

Wadena Hockey Board Minutes  
Monday December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020 @ 6:30pm  
Zoom Meeting

1. Call to Order/Roll Call: BJ Fink, BJ Meyer, Joe Sworski, Tate McManigle, Erik Olson, Eric Ness, Derek Tucker, Michelle Allred, Nate Witthuhn, Jamie Hathaway, Mac Nelson, Bob Weiher, Kelly Zaic, Chrissy Krell, Amanda Schmidt
2. Approval of Agenda: Joe asks to move fundraising to an earlier spot for tonight's meeting. Everyone agreed. Motion to approve the agenda Erik Olson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tate McManigle (Approved)
3. Approval of Mins: Michelle motions to add the March 27<sup>th</sup> date for BLB to the Mins, 2<sup>nd</sup> BJ Meyer (Approved) \* After the meeting, went back through mins from Oct and the date was in there so no need to add to the November meeting mins. As it was not even discussed at the November Meeting. \* Mac asked to have the agenda and mins sent to him. Sent email right away.
4. Public Forum:
  - a. Cooper Ness Reimbursement
    - i. Erik Ness-the letter sent to the board was pretty self-explanatory. Cooper had a year ending injury that required surgery. Erik says it was within the 2-week refund period that Wadena Hockey offers. BJ Fink offered his experience when his oldest son had a similar situation, and they did not receive a refund. BJ Meyer motioned to approve refund, then double checked the schedule and Bantam practice officially started Oct 26<sup>th</sup>. He removed his motion to approve refund. Accident fell outside of the two-week refund period.
5. Treasurers Report:
  - a. Concessions are down, but we are not super far off what we were this time last year.
  - b. Michelle asked about team funds-if registration funds had been moved to the teams for the things such as the \$400 per level for BLB and coaches' gifts etc. It had not been done yet but that it was just a matter of moving that from one column to the next.
  - c. It was asked if the parents that had previously purchased jackets for their squirt had been reimbursed since the board voted on using some of the Squirts money raised to purchase the jackets. They had. BJ Meyer said he would make sure we had reimbursed all the parents that needed it.
6. Reports:
  - a. Scheduler (BJ Meyer)
    - i. Not much to report. Nothing has been cancelled yet, but we don't know when we can return to play.
  - b. Registrar (Kelly Zaic)
    - i. Contacted District Director about the Play Down requests.
  - c. Building Maintenance (Eric Ness)
    - i. All advertising has been hung in the arena.
    - ii. Mac asked if there is a reason the dehumidifier keeps going off. He and BJ Fink were in there and it turned off. They just reset it. Eric is not sure why it keeps doing that but if we just reset it, it should be ok.

- d. Equipment (BJ Meyer)
  - i. Once we get a start date, he will set up equipment pickup for anyone needing it.
  - ii. We are low on the nice garment bags that we require the kids to transport their game jerseys in. Asking for ordering 12 new ones at \$35 apiece. We sell them for \$40. Motion to approve Chrissy Krell, 2<sup>nd</sup> Amber McManigle
- e. Concessions (Matt Lunde)-Nothing currently
- f. Gambling (Matt Lunde)
  - i. Per Joe from Matt-he has meeting set up with potential locations to sell pull tabs.
  - ii. Not sure on all the logistics yet, but we may need more voting members when we need to vote on anything related to the gambling. We would need to involve more members from the club, and they would be allowed to vote on gambling matters. Matt will continue trying to find out the info and get it to us when he knows.
- g. Referee (Mac Nelson)
  - i. We have officials still lined up for the games that are supposed to happen this weekend. What to do?
    1. There will not be games allowed. Cancel them.
    2. Drop off info to Erik Olson to get officials paid that need it.
- h. Hockey Director (Jamie Hathaway)
  - i. All big games/tournaments that are out of State are going to be up to the district Director-he could decide to not allow us to participate. We will not know anything until the Governor makes his decisions on when we can play.
- i. Mite Director (Nate Witthuhn)-Nothing Currently
- j. Fundraising (Dani Sworski)
  - i. Have a new committee of people, we are purposing having the BLB event move to June 5<sup>th</sup> at the Golf Course. We can have it outdoors; we would still have all the silent and live auctions. But we would offer golf now as another fun opportunity for people for the day.
  - ii. Talked with public health officials and it is too hard to determine whether an indoor event could happen in March.
    1. Some board members are concerned with moving the date out too far and they want to keep the date closer to the hockey season.
    2. Also concerned it could hurt the Squirts golf fundraiser.
  - iii. The committee is concerned that donations will be down anyways because of the hard year, and if we hold the event in March, lots of people will not come.
  - iv. Talked about having an online auction event instead. Our new software system allows for that.
  - v. Talk with Cody at the VFW if they would be willing to close the club for our event so we can have extra room and allow for their 50% capacity if that is what the Governor allows.
  - vi. Jamie asked the board what is the cut off date we will give this committee to determine if March is not an option anymore?

1. The majority of the board wants us to get more info, try to plan for March, and we can re-evaluate come January.
  - vii. It was stated that part of the reason we increased the dollar amount for the raffle tickets was to help if donations were down.
    1. Amanda reminded us that Hockey tots and Mighty Mites never were able to start practices so some of them have not gotten their tickets. We can not count on the increased prices when some tickets may not get sold.
  - k. Marketing (Amelia Hutson)
    - i. Has been in touch with Nyhus and Chevrolet. They have merchandise for us to pick up and Amelia will stop and get that this week.
  - l. Public Relations/Newsletter/Communications (Amber McManigle)
    - i. Can do a newsletter when we can start back up
7. Old Business
  - a. BJ Fink and some other volunteers will start flooding the outdoor rink on Wednesday.
8. New Business-Nothing currently
9. Adjourn-motion to adjourn BJ Meyer, 2<sup>nd</sup> BJ Fink (Approved)