

Homer Hockey Association
Board of Directors Meeting
Homer Harbor Master's Conference Room
Wednesday, August 9, 2023

Call to Order: President Barth called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Members Present: Justin Adams, Kari Arno, Drew McClure, Scott Owen, Melanie Dufour, Lacey Velsko, Matt Clarke, Karl Thomas, Joanna Owen and Corbin Arno (arrived 7:10pm)

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Kayla Owen, Karina Marette, (both left 7:30pm) Heidi Stage, Bookkeeper

Approval of Consent Agenda:

- July 12, 2023 Meeting Minutes
- KBA Advisory Board Items
 - None
- HHA Advisory Board Items
 - None
- Finance
 - None

Approval of the Consent Agenda:

Joanna Owen made a motion to approve the consent agenda with moving 'Girls Hockey' from New Business to after Announcements; Matt Clarke seconded. Motion passed.

Approval of the Agenda:

Joanna Owen made a motion to approve the agenda as written; Lacey Arno seconded. Motion passed.

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

- None

Announcements

- HHA Advisory Board: (last meeting 7/6/23, next meeting TBA)
- KBA Advisory Board: (last meeting 7/19/23 , next meeting TBA)
- Finance Committee: (last meeting 8/3/23, next meeting 9/7/23)

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 – Financials included in board packet. Kari reported she shut off a toilet that was running in the men's bathroom. She asked whether all toilets need to be replaced. Mike said he purchased some replacement parts last season that need to be installed.

HHA Advisory Report –

- Joanna reported that she and Melanie looked at the gear donated from Homer Saw & Cycle. Matt said he felt that renting the gear would put more work on staff/board to manage. This is done for other programs and works. They decided to inventory the sizes of the gear and make some gear bags to rent. The excess could be sold at the gear swap.
- Drew mentioned there needs to be some marketing ideas for the NHL raffle.

- Lacey said she and Kayla discussed the excess funds remaining in the 10U team account at the end of the season. They decided on leaving \$800 in the bank account, give each player a \$100 discount code to use at registration time (approximately 15 players) and donate the remaining funds to HHA. The board agreed with this.

KBA Advisory Report –

- Mike reported that KBA Advisory met and discussed things that need to happen before the rink opens. One of the issues was the condenser replacement. The Rasmuson grant has some funds remaining and it was decided to use the money for the batteries so the grant can get closed out. If there is any unallocated money, it could go towards locks or another item that is needed. They discussed the sand and ice project, and some sand is going to be delivered. The pipes have heaved more than in prior years and that will be worked on. The staff is scheduled to begin ice prep work on September 15th. He met with Dean and discussed ordering new lines. Mike spoke with all three rink attendants, and they all want to return to their jobs. The details of hours and pay will be discussed in further detail at the next KBA meeting.
- Justin said the vendor scheduled to be there for the September 16 event asked to allow other vendors to be there and waive the \$45 fee.
- One of the current food truck vendors submitted a request to keep her food truck and storage building at the rink until next summer. The board agreed not to allow this.
- Kari asked if anyone was going to be going to the ice preparation class in the valley. Mike said the decision was made not to do this after all.

Registrar –

- Drew said Joey and Playbook were online to get some kinks worked out. The registrations are going to be open on August 15th. Need a registrar within the next two years.

Finance –

- Kari reported that the Finance Committee discussed various fundraising avenues to use to come up with the \$140,000 for a new condenser.

President –

- None

Pending Business

- Communication Plan – “Umbrella” draft showing advisory boards area of responsibility (TABLED until after season) – Joanna said only one board member responded to her email asking for 3 duties they do in their board positions. Mike asked her to bring it to the September meeting for a vote.
- Shooting Corner – Mike said that VBS donated money in honor of Mark Vial. HHA is going to order the customized tarp to use and will have it ready for the new season.
- Rasmuson Grant – Mike reported that Rasmuson notified all grantees that they will not be accepting new grant applications after August 31st. They will re-open and accept applications later in 2024. The plan is to close the current upgrades grant by August 31st and apply for a new Tier I grant for the new condenser by August 31st.

New Business

- Girls Hockey – Kayla and Karina addressed the board about starting a girls team ages 8-14. They have reached out to some parents from last year and received positive feedback. They tentatively would commit to one practice sheet of ice a week. There was board discussion about setting it up and the board will need to decide on the registration cost. HHA Advisory will work with them on this.

Justin Adams made a motion to approve the Girls team moving to the registration system with cost to be determined later; Drew McClure seconded. Motion passed.

- Youth Team Accounting – The Finance Committee recommended condensing the youth team checking accounts to the main checking account of HHA. This would alleviate some duties for team managers as well as provide better oversight for the organization.
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Kari Arno made a motion to approve closing the (4) youth team checking accounts (Mites, Squirts, PeeWee, Midgets) as well as the Men's team account at First National Bank and depositing the balances into the HHA main checking account at First National. The accounts will be individually tracked and managed in the current accounting system by the Bookkeeper. Team managers will submit payment requests from their team fund balances to the bookkeeper for processing. The team managers will still be responsible for billing, collecting and depositing any additional charges such as tournament fees, games and referee fees. The remaining checking accounts at First National (Concessions, Broomball, Men and Women) will continue operating as they have been, with the option to switch if they choose to; Drew McClure seconded. Motion passed.

- Youth Coach Approval – There was discussion on the coaching applicants received to date.

Joanna Owen made a motion to approve Chris Brown as the 8U Microbell head coach and assistant coaches Drew McClure and Jose DeCreeft; Melanie Dufour seconded. Motion passed.

Joanna Owen made a motion to approve Dominic Frank as the 12U PeeWee head coach and assistant coaches Anna Williams and Ryan Fox; Lacey Velsko seconded. Motion passed.

Joanna Owen made a motion to approve Will Singletary as an assistant coach for the association; Justin Adams seconded. Motion passed.

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

- 7-31-23 P&L with previous comparison, 7-31-23 Balance Sheet with previous comparison and 7-31-23 Budget to Actual, July 12th meeting minutes, July Board Reports and ASHA tournament bids as of 5-25-23.

Items for next Newsletter

- Winter Ice Raffle – Drew McClure
- Registration – open on website August 15th – Drew McClure
- Open Board seat – Mike Barth
- Girls' Hockey Team – Karina/Kayla

Comments from Staff

None

Comments of the Voting Board Members

Matt said he met with Kari and Heidi about new advertisers at the rink. There were 3-4 names that he would approach. He also met with the Kachemak Runner's Club and coordinated the scheduled run.

Comments of the President

Mike said Joel Anderson was here and worked on the compressor to fix a seal that was leaking. The project is half done and will be finished before summer is over.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 13th at 7:00 p.m. at the Harbor Master's Office

Adjournment: Joanna Owen moved to adjourn; Matt Clarke seconded.
The meeting was adjourned at 9:01 p.m.