

Homer Hockey Association
Board of Directors Meeting
Homer Harbor Master's Conference Room
Wednesday, February 8, 2023

Call to Order: President Barth called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

Members Present: Matt Clarke, Corbin Arno, Drew McClure, Kari Arno, Scott Owen, Melanie Dufour, Justin Adams, Joanna Owen, Leslie Slater and Lacey Velsko (arrived 7:30pm)

Members Absent: Karl Thomas

Others Present: Scott Dickerson (left 7:45pm), Shelly Laukitis, Finance Chairperson; Joey Kraszeki, Registrar; Heidi Stage, Bookkeeper

Approval of Consent Agenda:

- January 11, 2023 Meeting Minutes
- KBA Advisory Board Items
- HHA Advisory Board Items
 - Partial refund (\$220, which is 50% of fees paid)
 - Adult participation, unable to finish season due to pregnancy
- Finance
 - None

Approval of the Consent Agenda:

Drew McClure made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented; Leslie Slater seconded. Motion passed.

Approval of the Agenda:

Corbin Arno made a motion to approve the agenda as written; Kari Arno seconded. Motion passed.

Non-Board Member Comments: (3-minute time limit)

- Scott addressed the board and said he has a child who is skating as well as himself. He offered his skills as a photographer as well as media experience. He wanted to come and meet the board and see how he can best help the association. There was discussion about taking and selling photos at the state tournament. He will work with Matt to coordinate it.

Announcements

- HHA Advisory Board: (last meeting 2/1/23, next meeting 3/1/23)
- KBA Advisory Board: (last meeting 1/31/23 next meeting 2/28/23)
- Finance Committee: (last meeting 2/7/23, next meeting ??)

Reports

Board and non-voting advisory members have the opportunity to ask questions regarding the written reports to the respective chairs if present.

Treasurer Report – none

HHA Advisory Report –

- Communication between boards – Drew mentioned some events scheduled that weren't communicated well. If they are, then other board members can help promote and share the events. Leslie said a new event on Friday nights open slot is now called 'Friday Night Lights'. Scott said it works both ways between the advisory committees not knowing everything the other is doing. There was discussion about either a mid-month meeting or a report to update others.
Drew mentioned the end of the season banquet that is tentatively scheduled for April 4th. Joanna and Melanie have started working on it.

KBA Advisory Report –

- IBEW Grant Opportunity – Jake Fraley submitting request sometime this month. The total ask was around \$10,000. He will stay in contact with the board.
- Co-ed Tournament Update – Leslie said Jan Rumble wants to keep the registration open until February 20th. She hopes to get 3-4 teams to participate.
- Ash Cup Tournament Update – Justin said there are 12 teams that are confirmed. The tournament will be capped at this number.

Registrar –

- 125 members total. Joey reiterated this is mostly adult players. There are approximately 92 youth players registered at this time. Scott added that he attempted to sign his child up and found it difficult. Drew confirmed they were closed at January 31st; the rosters are locked and that they can still sign up for practices only.

Finance –

- Mid-season budget review (Shelly Laukitis) – Shelly addressed the board and explained this is a mid-season review, not a mid-fiscal year review; since we don't start earning money until later in the season. She reminded the board that they approved a 2022-23 budget of -\$53,000. The goal is to get back to a balanced budget in the next year or so. She said Kari and Heidi had reviewed the budget to actual and then it was reviewed more thoroughly at the Finance Committee. At the end of January, the net income/loss is -\$5,000 on the P&L. There are still three months left in the season and hopefully we will get closer to closing the gap. She reminded the KBA Advisory that we cannot apply for another Rasmuson grant until we close the one that is currently open. She asked the board if HHA is requiring adults to be HHA members. Drew said the Diva's were going to do that but it was not a requirement of the men. There was discussion about money earned off of the tournaments (outside ice fee usage). Mike said this will be talked about at a later date. She asked by Power Skating is free to members. Mike said it is being offered as a way for skaters to try something new, similar to Open Skate and Sticktime. Shelly ended by saying the fiscal year ends April 30th and the board will be presented with a new draft budget before then.

State Tournament –

- Update – Matt reported there are about 25 sponsors currently for the program (\$6,300). He and Lacey are communicating with ASHA to coordinate all the logistics. Matt said there are three outside food vendors lined up as well as the team running the concession stand. Justin shared his concern about taking a percentage off the gross vs. a flat fee. Matt said there will be oversight.
- Volunteer Signups – Kayla is going to send out an email with sign up opportunities.

Pending Business

- Communications Plan – “Umbrella” draft showing advisory boards area of responsibility – (TABLED until after season)

New Business

- Adult/KBA program status –
 - 15 participant requirement – Men's league skates two nights a week. There are 12 men signed up but that doesn't mean all of them are skating both nights. There are 13 Diva's registered. There was discussion about trying to make the cost equal for both user groups.

Corbin Arno made a motion to eliminate the minimum 15 required participants for the adult programs; Melanie Dufour seconded. Motion passed.

Informational Materials (list of packet materials that coincide with the meeting)

- 1-31-22 P&L with previous comparison, 1-31-23 Balance Sheet with previous comparison and 1-31-23 Budget to Actual, February Board Reports **and all of Chips' attachments**

Items for next Newsletter

- State Hockey Tournament
- Power Skating
- Friday Night Lights
- Wednesday Novice co-ed
- Co-ed Jamboree deadline Feb. 20th

Comments from Staff

Heidi brought a thank you card for the board to sign to send to Cinda Martin who is retiring from the Finance Committee.

Comments of the Voting Board Members

Joanna asked about the annual meeting date. Once decided, it can be announced at the banquet.

Comments of the President

None

Next Meeting: Wednesday, March 8th at 7:00 p.m. at the Harbor Masters Office

Adjournment: Corbin Arno moved to adjourn; Drew McClure seconded.
The meeting was adjourned at 9:02 p.m.