

**Oahe Hockey Association  
November 2020 Board Meeting Minutes  
EXPO Center – Fort Pierre, SD  
Monday, November 16, 2020**

**Board Vice-President, Ryan Swartz, called the November Monthly Board meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. CST.**

Board Members Present: Ryan Swartz, Stephanie Lyons, Tawnya Pfeifer, Jeannie Kafka, Jon Herman, John Ullmann, and Rick Miller.

**John Ullmann Made a Motion to Approve the October Board Meeting minutes. Second by Jeannie Kafka. Motion passed unanimously.**

**I. TREASURER’S REPORT – KELLIE BECK (ABSENT)**

Kellie sent a brief e-mail report to the board, summarizing that we are sitting in good shape and that nothing has been out of the ordinary for this time of the year.

It was noted that our account with Gale’s Gas has been re-opened so we can fill the propane tanks for our Zambonis.

**Tawnya Pfeifer Made a Motion to Approve the November Treasurer’s Report. Second by John Ullmann. Motion passed unanimously.**

**II. DIRECTOR AND OFFICER REPORTS**

**PLAYER DIRECTOR – TAWNYA PFEIFER**

The Mini-Mites will have their coordinator meeting this coming Tuesday. Every level is up and running. We have 30 Learn to Skate skaters. We had 20 participants at Try Hockey 4 Free, and lots of them then signed up for Learn to Skate.

Will not be putting all of the association games on DIBS yet until we move through Covid more. Planning on posting games 3-4 weeks out for now.

Open Skate – PAYSAs is handled by the figure skaters usually on Sunday afternoons, however they have not committed to any yet this year. The EXPO is handled by OHA. We have limited dates set as of now (12). Every level will be responsible for 2 open skates.

Zam drivers have been hard to find, but plugging through. Pink the Rink meetings are taking place currently. The date is January 23<sup>rd</sup>. The Tyler Wilcox Memorial Tournament is full for teams. Boys JV State Tournament – Tawnya and Krisi Berndt will head this up.

### **DIRECTOR OF FUNDRAISING – JOHN ULLMANN**

Pizza Ranch Fundraiser is Monday, November 30<sup>th</sup>. Lynsey Anderson made fliers for the event. It will go from 6-8pm. Reminder that no busing is allowed due to Covid. Plan on getting the reminder put on the OHA Facebook page.

100 families out of 124 have picked up their raffle tickets. If each family sells the required ticket minimum – revenue should be \$42,900 before deducting expenses. If 20 tickets over this grand minimum total is sold, OHA has covered the expenses and then it's clear profit after that for the association.

Mention was made that SDAHA is doing a monthly scholarship raffle in 2021. 100-150 tickets total will be sold to each association for \$20/each. Sales will end in December 2020 and 12 monthly drawings will be held in 2021. Hoping more information will come out on this.

John reported a new fundraiser this year will be an Elk Hunt donated by Les Lindskov. Les is planning to donate a \$5,000 hunt to OHA for a \$2,000 cost. Each ticket will be \$100, and only 200 tickets will be sold. Hoping to reach non-hockey folks too. Thinking will call it a "Sportsman Raffle" with the drawing held in May/June for a fall hunt. Lots of board support and excitement for this. Planning on advertising this at the OHA concession stand and through OHA Facebook posts. Will also do a big push at the JV State Tournament hosted here in March. Stay tuned.

Still working with Lynsey on a Pancake Fundraiser in late January or early February at the Fieldhouse. Should know more once we get into January.

### **REGISTRAR – RICK MILLER**

As of today, 215 registered skaters. Highest number since the 2015-2016 season when we had 230 registered. Numbers now are good!!!

Reminder of SafeSport/Background Check for Board Members and Coordinators. It is FREE, but required. Reminder to give Rick your USA Hockey Number after these are completed.

### **DIRECTOR OF COACHING – JIM WEDIN (ABSENT)**

Mention was made that Jim Wedin is working currently through the process on Play Up requests from Mini-Mites to Mites.

### **DIRECTOR OF RINK OPERATION – JON HERMAN**

Reported that the reason the EXPO ice was so bad on 11/7 was because the Compressor had 2 bolts that were not tightened; thus the freon was leaking gas out. The bolts have been tightened and the ice is good to go now for the upcoming Bantam Jamboree.

The board discussed and suggested that we stock up and order more refrigerant/freon so we have it on hand as it looks like freon will no longer be produced come January 2021. Then in the next 5 years, OHA can look at changing out the system when needed.

### **DIRECTOR OF MARKETING – JEANNIE KAFKA**

Working on renewal with Midco. My Place in Fort Pierre, talking with them to do sponsorship trade for rooms. Also working with Allied Plumbing on sponsorship.

Board had good discussion regarding doing a 're-make' of the sponsorship/sign set-up with M&R Signs for \$600 year/3 years (up from \$500). Jeannie will come up with 2 variations of the sign/sponsor cost make-up and present to the board at the next monthly meeting.

**VICE PRESIDENT – RYAN SWARTZ**

SDAHA should have all the associations' Covid protocols & guidelines up on their (SDAHA) website in the next couple of weeks.

Reminder that due to Covid, there will be no travel to or from North Dakota for games this season. This will be the case to or from Minnesota soon, as well.

**III. OLD BUSINESS (NONE)**

**IV. NEW BUSINESS**

**Live Barn**

Jon Herman reminded the board to advertise by word of mouth that if folks can't come to watch our hockey games this season due to Covid or Health reasons, use the Live Barn link on the OHA website to watch them.

**V. ADJOURN**

**Vice President Swartz asked for a Motion to Adjourn the November Monthly Board Meeting. Rick Miller Made the Motion. Second by Jon Herman. Motion passed unanimously. The November Monthly Board Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m. CST.**

**Respectfully Submitted,  
Stephanie Lyons – OHA Board Secretary**