

Rushmore Hockey Association General Membership Meeting

Date: 7/8/2024

Time: 6:00pm

Motion	First:	Second:	Time:
Call General Meeting to Order:	Brad Eggers		6:03
Previous Meeting Minutes Approval:	Cody Minnerath	Dan Laughlin	6:03
Meeting Agenda Minutes Approval:	Loren Jensen	Domnick Janitell	6:03
Meeting Adjourned:	Becky Mann	Cody Minnerath	7:21

Location: Thunderdome

Board Member	Present	Absent	Excused
Ben Nelson	x		
Brad Eggers	x		
Brad Lee			x
Cody Minnerath	x		
Corey Norris			x
Dan Krohn			x
Dan Laughlin	x		
Dave Bender			x
Domnick Janitell	x		
Joelle Neutzling	x		
Loren Jensen	x		
Megan Archer			x
Rachelle Williams			x
Rebecca Mann	x		
Ronda Simmons			x
Sandra Weaver			x
Shannon Wirth	x		
House Representative: Kent Bradley			x

Important Upcoming Event:	Date:
August Board Meeting 6:00 at The Moose Lodge	August 12, 2024

Report	Discussion	Follow Up
Presidents Report: Brad Eggers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Travel registration is currently open. As of today, we have 58 skaters registered, it is still early in the registration process. Travel registration deadline is 7/15. Rates increase by \$200 after this date. 	
House Report: Kent Bradley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Report waived, no house representative present at tonight's meeting. 	
Mite Program Michelle Valko- Updates/Requests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Michelle is planning to offer two parent meetings at the start of the season. They will be at The Rushmore Thunderdome or Moose Lodge (TBD). She will offer a facility tour. She is also planning on doing these on October 30th (Before season) and Nov 4th (first week of the season). She would like to invite Brad, Dan, Ronda, Joelle and any other board members to attend the parent meetings, along with the Mite coaches. 	Approval for Mite Tournaments in Gillette for all Mites and Candy Cup in Mitchell for our 8U players.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Fundraising Committee has been asked to attend Mite parent meetings to talk about Raise Right and other Volunteer opportunities. • Michelle is seeking approval for all mites to attend a tournament in Gillette and The Candy Cup Tournament in Mitchell. The Candy Cup is geared predominately for older kids moving into squirts the following year. • Funding for these tournaments will be used through the established mites' fund and future fundraising events. • Michelle requests a few preseason ice hours for returning mites. She will check Loren Jensen for dates. Mites must have coaches on the ice with skaters and line up a Zam driver. • Mite Coaching Clinics are now open, please let any coach know if you are interested. • Mites would like to work with recruitment and participate in Rush Fan Rest (Ronda will be the point of contact for this), Trick or Treat at The Box and Try Hockey for Free. 	
Camps - Robby Glantz, Riley Weselowski, Garrett Klotz	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Robby Glantz Skating Camp is now set for Nov 1-3, this was approved at last month's board meeting. • Riley Weselowski has requested to use RHA's dryland room August 12th to the 16th. Riley hosts his camp at Roosevelt but needs more space for dryland activities. The boards are scheduled to be replaced this same week, RHA could offer certain areas such as upstairs, dryland and bleachers. RHA will mark off the areas that cannot be used due to boards being installed. • Domnink Janitell motioned to approve the request for Riley to use the approved areas at the Thunderdome at no cost, Becky Mann 2nd the motion. This Passed with all in favor. • Garrett Klotz Is asking to use our facility for his conditioning camp again this year at an hourly rate of \$125 RHA will give him the dates that are currently open at the Thunderdome. 	
Policy Review and Updates: Brad Eggers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Play up Policy will be discussed at the August board meeting due to too many board members absent today. • At the August meeting the Volunteer Policy and Tryout Policy will be reviewed. • Neck Guards are mandatory per USA Hockey starting on Aug 1st. Neck guards must be worn anytime a skater is on the ice. This includes practices, open skates and games. • Refs will be pulling kids off the ice if they do not have them. 	Pro-Shop to stock neck guards in inventory.
Financial Report: Sandra Weaver	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report waived with Sandra Weaver absent at tonight's meeting. 	
Facilities Report: Cody Minnerath	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roofing company will start work soon. • Zam road asphalt project is set to start soon. • New Boards will be installed August 12th-13th. Boards have been shipped. • Ice is scheduled to be in on Sept 20th. • The cameras are all up and operating. 	

<p>Recruitment: Rachelle Williams</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brochures and Save the Date Cards for fundraisers have been made. • Some Banners are already up on Fairmont (by Harney Little League), more will be going up as we get closer to August 1st. 	<p>Banners to be brought to the Thunderdome to prep them to be hung up by August 1st.</p>
<p>Tournament: Corey Norris</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are several organizations interested in coming to Rapid City for our tournaments including Fort Collins, Tri-Cities and Colorado Springs. 	<p>List tournaments on RHA website.</p>
<p>Fundraising Report: Alissa Orban</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hart Ranch Fundraiser – The first one went well. RHA was able to raise \$1,000 by helping with parking, handing out programs, doing 50/50 and helping to clean up at the end of the night. Additional dates have been set for 7/24, 8/14. Volunteer hours are from 4pm-9pm. • Super Clean Car Wash – This fundraiser has been set aside for the girl’s program. Alissa will be working with the girls to get 6-10 people to volunteer on July 28th. There is a potential to raise \$2,000 for 2 hours’ worth of work. • The Mites will be hosting a Pizza Ranch fundraiser on 7/9/24. • There is a 5K currently being organized. • Alissa is still looking for options to replace wreath sales. • Alissa will be looking into a Watiki fundraiser opportunity. • Chase the Ace is still alive. Pot is at about \$18,000. In week 26 there were \$750-\$800 sales. • The Sabre’s have offered to host another Jersey Auction and raffle for us. • There are a lot of volunteer based fundraising opportunities out there, stay tuned on what this could look like. • Alisa is looking into ways for fundraiser money to be applied to registration. • The Fundraising Committee is always looking for more members and would love for more to join their team. • The question was asked if all preseason activities count toward Dib hours, Brad Eggers states that typically fundraising hours that benefit a single team do not count toward Dib hours. 	<p>Have Ronda Simmons add Alissa Orban to the Coordinators TeamReach for a communication lane to all coordinators about Fundraising events.</p>
<p>Ice Installation – Brad Eggers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Starting on Friday Sept 20th we will have skateable ice. • Ice will be open to all registered players, however there must be registered coaches present and Zam driver set up. 	
<p>Moose Lodge – Dan Laughlin</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Moose Lounge is not satisfied with their partnership with RHA. The Moose Lounge was under the impression RHA would start hosting events such as board meetings at their facility, but this has not happened. • RHA will be looking into opportunities to host meetings and events at their facility. • RHA would be open to posting The Mooses’ schedule at the Thunderdome. 	<p>Ronda Simmons to reach out to see how RHA can give back.</p>
<p>State Board Meeting - Dan</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The SDAHA meeting is next week. The topic of discussion will be regarding Sioux Falls requesting to register 1 Peewee and 1 Squirt team as travel only. They will not participate in regular SD league play. RHA will support Sioux Falls on this, there was no opposition from board. 	
<p>Questions from Parents about</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parents are looking for more opportunities for our skaters here in Rapid City. Other associations are hosting Legends and Goal Robber camps, 	

<p>Goalie Camps / Camo opportunities in Rapid</p>	<p>parents would like to see these types of camps offered in Rapid City. The board recommends parents start reaching out to these different camps and requesting them come to Rapid City. RHA will give any camps the same opportunities as we have given other camps. The hourly ice fee is set at \$125. At this time ice will be open between Sept 20th to Nov 1st. Calendar is starting to get booked with other camps.</p>	
<p>Roosevelt- Help with their Drop- In Hockey</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roosevelt management has reached out to RHA to see if any RHA coaches would be interested in helping monitor the ice during youth drop in on Wednesdays and Fridays from 3:45 to 4:45. • This could potentially turn into a fundraising opportunity for RHA. 	