

**West Fargo Hockey Association
Board of Directors Meeting
August 18, 2014
Veterans Memorial Arena
West Fargo, North Dakota – 6:00 p.m.**

1. Call to Order: President Nissen called meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.
2. Attendance: Board members in attendance were: Matt Bradley, Joel Cummings, Scott Krank, Tim Nissen, Robb Peterson, Mike Prochnow, Stephanie Strand, Matt Weber, Jay Ystebo and Business Manager, Mark Lester. Absent: Ryan Clouse. Guests: Jennifer Coles
3. Reading and Approval of Minutes of the July 21, 2014, Meeting: Mike Prochnow made a motion to approve the minutes. Matt Weber seconded motion. Motion carried and the minutes were approved.
4. Unfinished Business: None
5. Financial Report & Gaming Update:
 - A. Financial Update – Mark Lester: Current cash balance as of August 2014, is \$491,279.68. Scott Krank made a motion to approve the cash balance and financials. Mike Prochnow seconded motion. Motion carried.
 - B. Gaming Update – Tina Iverson: Absent, no report.
 - C. Financials: Mark Lester stated O’Leary’s has been in operation for over a month and has outnumbered the sales from the previous sites. B-Seen will be taking on jersey sales. July was the end of the Fiscal Year, it’s been a calm month. Gaming is at 11% for July, this is due to the Speedway shut down and the opening of O’Leary’s. Board stipends have been mailed.
6. Hockey Operations: President Nissen stated coach positions are getting close to being filled. Once coach is needed for Bantams; Peewees has two extra coaches; Squirts need more coaches if the number of teams increase. Tim Capouch has majority of the game dates scheduled. He is working with Fargo for tryouts, a possibility to incorporate scrimmages. October 24 is the first day of tryouts. Mike Prochnow stated he met with Phil Faught in the dryland room. Phil thinks the dryland facility would suffice. Equipment is needed for weight training. Mike will be meeting with Barb from West Fargo Parks to see if track can be used. Per Phil, only one team at a time would work in the dryland room, and sessions would be 45 minutes in length. Peewees

and up including girls would have one morning practice of full ice; evening practices would be shared. Discussion held regarding the supervision of dryland sessions.

7. Coordinators Updates:

- A. Termite & Mite – Jade Nelson: Absent, no report.
 - B. Squirt - Ryan Griggs: Absent, no report.
 - C. PeeWee – Jason Triplett: Absent, no report.
 - D. Bantam – Dave Benson: Absent, no update.
 - E. Girls Teams - Pat Johnson: Absent, no report.
8. Board Vote on New Member: President Nissen stated Jennifer Coles and Lance Belisle posed interest in the opening position. Bios were previously sent to the board. Lance Belisle was unanimously voted by the board members to fill the open position. Vote tallies were: 6 votes for Lance Belisle and 2 votes for Jennifer Coles.
9. Pictures: Matt Bradley stated he spoke with BOT. Picture night will be scheduled the week of November 10.
10. 10,000 Shot Club: Joel Cummings stated 264,000 shots have been recorded; Girls 14U are out numbering the shots, they are averaging 13,000 shots.
11. Future Ice: Mike Prochnow stated he spoke with Mark Hartel, they are offering one rink at the UPC Center for \$1-2 million. Additional ice will be offered to Fargo.
12. Summer Ice (Vets Arena): President Nissen stated he spoke with Lance Belisle and Jamie Olson due to the decline in ice usage. West Fargo Parks would like 400 hours from June to end of August. Possible ways of having the hours needed would be: adding additional camps to gain more hours (i.e. goalie camps, speed/skating skills camps), 3 hours each day for open hockey, purchasing ice and having it available for purchase on the WFHA website (can be rented for tournaments, summer team practices, independent ice rental, etc.).
13. Registration: Stephanie Strand stated 395 have registered. There are 5 players who have submitted scholarship applications (families were informed applications will be reviewed at the September meeting). Forty-one have registered for Intro to Hockey.

14. Board Member Expectations/Assignments: No report.

15. Volunteers: No report.

16. DIBS: Scott Krank stated he will be meeting with Ryan Clouse to go over the process for DIBS.

17. Fundraising:

- A. Host Tournaments – Jay Ystebo/Ryan Clouse: Jay Ystebo stated tournaments are ready to go; filling out forms for the State and USAH. Scott Krank stated the registration is open on website. Mike Prochnow stated the Squirt International is 4 weekends in length this season.
- B. Fall Raffle – Matt Weber/Matt Bradley: Matt Bradley stated there are different ideas for prizes this year and the final turn in for the tickets will be January 12. President Nissen stated some items will be secured and tickets need to be ready to hand out in the fall.
- C. Pizza – Joel Cummings/Matt Bradley: Joel Cummings stated an update will be provided at the September meeting. Same turn in and deliver/pick-up time as last season.
- D. Gun Raffle – Mike Prochnow/Mark Lester: Mark Lester stated a Gun Raffle Committee meeting was held. The committee would like to stay at 300 guns and to work on perfecting the banquet. Mike Prochnow stated tickets will be available on September 30.

Center Ice – Tim Nissen/Robb Peterson: Robb Peterson stated ticket sales seem to be going fairly well. A total of 365 tickets were printed. Door prizes are coming along, another meeting will be held in a couple of weeks. The goal is to sell 350 tickets.
- E. Marketing – Jay Ystebo/Matt Bradley: Jay Ystebo stated there are interests in dasher boards; not as many options as in the past (advertisement in tourney books no longer exist). President Nissen stated a proposal came back from Play It Again for apparel. Discussion held. Matt Weber made a motion to accept the bid from Play It Again, exclusive on warm-ups, bags and water bottles. Embroidery will be contracted with a different vendor. Joel Cummings seconded motion. Motion carried.
- F. Grow the Game – Robb Peterson/Jay Ystebo: No report.

18. New Business:

19. Adjournment: Scott Krank moved to adjourn the meeting and Robb Peterson seconded motion. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m. Next meeting will be September 15, at the Veterans Memorial Arena, at 6:00 p.m.