

**Oahe Hockey Association
April 2017 Board Meeting Minutes
EXPO Center Board Room – Fort Pierre, SD
Monday, April 17, 2017**

Board President, Nathan Sanderson, called the April Board meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. CST.

Board Members Present: Tiffany Sanchez, Serena Swenson, Jon Herman, Rick Miller, Nathan Sanderson, Lee Axdahl, Lisa Lee, and Stephanie Lyons.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MARCH BOARD MEETING

President Sanderson called for a Motion to approve the March Board Meeting minutes, with an amended meeting location and scratch of \$750 in the Treasurer's report. Motion by Tiffany Sanchez. Second by Serena Swenson. Motion passed unanimously.

II. TREASURER'S REPORT – TIFFANY SANCHEZ

Tiffany recommended this year's coach stipends to be in the total amount of \$5,450 between our 10 OHA coaches. Lee Axdahl made a Motion to approve this recommendation. Second by Jon Herman. Motion passed unanimously.

Financials were handed out by Tiffany.

Mar 31 checking balance (Total OHA Funds): \$97,454.94

Restricted Funds: \$31,082.04

Total Funds Available (Cash Balance) as of Mar 31: \$66,372.90

Mar 1 – Mar 31 income \$16,140.68 : Concession - \$5,126.43; Gate - \$5,735;

Merchandise - \$40; Raffle - \$1,282.25; Registration - \$200; Signage - \$500;

Tournament Income - \$3,257

Mar 1 – Mar 31 expenses \$27,269.83 : Bank Chrg – Svc Fees - \$12; Board (Computer Software) - \$207.67; Coach - \$5,231.87; Concession - \$441.36; Insurance – \$699.92;

Loan Payment/PAYSA - \$3,375; Merchandise - \$101.70; PAYSA (Compressors) -

\$3,827.32; Phone DSL TV - \$205.49; Postage - \$11.35; Restricted Fund Expenses - \$211.37; Rink Expense - \$1,678.79; Tournament - \$2,944.82; Trash - \$223.65; Utilities - \$8,097.52

Overall Total for Mar 1 – Mar 31: \$(11,129.15)

Apr 17 checking balance (Total OHA Funds): \$84,336.70

Restricted Funds: \$31,080.15

Total Funds Available (Cash Balance) as of Apr 17: \$53,256.55

Apr 1 – Apr 17 income \$1,838.09 : Concession - \$1,828.09; Restricted Donations - \$10

Apr 1 – Apr 17 expenses \$14,956.33 : Assessment - \$3,426.95; Board - \$10; Coach – \$2,111.34; Insurance - \$699.92; Loan Payment – PAYSА - \$3,375; Phone DSL TV - \$205.57; Rent - \$1,600; Restricted Fund Expenses - \$1.89; Rink - \$323.08; Tournament Expense – (\$95.91); Utilities - \$3,195.18; Zamboni - \$103.31

Overall Total for Apr 1 – Apr 17: (\$13,118.24)

President Sanderson entertained a Motion to approve the April Treasurer’s report. Motion by Lee Axdahl. Second by Lisa Lee. Motion passed unanimously.

III. DIRECTOR AND OFFICER REPORTS

REGISTRAR – RICK MILLER

Will work on sending out invoices for volunteer hours owed. Each hour is worth \$20. Delinquent hours need to be remedied soon. He is building a new registration site and hoping to open registration up earlier this year if approved by the board at a later time. Registration fee numbers will be addressed at the annual meeting in June.

DIRECTOR OF PLAYERS – KATIE STARR (ABSENT)

No Report.

DIRECTOR OF COACHING – PAUL BACHAND (ABSENT)

No Report Given. Jim Wedin will run for this position.

DIRECTOR OF LEAGUE PLAY – CRAIG DAVIS (ABSENT)

Nothing to Report. Mention made that Summer Registration for Drop In hockey opens April 24th.

DIRECTOR OF RINK OPERATIONS – JON HERMAN

Last day of rink cleaning was not well attended. Only 3 people showed up. Will work on using coordinator help in the future to work out a schedule (for the different levels) for rink set-up next season. Discussed using the summer rink improvement projects to meet volunteer hours that are owed to OHA, versus paying money.

DIRECTOR OF FUNDRAISING – SERENA SWENSON

Nothing to report on fundraising. Gini Grannes is interested in taking over as Director of Fundraising next year.

DIRECTOR OF MARKETING – BOB GRAY (ABSENT)

No Report Given.

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS – LISA LEE

She will put summer hockey on the website soon. She will also do one final reminder of hours before May 1st or players/families will be billed. The balances then will be due by June 30th.

VICE-PRESIDENT REPORT – LEE AXDAHL

Gave the state meeting update. Omaha will join the girls league. They will have a probationary period. There will also be a new league formed for those who do not make JV or Varsity association teams. Called Junior Gold for now, but the

name will more than likely change by next season. Also discussed the need for more officials state wide. Lisa said she would post this need on the OHA website stating that OHA will offer to pay for any training needed in order to hopefully spark more interest in the Pierre/Fort Pierre area.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

PAYSA REPORT

Went over a summary of the year so far at PAYSA and what is coming up there.

EXPO FACILITY UPGRADES

Mike Mueller and Nathan Sanderson attended the last EXPO Board meeting. The EXPO board is 100% supportive of OHA's upgrade plans. The bleacher installation will take approximately 2 weeks to complete. Looking at a time frame of somewhere between July 10 – August 1. Hoping to maybe shorten that time frame window instead to July 10 – July 24.

The Shrine Circus will be at the EXPO Center June 7-9. Thus from June 10 – July 10 will be our window to remove the old bleachers, clean walls, and paint before the new bleachers are installed. Talked about allowing hours owed to OHA to be paid back in helping during this time of "projects" versus making monetary payment. The board will discuss this more at next month's meeting.

Concrete work outside and awning/door by players' entrance – Midwest has a bid with Bob Gray and Bob will move forward with it as the EXPO board says go for it.

Mike Mueller is working on the Varsity Boys State Tournament bid proposal. Gini Grannes has secured the hotel rooms for us already should we get the bid.

GIRLS TEAM UPDATE – CARRYOVER FROM DECEMBER BOARD MEETING

Reviewed the new logo of "Lady" in front of Capitals for the girls team. Will give it to Mike Mueller for copyright and trademark purposes soon.

Nothing new to report on "Girls on the Ice". Laura Schoen Carbonneau will lead that.

BOARD VACANCIES

Nominees are looking good for upcoming elections in June.

V. NEW BUSINESS

POTENTIAL POLICY REVISIONS

(1) Last month, Lee presented a policy revision to the “OHA Locker Room” policy that changed the title of the policy to “OHA Locker Room/Code of Conduct”; as well as whereby language was inserted that came directly from USA Hockey’s Safe Sport Handbook and was inserted into Section 6 (Prohibited Conduct) and Section 9 (Player Violation of Locker Room/Code of Conduct Policy) of OHA’s current policy. This was reviewed by the board again at this meeting.

During the March meeting, the following motions were made: “Nathan Sanderson entertained a motion to approve the amendments as presented. Tiffany Sanchez made the motion. Second by Jon Herman. The board then went into more and very significant discussion on the amendments. Rick Miller made a motion to table these amendments until next month’s April board meeting until appropriate time was given to display this on the website & time for OHA member comment. Second by Katie Starr. Motion passed unanimously.”

After no public comment was received at all during the past month, President Sanderson entertained a Motion to approve the amended, proposed locker room code of conduct that started at the February board meeting. Tiffany Sanchez made the Motion. Second by Rick Miller. Motion passed unanimously.

(2) On the current “Play Up Request” form, Lee proposed taking out the requirement/sentence stating the player must play for 2 seasons. He feels this would allow OHA to give more flexibility to the players and coaches after taking the upcoming statewide birthdate/birthyear changes into account; while still allowing the proper review by coaches, etc. to put players at the levels they should be at still – regardless of this date/year change.

Rick Miller made a Motion to table this (Lee's proposed policy revisions on the "Play Up Request" form) for further action until the May board meeting so it may be posted on the website for membership review and public comment. Second by Lisa Lee. Motion passed unanimously.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

Summer Hockey Program: Thinking of taking a break from the 3-on-3 and 4-on-4 hockey this spring and go only with the Drop-In hockey program through Summer Rec up at PAYSAs. Lisa Lee will check with Jim Wedin and Craig on what they think and what they'd like to do in regards to this idea. She will let the board know at the May meeting.

Huff-n-Puff: Will make sure participants are paying each week going forward.

The May 2017 OHA Board Meeting will be held on Monday, May 15th at the EXPO Center Board Room in Fort Pierre, at 6:30 pm CST.

President Sanderson entertained a Motion to Adjourn the April Board Meeting. Motion made by Rick Miller. Second by Lee Axdahl. Motion passed unanimously. The April Board Meeting was adjourned at 8:29 p.m. CST.