

Devils Lake Blue Line Club
Minutes of the February 20, 2023 Board of Directors Meeting
Heritage Hall, LRSC

President Sandvik called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Ryan Stromme-Secretary, Ben Mack, Philip Jerome, Jeremy Sandvik-President, Brett Johnston-Treasurer, Brandi Nelson, Scott Volk, Neil Langton, Steve Geigle

Members Absent: Jamie Leever, Alex Olson

Others Present: Missy Abrahamson, Josh Janzen

Approval of Minutes

Sandvik asked for a revision of the January minutes,

Treasurer's Report

Johnston reported the financials, there are a few sign invoices past due and one outstanding invoice from summer ice.

Portfolio Updates:

Banquet

Date is March 20th 6:30pm – Volk mentioned that the High School Varsity boys hockey is the same day so we may be down a few. Discussion was had regarding end of the year gifts, it was agreed to find something around \$25 per player. Volk brought up an award discussion and it was decided MVP, Hardest Worker & Most Improved.

Equipment

Geigle is thinking of April for equipment turn in so it can be announced at the hockey banquet. Missy will also send an email and post on FB the dates. The dates for turn in will be the 28th & 29th from 3pm-7pm timeframe and doing for 2 days. Geigle will get Missy a list of players that have stuff outstanding.

Golf Scramble

No update. Janzen mentioned that they are implementing a new rule that the tournament needs to yield \$1,800 in order to have on a Friday. There should be no issue for us with this.

Grants

No Update

Grievance

Squirt B email complaint – Geigle indicated that a GF parent got up in the face of a Devils Lake parents, Langton advised that is exactly what he had heard about the situation. No action is needed at this time as the GF parent declined to attend the board meeting to address.

Ice Hole

March 31st – Couples Tournament – 6pm

April 1st – Top Shelf division

No Entertainment – 32 sponsors

Bar – Neil will reach out to Ray about the bar

Prizes have been bought and paid for, some still need picked up

New Bags – Johnston recommended getting new bags ordered as it was requested last year.

Ticket Drum – we will get from fire department

Concessions – Girls High School Hockey will do concessions

Kid's tournament – Missy will be out of town so not available to

Purse Raffle

Stromme motioned to approve a budget of \$3,000-\$4,000, seconded by Sandvik. Price of tickets will be \$10, print 1200 tickets.

Hunting Raffle

We were not awarded a license this year.

Referees

Referees have been good, no complaints.

Signs

No update

Summer Ice

No Update

Jersey Turn In

Langton suggested having coaches collect jerseys at the end of practice. Nelson asked who would be in charge of doing the inventory. Geigle asked to have the team managers collect the jersey's and call to meet him at Minnie H so he can do inventory, then have them cleaned.

Termites & Mites Pizza Party

Nelson advised that there was an email that came out about doing something for Mites March 14th, followed by a pizza party. Jerome mentioned that he has talked to Leever's about termites and they will coordinate to have it in a couple weeks.

Other New Business

Skate Sharpener

Johnston mentioned some complaint's on skate sharpening at the rink. This is possibly due to inexperience sharpening skates. Per Janzen the cost of a commercial Spark machine is \$4,800 plus a couple accessories. The replacement rings for the machine are \$1,600. Janzen advised that the park board would take care of the maintenance and training on the machine. They will charge \$5 for non-blue line members and \$3 for Blue Line members. Johnston motioned to approved purchasing the sharpener and donating to the Park Board, seconded by Stromme. All approved, motion carried.

LRSC College Hockey

Johnston was approached and asked if DLBLC would be interested in donating towards their first set of jerseys. Stromme mentioned that if the gaming is healthy, he would support a donation towards this. Johnston will ask the college to come to the board meeting and bring the coaches for the board to meet.

LRSC is looking at a new facility down the road and asked if the DLBLC would be interested in supporting a new facility with some priority ice time.

Zamboni – Johnston brought up the status of the current Zamboni as it has been having some issues. Volk mentioned that the DLPB should reach out to the utilities for grants to pay for the new Zamboni. Volk will get with Janzen and

point him in the right direction for these grants.

Janzen approached the board to see if we want to make a donation towards a new scoreboard for the Bill Jerome Arena. They are planning on making some cosmetic improvements at the Bill Jerome as well such as paint, lights and refurbish the lobby. They are also going to do a building inspection to make sure it is cost effective to make the improvements. The cost of the new scoreboard is \$9K. Johnston asked Janzen to send him the proposal for the new scoreboard and he will be reaching out to DLYA to match our donation.

Adjourn at 8:15 pm