

**East Grand Forks Blue Line Club**  
**General & Board Meeting Minutes**

**Banquet Room Downstairs at Whitey's February, 24<sup>th</sup> 2016**

**Members present:** Matt Fore, Randy Anderson, Tony Weber, Linda Emery, Craig Magnell, Paul Rasmussen, Chip Shea, Denae Grove, James Olson, Diane Olson, Chris Reak, Jim Enright, Traci Plante, Mark Dragich, Kent Wavra, Katie Boespflug, Dave Aker, Lori Wolff, Abby Amundson, Nicole Pape

Meeting called to order at 7:34pm

**-Review of the minutes** from the January 20, 2016 meeting. Motion to approve made by Matt Fore. Second by Randy Anderson. Motion carried

**-Treasurers Report** given by Linda Emery. Motion to approve made by Traci Plante. Second by Jim Enright. Motion carried.

**-Gaming report** given by James Olson. Liberty would like different boxes for the pull tabs. New ones are about \$225 each and we could sell the old ones for \$50-\$75 each. Motion to purchase 3 new boxes at \$250 each and sell the old ones or receive credit for them made by Tony Weber. Second by Jim Enright. Motion carried. Motion to approve payment for 2 meals per player on high school team and 1 meal per player + supplies (Gatorade, snacks, etc.) on youth teams going to their State Tournaments made by Jim Enright. Second by Traci Plante. Motion carried. Funds to come from the gaming account. Motion to approve overall gaming report made by Tony Weber. Second by Mark Dragich. Motion carried.

**-Concession Report** given by Paul Rasmussen on behalf of Sarah. Great numbers! Motion to approve concession report made by Matt Fore. Second by Randy Anderson. Motion carried.

**-Civic Center warming area-** TVs are installed. They were donated by Dakota TV & Appliance.

-Tables and counters look great. Lots of comments. Thanks Tony!

-Pictures- Matt is still searching. Possibly put a sign up somewhere asking the public or help locating more pictures was discussed. He has a lot of feelers out, but not a lot of response yet. Possibly make pictures?

-Advertising-Citizen Community Credit Union boards are up and contract in place for next year.

-Zamboni seat promotion is going to be next season's project.

**-Ice Off Party-** Date is set for April 9' 2016 at the VFW Arena

-Ice will be off

-Prizes-Traci to send out a new list

-Bounce House/ Games-Linda will contact the people we used last year.

-Clothing Sales-Pepshop to set up a table or 2.

-Team Baskets-Contact Team parent reps to get one from each team.

-Whiteys bar- Tony to contact them.

-Food-Same as last year. Burgers and hotdogs.

-Entertainment-TV to be set up to watch the NCAA Men's Hockey Tournament.

**-Summer Workout Program**-Earlier mention of Sarah meeting with them teams, but no time left to do so. Perhaps send out a flyer. This year's program to be at the Civic Center.

**-VFW Arena** –Scoreboard Update-Received a bid on a new center board since running wiring to 2 end boards would get too costly. Daktronics quote for \$42,560 includes 2 small end clocks and bottom ad panels. City will not spend money on this. Dave Aker to research utility usage compared to the old one. Possibility of the Water & Light department sponsoring it?

-Banners are up and look good.

-Raised wheelchair viewing ramp-Dave Aker contacted the VFW committee to get funds to put towards the project and hasn't heard back. Bid of \$8,000 for the construction has been received.

**-Hockey School**-Brochures are out. Jim is sending more out this year and thanked the board for the off-ice training provided to the High School teams this season.

**-Dave Aker** requested a donation for hanging flowers/plants for the city. \$100/ \$250/ \$500? Board elected to table the request until the March meeting.

**-Scholarships**-Review all next meeting. BLC scholarship to be handled by Scholarship Committee. Bushy, Mack, Selk scholarships to be handled by the BLC. Motion to approve \$250 per qualified applicant according to the scholarship committee made by Linda Emery. Second by Jim Enright. Motion carried.

**-Mark Dragich Comments**-Request donate to Matt Olson from Totino Grace for injuries suffered in a Junior game. Motion to approve \$250 to his fund and an EGF Hockey sweatshirt made by Traci Plante. Second by Matt Fore. Motion carried.

-5 Teams advanced to regional tournaments. Squirts are in districts.

**-Open Discussion**- Denae Grove brought up the issue of Mite & Peanut parents are uninformed and not knowing how the BLC works. The BLC used to hold parent meetings at the beginning of each season to inform parents about what we do, but that hasn't happened in the past 2 years. We need to get back to doing that. Grove went on to say that the peanut Jamboree was a success and fun was had by all. Discussion about donating a hockey school session or 2 to the Mite and Peanut teams to draw amongst themselves. Motion to approve 1 hockey school session for the Mites and one for the Peanuts made by Abby Amundson. Second by Lori Wolff. Motion carried. Winners to pick up their prize at the Ice Off Party.

-Discussed the possibility of only opening the south stand in the Civic Center for youth games. Perhaps add a window to allow viewing towards the ice.

-New First aid kit is needed in the Blue Line Arena and a new whiteboard. Dave Aker to take care of this.

-**Door Prize winners**-Mark Dragich, Chip Shea, Nicole Pape

-**Motion to adjourn** made by Randy Anderson. Second by Jim Enright. Motion carried.

-Meeting adjourned at 8:46pm

-Next Meeting to be March 16, 2016 at Whitey's