversation about how the cost for registration for Jr. Gold was obtained was left out of the minutes. Julie Ann Schmidt made a motion to approve the minutes with the addition of the Jr. Gold pricing info in the minutes. Kevin Conway seconds. All in favor – no opposed. Motion passes.</i></li> <li>• <i>On the topic of Jr. Gold, discussion began regarding pricing and how to effectively communicate this to the membership. We have time to work out some details, but felt that the pricing info should be set now so families can prepare. Derrick Raymond made a motion to approve the cost of \$800 for registration fee for the Jr. Gold program. Jenn Sondrall seconds. Discussion – some questions that arose were:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>How many skaters are we expecting in the Jr. Gold program?</i></li> <li>- <i>Will there be try-outs?</i></li> <li>- <i>How many teams will we have?</i></li> </ul> <i>These questions and any others will likely be answered by next month, but the answers mainly revolve around how many we get to register. Numbers will drive a lot of how the program will be run. Vote was taken, all were in favor of the price for registration – no one opposed. Motion passes.</i> </li> </ul> </li> <li>4) Presentation from Bob Kruse of General Sports           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Bob presented his company, General Sports, who handles apparel, as well as equipment for many hockey Associations. The high school program used them to purchase their new jerseys this year. General Sports has an online store that would have an ordering window open for a week at a time, similar to what Letterman has offered us in the past. General Sports is located in Edina and wouldn't stock anything in the store unless we requested them to do so.</i></li> </ul> </li> <li>5) Reports/Updates           <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Charitable Gambling Manager               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Charitable Gambling report                   <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) <i>Checkbook balance at the end of August 31, 2014 - \$41,642.51</i></li> <li>(2) <i>Profit for August 2014 - \$23,723.26</i></li> <li>(3) <i>Revenue in Aug \$64K, July \$64K, June \$61K, May \$74K, Apr \$87K, Mar \$103K, Feb \$61K, Jan \$83K, Dec \$78K.</i></li> </ol> </li> </ol> </li> </ol> </li> </ol> | <p><b>Presenter(s):</b></p> <p>Scott Graul</p> <p>Beth Battina</p> <p>Beth Battina</p> <p>Bob Kruse</p> <p>Tracee deNeui</p> |
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- (4) *Closed Outtakes a couple of days early on 8/13/14. Left on good terms with the owner, Sean. Thanks again to Kevin Conway, Kirk and Brady Anderson, Mark Lucas and Cody deNeui for helping. It was a BIG job to get the booth out of Outtakes, to Pub 42 and then getting the other booth over to the storage unit. I appreciate all the help!*
- (5) *Have everything together for our annual audit. Jere Bartz will be getting all the info from me in the next week or so. He will then report his findings in a meeting later in the fall.*
- (6) *GOOD NEWS! We got the Lodge in Robbinsdale as our newest site! Will take over on October 1<sup>st</sup>. We will run 2 Bingos a week and 2 meat raffles as well. Looks like that site has a lot of potential and does well now.*
- (7) *Also, have a lease for New Hope Bowl. That should go through with no problem as well and looking at a start date in November for that site.*

ii) **Monthly approvals**

- (1) *Approval for expenses for October 2014 - \$43,200.*
- (2) *Approval to pay August 2014 taxes to the City of St. Louis Park - \$250.00*
- (3) *Approval to make a payment to the City of New Hope in the amount of \$20,000 for an ice time payment.*
  - *Motion was made by Beth Battina to approve the gambling report. Kevin Conway seconds. All in favor – no opposed. Motion passes.*

b) **ACE and Coaches Coordinator(s)**

Jon Hill

- *Coach Recommendations:  
Bantam A – Stephen Perry  
Bantam B or C – Matthew Fahrney  
Pee Wee B1 – Ben Schultz & Ryan Anderson  
U10 – Michelle Tanner  
Kevin Conway makes a motion to approve the slate of coaches ACE has presented. Derrick Raymond seconds. Discussion – Jon Hill briefly spoke about each of the candidates. Vote – all in favor, no opposed. Motion passes.*

c) **D3 Representative**

Kevin Conway

- *D3 Update:*
  - *Informed D3 of upcoming events at our ice arena.*
  - *Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> – clinics for Level 3's. Level 1 and 2's will be Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>.*
  - *Need to make sure our by-laws are easily accessible on our website.*
  - *Affiliate agreement with D6 in reference to "AA" – D3 will play each of our teams only once.*
  - *2014-15 Calendar is on the D3 website.*
  - *Tournament Directors meeting scheduled for Sept. 24<sup>th</sup> at NHIA at 7pm.*
  - *ACE Coordinators – Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> – 2 hours class time plus ice time on ADM training. Posted online at BIG. CEP training already open for registration 10/12, 11/9 and 12/14.*
  - *Report from MN Hockey – Derek Rickie: Membership Development-2<sup>nd</sup> largest Mite registration ever as a group was after the 2010 Olympics and is noticeable after the Wild make playoffs. Checking clinics-ADM clinics-checking progression. \$120.00 4 hours and being held at PIC.*
  - *Girls Coordinator meeting – discussed unbalanced U12B leagues – no one was interested. Talk of merging D6 and D3 girls programs. More to come on this topic.*
  - *SafeSport – Online SafeSport training is now available. Coaches, Board Members to complete by 12/31/14. This includes background check and SafeSport. If not completed then you will be a "spectator" until completed. USA Hockey recommends suspending the entire year. MN Hockey is leaving that up to the District Presidents. As of now, D3 will allow to be completed after 12/31/14 but you can't participate with team until completed. If you completed last year you don't need to complete this year. This also includes Team Managers and locker room attendants. Scott Gray from MN Hockey will come to our Association and give an hour and a half presentation covering SafeSport. Need to print our certificate and have on file.*

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- *ACYHA was awarded the U12A National Regional Tournament. February 27<sup>th</sup> – March 1<sup>st</sup>.*
  - *Ice Scheduler Compensation – Kevin brought to the board on behalf of Derek Olson to discuss compensation for Derek in the form of cash instead of credit for registration fees. Due to ACYHA not having a U14 team this season, Derek will not have a child in the Association. Discussion – the board reviewed the minutes from the June 2014 meeting where we voted on compensation for the Ice Scheduler position. We also reviewed the by-laws and read that cash payments are acceptable and based on what we voted on in June, we determined that this needs no further action as our vote in June allows for Derek to be paid cash vs. registration compensation. Kevin Conway made a motion to amend the June vote to pay Derek the equivalent of one skater’s registration and since his daughter would have registered as a U14, the compensation should be equal to that - \$1300.*
- d) Youth Director Scott Graul
- *Danny has submitted his final proposal for the Sunday Dryland training. The latest and final proposal actually saves you \$600. Overspeed will provide:12:00 - 4:00 PM for 24 week season: 1 supervising staff for 4 hours @ \$50.00 per hour= \$4,800.*
  - *Conditional waiver for Nick Haugen – North Metro doesn’t have a Pee Wee A team for him to play on – he’d like to waive into ACYHA and try out for our Pee Wee A team. If he doesn’t make the team, then he’d go back to play for North Metro. The family will make one payment to us and if he doesn’t make it then we’d refund him the payment minus \$250 to help offset the cost of the camp.*
- e) Equipment Manager Kirk Anderson
- *No report.*
- f) Player Development Committee (PDC) Jon Champion
- *PDC has been busy scheduling camp. Camp starts Monday the 15<sup>th</sup> for Bantam, Pee Wee and U12. Danny Charleston will be heading up the boys camp and Kevin Gray the girls camp. There will be pods assigned for camp again this year. They are just small teams grouped together based on like skill levels. It makes it better for the kids to play with their skill level. The PDC creates the pods based on past years and coach feedback. The pod level has no bearing on evaluations.*
  - *Evaluation committee has been meeting and working on getting evaluations set up.*
  - *Working on skill progression with coaches.*
- g) Mite Coordinator Derrick Raymond
- *No report*
- h) Boys’ Travel Coordinator Bob Sticha
- *Grade waiver for Henry Dimich – Bob Sticha made a motion to approve and Jerry Mlekoday seconds. All in favor – no opposed. Motion passes.*
  - *Zach Peterson requested a waiver out of ACYHA to play with Hopkins where he goes to school.*
  - *Matthew Fastbender requested a waiver out of ACYHA to play with Orono where he goes to school.*
  - *Working with North Metro at the Bantam level – they may have 2-5 players that need a place to play.*
- i) Girls’ Travel Coordinator Jerry Mlekoday
- *There will not be a U14 team here this season. Only 5 girls left so there is not enough to have a team. Osseo Maple Grove has agreed to take them again.*
  - *Quite a few new players coming to the girls program at the lower levels this year!*
- j) Tournament Director Jenn Sondrall
- *Tournaments are filling up faster than last year. We still have a few openings to fill – mostly for girl’s teams. They seem to register later.*
  - *New Hope Invitational: Bantam A – FULL, Pee Wee A – FULL, U12A – Need 4 more teams*
  - *Knockdown at New Hope: Pee Wee B2 – Need 3 more teams, U12B – Need 4 more teams*
  - *Squirt C & B2 Tournament: Squirt C – FULL, Squirt B2 – Need 1 more team*
  - *Committee will be focusing on finding teams to fill the remaining spots.*

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- k) Volunteer Coordinator Sara Subby
- *No report*
- l) Registrar Crissy Ginther
- *Registration is at 226 skaters. Bantam – 23, Pee Wee – 38, U12 – 18, Squirt – 34, U10 – 12 and Mites – 101. Fifteen coaches have signed up.*
  - *Crissy received an email from USA Hockey Registrar – a recap about training for coaches. They only need to have background checks every two years. Since they all did it last year, they aren't required to this year.*
- m) Ice Coordinator/Website Administrator Derek Olson/Mark Lucas
- *All camp & evaluation ice is scheduled on all level's calendars.*
  - *First game scheduling for Bantams and U12's is Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>.*
- n) Treasurer Eric Jeffreys-Berns
- *Eric provided the board with a financial recap. Admin account is over budget due to the tunnel purchase and a \$10,000 ice time payment.*
- o) Marketing & Fundraising Coordinator Carla Schoenberg
- *Has been looking into Script cards for a fundraising opportunity. Would like to just run it for the month of November to get Christmas sales in. Would ideally like to have a portion go to the Association and a portion go to the team to help offset team fees.*
- p) Concessions Director Tawnia Johnson
- *It was discovered that a rent payment wasn't made for December of 2010. Will have an extra payment this month due to that.*
  - *The BBQ made \$232*
  - *August 2014 Balances: \$3384.37 – Quickbooks, \$5094.39 – bank balance*
- q) Recruiting & Retention Coordinator Carrie Potter
- *Try Hockey for Free was a HUGE success! A lot of new kids showed up and had lots of kids on the ice. There is a lot of interest in girls hockey.*
- r) At-Large Member Julie Ann Schmidt
- *Still working on job descriptions – will do a couple per month and bring them to the board as she revises them.*
  - *Will work on getting more info on the SafeSport role and get that out as well too so we can look for a candidate.*
- s) Secretary Beth Battina
- *Apparel – do we want to stick with Letterman? Move to General Sports? Provided the board with new items available to us through Letterman. Will research to see if Letterman will charge us for a change in logo. We would like to use the new logo that the high school has adapted if possible.*
  - *Photos – no longer have space where we used to do photos due to the dryland facility. Will invite Sports Star Photos to come out and scope out a spot for them to do photos this year.*
- t) Assistant Youth Director Buck Humphrey
- *No report*
- 6) Adjourn
- *Meeting adjourned at 8:54pm.*

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Future Meetings		
Meeting Date:	Materials Due*:	Materials Distributed:
<b>October 13</b>	<b>8:00 pm Oct 2</b>	<b>8:00 am Oct 3</b>
November 10	8:00 pm Nov 6	8:00 am Nov 7
December 8	8:00 pm Dec 4	8:00 am Dec 5
January 12	8:00 pm Jan 8	8:00 am Jan 9
<b>Agenda items/Report in absentia:</b>		
<p><i>*Effective May 2012:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>1. Action or discussion items must be sent to the Secretary no later than 8:00 pm on the Thursday preceding the board meeting. <a href="mailto:bethbattina@gmail.com">bethbattina@gmail.com</a></i></li> <li><i>2. Board packet (agenda, action/discussion items, reports) will be distributed no later than 8:00 am on the Friday preceding the Board meeting.</i></li> <li><i>3. Unexcused absences will be noted and may result in suspension of board voting privileges. An absence shall be considered excused if notice is provided to any officer, the Secretary of the Association, or the committee chairperson responsible for the Association function.</i></li> </ol>		

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