

# RIVER FALLS YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION



## April 2018 Minutes

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DATE: Wednesday, April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018

LOCATION: Wildcat Centre, River Falls

ATTENDANCE: Jody, Neil, Frank, Nicole, Johnny, Steve, Kevin, Paul, Jana, Chris and Paul

ABSENT: Shelly (updates sent in via email)

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm

### AGENDA

1. **Welcome, Intro, Agenda Review** Linn

2. **Consent Items** (All can be approved in one motion, unless an item is removed by a board member for further discussion) Linn

A. Agenda Approval

**Action Item:**

Approve Agenda and any supplementary

B. Approval of Materials

**Action Item:** Approve meeting minutes from past month.

Motion made to approve all Consent items by Johnny, seconded by Nicole. All in favor.

3. **Guest Comments** Guests

- No Guests

4. **Hockey Operations – On Ice** Hare

- 10,000 Shot club notification was sent out. Kevin will send videos of kids shooting to Chris so he can promote it via social media
- Email regarding interest in coaching for next year was sent out today, Kevin has already received interest.

5. **Building Events** Linn

- Fat Boy's –
  - This tournament was very short staffed due to spring break and we were unable to get people to volunteer. The arena was left a mess, this will be a topic point next year.
  - Net profit is still being calculated.
  - 2019 we will add 60+ division to fill the brackets and generate more revenue. Tournament went thru 8 kegs of beer, that is the amount that was ordered
  - We received one check back that had a stopped payment, Frank is following up.
  - 12 teams this year
  - Somerset had their men's tournament the same weekend, we will need to consider the date next year.

- Pool Tournament is scheduled for the weekend of April 26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>.
  - Frank will work with Ericka for dates/times for DIBS
  - They will start bringing in the tables on the 17<sup>th</sup>. They will be out by May 3<sup>rd</sup>.
  - We need to shift some rentals (Baseball, soccer, etc..) around, Frank will reach out.
  - Frank will review the inventory of beer of past tournaments so we know what to order
- Softball tournament – River Falls Days
  - Frank will talk with Ericka regarding this tournament, email will go out tomorrow
  - Advertisements need to be sent out within the next few weeks.
  - Jody talked to Shane, he is also willing to help
  - Frank will check with the city regarding water to spray down the fields. Last year the city refused to let us use the water.

## 6. Building Operations

Wilson/Linn

- Boards need to come out, they are planning for this Sunday or Monday. Wilson will sweep the floors.
- Quote from RinkTech has not been received regarding the retrofit. Wilson hopes to have the numbers before next meeting.
- Company from Chippewa (Steve couldn't remember name) has refused to retrofit. They will only give a quote for a new system. Steve will ask them to come out and quote.
- Zamboni is going in for a tune up with Hawk Performance
- Wilson has received some donated racking for LTS equipment
- Chris will be looking for a new grill, the old grill is no longer working
- The removal of the ice went very well, it took one day.
- Locker room heaters are still on because of the weather, Wilson will adjust the settings.
- Frank has an interested party to take down the old boards and remove. Frank will follow up with the donor that pledged the material to make sure the offer is still available.
- Wilson will ask Jeff to retrieve a bid for new front doors. Jody said that Hager City glass has refurbished doors.
- Paul B will retrieve quotes for new flooring.
- After the snow melts, Wilson will look into the damage in the parking lot

## 7. Financial Operations

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- Neil reported that we are waiting on a few expenses to close the year
- We reviewed the cash flow projections for the upcoming year.
  - The timing for the fundraiser was switched on the projections, cash flow is fine
- We are expecting sponsorships to grow this year.
- Jody will follow up with the tournament director, we are still waiting on a few teams to send in their fees.
- The Highschool contract will be renewed this year for another 2 years.

## 8. Fundraising Operations

Thompson

- Fundraising Proposal for 2018-2019 Season from the Fundraising team;
  - Heggie's Pizzas stay the same...each family sells 25 pizzas or buyout **at registration only for \$175**. If buyout doesn't occur then they have to sell. Pizza sales are shifting and will be due November 28<sup>th</sup> with delivery on December 19<sup>th</sup>. We are waiting for confirmation from Heggie's on due dates and options (we will be switching up the flavors this year). If they do not turn in their pizza order they aren't allowed to skate until it is turned in. There will be no exceptions.
  - Proposal for Calendar Raffles to go away...we would like to try something different. Each family will be required to sell 3-\$100 raffle tickets. If they have more than one skater they receive one extra raffle ticket for each additional skater. Raffles are due on or before Jan. 30<sup>th</sup> and the drawing will be at the Gala. There will be one drawing for one grand prize valued at ~\$4,000. Trip to somewhere. We are still searching for the best option but more than likely Cancun, Cabo,

Dominican Republic etc...Airfare, Hotel, etc. Our printing costs will be lowered as we won't have to print as many tickets. If their raffles aren't turned in on time, they will not skate until they are.

- We do need to apply with the State for a license, Shelly will take care of that.
- Raffles will not be ready for spring registration
- The board discussed raffle options and preferred the raffle option for next year to be 12 tickets at \$25 apiece. 4 tickets for each additional skater. LTS to Mites 6 raffles and 2 for additional LTS.
- We will offer Kwik Trip gift cards again before the holidays.
- Gala dates are being tossed around. We will either do the Spring like always or may try for late Fall Early Winter to see if we could get a better turnout. This year's turn out is the lowest ever.
- The Fundraising team has proposed that we raise registration by \$100 per skater. There was very little support at the Gala this year. The Board discussed the proposal and decided that the fee will raise by \$25. LTS going into Winter Mites will go from \$100 to \$150. Registration max will be raised from \$1250- \$1300
  - Jody made a motion to raise fees, Steve seconded, all in favor
- Survey Results and Recommendations – Overall Association Members are satisfied; response packets were given to each Board. Board members will review and summarize next board meeting.

#### 9. External Relations/Recruitment/Advertising

Linn

- Sponsors and Communication
  - Kurt continues to make good progress on existing sponsors and is contacting the ones that are up for renewals
  - Quarterly email blast for special advertising requests will start to go for advertisements for members
- Alumni Coordinator Position
  - Frank has asked the Board for suggestions regarding filling this position. This position is critical for capital campaigns.
- Learn to Skate
  - Age group change from 4-7 (from 4-8). We will continue to take 30 girls and 30 boys for a total of 60 skaters.
  - Nicole will send the new information to Stesha and will ask her to send all information to schools
    - Kevin made a motion to change age groups for LTS, Johnny seconded, all in favor.

#### 10. Hockey Operations – Off Ice

Christensen

- Registration – Spring registration is scheduled for May 16<sup>th</sup> from 6-8. Jody has asked to Board to help. If you can attend, please update Jody. The registration form needs to be updated, Lisa Woiwode will be updating. All changes need to be communicated to Jody.
- Registration for Bantams – for the 2018-2019 season we have 22 eligible skaters for Bantams. That number would force 2 teams (WAHA will only allow 20 per team – 18 Skaters and 2 Goalies). Five 9<sup>th</sup> grade skaters will have the option to possibly play High School. Tryouts for Bantams will be mid-October and tryouts for HS are First Monday of November. We must declare the number of teams to D2 in August, therefore we will need to determine if we will have one or two Bantam teams. If we only have on team, those kids that decide to try-out for HS and then possibly get cut then may want to come back to Bantams. They would only be allowed to come back if we have room on the roster which could result in some players not having a place to play.
  - Recommendation from Steve for a possible coop with Baldwin
    - Jody will contact Baldwin to check in on their numbers
  - The number does not include any of the MN Made kids return
- Ice Scheduling – Jody is working on getting as many dates updated as possible, if you know of other ice dates let her know.
- Tournaments – Jody will be having a warp up meeting with the tournament committee. If you have any ideas for the committee these can be communicated to Jody directly.

- Managers – Jody and Rachel Link (Manager Coordinator) will be meeting. Rachel has agreed to update the information sheet and help the “C” teams with game/tournament scheduling.
  - In the past we have let the coaches pick their Managers. Jody wants to make sure that the selected managers share and support the vision of the Board
- Service Hours – There are 12 families that did not complete their service hours and are being submitted to be billed. The billable hours totaling roughly \$3300.
  - There was a family that approached Jody in February regarding hardship, Jody worked 15 hours for her. They are currently at 38 hours. Since this hardship was no communicated till February and Board members helped as much as they could, the family will be billed. There was no attempt from the family to work their hours.
  - Service hours will stay the same for next year

**11. Other Business**

- Capital Campaign
  - Campaign will be for compressors, parking lot, roof....all round projects
  - Bring your ideas to the next meeting
- Organization Chart
  - Bucket heads fill your open spots
  - Check your buckets and make sure they are updated

Motion to adjourn by Johnny at 8:41; Kevin seconded. All in favor.

<u>2018-2019 Calendar - Key Dates</u>	
<b>April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018</b>	<b>RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm</b>
<b>April 26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Pool Tournament</b>
<b>May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018</b>	<b>RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm</b>
<b>May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019</b>	<b>Registration for 2018/2019 Season</b>
<b>June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018</b>	<b>RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm</b>
<b>July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018</b>	<b>RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm</b>
<b>August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018</b>	<b>RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm</b>
<b>September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018</b>	<b>RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm</b>
<b>September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018</b>	<b>Registration for 2018/2019 Season</b>
<b>October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018</b>	<b>RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm</b>
<b>November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018</b>	<b>RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm</b>
<b>Nov 30<sup>th</sup>-December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018</b>	<b>Squirt A/B/C</b>
<b>December 8-9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Mite Jamboree</b>
<b>December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018</b>	<b>RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm</b>
<b>December 28<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> 2018</b>	<b>High School Tournament</b>
<b>January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019</b>	<b>RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm</b>
<b>January 11<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> 2019</b>	<b>U10/U12</b>
<b>January 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>PeeWee A/B &amp; B/C</b>
<b>January 25<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> 2019</b>	<b>U14</b>
<b>February 8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> 2019</b>	<b>Bantam B/C</b>
<b>February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019</b>	<b>RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm</b>
<b>March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019</b>	<b>RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm</b>
<b>February 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> 2019</b>	<b>Bantam A/B</b>
<b>March 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> 2019</b>	<b>Mite ½ Ice</b>
<b>March 22<sup>nd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> 2019</b>	<b>Fat Boys</b>
<b>April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019</b>	<b>RFHYA Board Meeting 6pm</b>