

Worthington Hockey Association
January 4, 2016

Members Present: Chad Henderson, Jason Johnson, Kyle Johnson, Scott Langerud, Josh Langseth, Tracie Luinenberg, Sarah Nickel, Deb Olsen, Darrel Ponto, Cliff Shreiner, Joe Vosburgh

Excused Absent: Kevin Black,

Absent: None

Others Present: Eric Pedersen & Kris Hohensee

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by President Darrel Ponto

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Kyle Johnson to accept the minutes of the December 7, 2015 meeting with the addition of the details from the December 17th 2015 email motion and approval, seconded by Deb Olsen and unanimously supported. Motion carried.

Finance Report: Cliff Shreiner reported. Account balances as of December 31, 2015 were as follows: General Fund \$26,517.26, Fundraising \$16,701.27, Savings \$36,171.05, Capital Campaign \$23,922.21, Wombats \$1,735.52. Net income for December was \$8,470.14 and year to date is \$61,523.75. The electronic air tester just over \$700. \$3,015 was spent on rental skates. All but one check has cleared for registration. A motion was made by Deb Olsen to approve the finance report subject to audit, seconded by Chad Henderson and unanimously supported. Motion carried.

Pull Tab Report: Deb Olsen Reported. Allowable expenses for January 2016 were \$3,009.00, which includes games, maintenance, rent, stamps, checks & bonding. Lawful purpose expense was \$4,823.88 (3% tax to the city of Worthington & Worthington Public Utility bill) plus gas bill. November 2015 profit and loss were as follows: the Tap had a profit of \$2,014.16, Hickory Lodge had a profit of \$641.99, for a total profit of \$2,656.15. The bank balance as of November 30, 2015 was \$3,843.66. A motion was made by Scott Langerud to accept the pull tab report as presented subject to audit, seconded by Cliff Shreiner and unanimously supported. Motion carried.

Ace Coordinator: Kyle Johnson reported. No big complaints or parent issues at any level. Hopefully this continues. All rosters are set. Cliff had dealt with some issues. Kyle will touch base with Elias (the peewee coach)

Committee Reports: The spring raffle planning will start soon. Idea's is interested in selling items for the prizes at half the regular cost. Tina Nickel is interested in helping with this. She will speak with Diana Nelson about helping as well. Kyle mentioned that the girls varsity has different color helmets. It is High School policy that all uniforms are the same. This includes helmets.

Arena Manager Update: Eric Pedersen reported. Everything seems to be running smooth. The men's bathroom has a urinal that is not flushing properly. Scott Langerud fixed one of them. Kris Hohensee has industrial double faced tape that can be used to adhere the mats going out to the ice. Eric would like to see new bleachers at the arena. It was discussed they can be repaired but if replaced they all have to be replaced. They are grandfathered in right now. Darrel asked if anyone is willing to look into the cost of bleachers. Eric and Scott will get pictures and dimensions to a company who he has worked with in the past. Sarah will find the quote that was gotten for the bleachers in the past.

Old Business:

Concession Stand Update: As of December 31st the current income is \$11,958 and expense is \$8,512. Last year at this time income was at \$13,954 and expense at \$8,098. One reason for the fall in net income is that there have not been as many home games to date this year. Waste was also spoken about (pretzels/hotdogs etc.) Kris would like to define what referees are able to get from the concession stand for free. This has been abused. It was decided that each referee may have one candy bar and one drink per game.

MN Department of Health Indoor Air Quality: The WHA has received a fine of \$2,500. If all things requested done within 30 days there will be a \$500 forgiveness but \$2,000 will not be forgiven due to past and current actions. A hearing can be requested. The letter was received on the 15th of December. The annual form required to be filled out each year has not been filled out since 2009. Everything is currently up to date. Cliff will pay the \$2,000 fine from the general account.

Open Hockey Liability: Jason read the insurance policy for USA hockey. Eric reported that there has been some ice time open to the public to play hockey. 18 years & under require full pads with no exceptions. 18 & over requires a helmet. Eric believes that liability waivers do not hold up in court. Darrel stated that Nickel & associates informed him that there are inherent risks for participants. Rules should be put up in the arena so that each participant can review.

Edger Update: Air quality tests have not reported anything. There are no concerns with air quality. This is great news.

Winterfest Update: Jason Johnson reported. The weather has resulted in questionable ice on the lake. There should be a backup plan in case the pond hockey tournament cannot be on the lake. The arena is open from 1-5 on the 23rd. This will be plan "B." Jason will work on planning what volunteers are needed and how many.

Hockey Programming: Tracie & Kevin put together a proposal for player development. They broke it down into three options with pros & cons; #1 Use current staff (Varsity coaches, Ace coordinator, coaches etc.), #2 Contract or Hire an Outside Agency, #3 Overall Coach or Team Leader. Kris Hohensee has contacts through MN Hockey that are willing to help through MN Hockey for free. A hockey coordinator seemed like a good idea. There was a long discussion on how to move forward. Tracie & Kevin will meet with the Varsity coaches, Darrel, Kyle & Andrew Bromburg. Player respect issues were discussed. A contract was discussed for players and parents. Utilizing the resources we have is important.

Grant Applications: There are none at this point being worked on. We have an adequate amount of rental equipment and have grant money.

New Business:

Three Strike Policy: There are some kids who have some strikes already. Eric has had issues with hockey and non hockey players.

Player leaving mid season policy: Registrations are final. Volunteer hours and calendar/raffle sales are prorated.

Advertising: Scott will work on getting new advertisers. He & Kevin are in charge of this. The list of advertisers was compared to the current boards up.

Kris discussed the Squirt year end Jamboree. This will consist of two – six team tournaments. Next year's tournaments are already being planned. District 4 is hosting big tournaments next year. 12U B

American league regional tournament will be hosted by Worthington next year. This will consist of 8 teams.

The next meeting will be Monday, February 1, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Cliff Shreiner to adjourn the meeting at 9:47, seconded Kyle Johnson and unanimously supported. Motion carried

Respectfully Submitted
Jason M. Johnson
Secretary