



# Board Meeting

**East Metro Area Youth Hockey Association**  
**6 p.m. Sunday, May 19, 2024 | The Wild Boar**

## **Present:**

Brian Arrigoni, Kacie Schmidt, John Ellingson, Ann Hackman, Bao Vang, John Maslowski, Sean Cunningham, Bill Burkhart, Laura Kirchoff, Brett Lothian, Brent Baar, Connor McHugh

## **Absent:**

Nikki Bennis, Mike Launderville, Casey Regan, Shannon Larsen, Erik Petersen, Steve Moose, Younghans, Lea Kammerer

## **TAYHA Meeting**

The TAYHA Board of Directors meeting was called to order by Brian Arrigoni at 6:04 p.m.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Review of the April 2024 TAYHA meeting minutes.

John E. motioned to approve the April TAYHA meeting minutes. Sean C. seconded. Motion carried.

### **RETENTION AND RECRUITMENT REPORT (Bao)**

Introduction of Connor McHugh, Minimite coach from the 2023-2024 season. Connor has been invited to join as the Co-Chair (along with Bao) of the Recruiting & Retention committee.

Upcoming events to consider to engage community:

- Oakdale's Summerfest
- North St. Paul Car days
- North St. Paul parade
- White Bear Avenue parade
- Try Hockey for Free this summer:
  - 6 – 7 p.m. on Wednesday, July 11 at Polar Arena
  - 6 – 7 p.m. on Friday, August 16 at Polar Arena

The Board discussed approving the committee of a budget to order supplies to build an experience for participants of the upcoming events.

Sean C. motioned for \$20,000 to be allocated for the recruiting and retention committee. John E. seconded. Motion carried.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT (Ann)**

- Delivered a \$30 check to Oakdale's Summerfest for entry fee.
- MN Wild check – for a group selling programs -- received.
- Dibs leaders emailed families who wrote a check and didn't/couldn't fulfill their hours. Checks will be deposited Monday, May 19.



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## **GAMBLING MANAGER REPORT (March 2024 by John M.)**

Sales \$736,073.05

Prizes \$622,517.31

Gross profit \$29,896.81

Lawful purpose expenditures \$29,896.81

Total allowable expenses \$54,268.32

Net profit \$29,390.61

See report for details.

Software developers are building an update to games – from physical pull tabs to electronic ones – as of January 1. No expected increase in costs to the EMS association.

Sean C. motioned to accept the Gambling Manager Report from March 2024. John E. seconded. Motion carried.

Ann motioned to pre-approve the funds. Sean C. seconded. Motion carried.

Ann H. motioned to accept \$50,000 in donations from the Gambling Account. John E. seconded. Motion carried.

Annual Audit was submitted May 1.

## **MINOR REPORT (John E.)**

- Ideas:
  - Create a coaching Board to get to know families, hire and vet candidates.
  - Refund for goalie families? Topic will be rediscussed at June meeting.
- Do we want to host a Junior Gold program?

## **MITE REPORT (Kacie):**

- Association has received a check from MN Wild to Mite program sales at games came in and deposited
- Spring League ended May 19
- Connor M. leading a group of early Mite families in a summer hockey program.

## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Billy/Brian)**

Board discussed an upcoming budget meeting, moving two association funds into one account and wrapping up business of two separate entities before official merger. Members expressed an interest to increase tournament fees budget.

John E. motioned for a \$1,000 increase to tournament fees budget. Brent A. seconded. Motioned carried.

## **GIRLS PROGRAM**

Girls Director reported that conversations with White Bear Lake Youth Hockey Association are still ongoing.



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## Adjournment

John E. motioned to adjourn the meeting. Brent B. seconded. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Next meeting at 6 p.m. on Sunday, June 9 at the Blue Line Room.

Recording secretary, Bao Vang