

LYHO Minutes
November 2024

Those in attendance: Dan, Julie, Cammi, Kendra, Vanessa, Shawn and Felecia.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Minutes Approved

TREASURER'S REPORT – Report approved.

BUSINESS

Coach's Update:

- I noticed the cross-ice boards at Great Falls are held together with latches such as these. \$14 for two from Amazon, I think I saw them at Big R as well the other day. Would these be an easier option than pins? <https://www.amazon.com/Elastic-Stainless-Flexible-T-Handle-Brackets/dp/B07Y7XDT63?source=ps-sl-shoppingads-lpcontext&ref=fplfs&psc=1&smid=A3M9W9JKXV7R6A> -**The board voted and approved the purchase of these divider latches and Kendra has offered to place the order.**
- We have permission from the adult tournament to run a 50-50 raffle during the tournaments if we want. Pete brought up selling bottle openers or something similar that HCR could create and donate.
- I offered the youth shed to act as a locker room for officials during the adult tournament. Beer will be served in the Zam building so there won't be a comfortable area for referees. Bill thinks they have plenty of rubber mat to help us cover the floor in exchange. I am thinking a wooden bench big enough for 2-3 people to tie skates, some hooks up above, Bill offered help. Would be nice to have a spot for coaches to get dressed as well, or if we ever need a girl's changing room. **Discussed with pros and cons identified. The board discussed approving this if youth hockey is able to have use of the heaters being purchased by LISA for jamborees. Will continue to discuss.**
- We were asked again to provide scorekeepers for the adult tournaments. **The board decided to ask for parent\player volunteers again.**
- Revisit the discussion on purchasing an automatic skate sharpener? Maybe wait to see if we have room in the youth shed for one? **Julie will look in to skate sharpener. Scott Kirsch is ok with there being other options but someone still needs to check with John Sanford before moving forward.**
- Unsure of the date, but a referee from Bozeman will be coming up before Christmas to run an unofficial on-ice session for those wanting to learn how to referee games, for youth and adults. I am searching for materials to use to do an off-ice presentation before the on-ice session.
- Coaching uniforms – Coaches have put a lot of work in getting trainings done, 15 plus hours. It would be nice to get jackets and maybe pants for coaches. It looks more professional also. **Vanessa will price out jackets/pants and discuss with coaches at pre-season meeting.**

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· Kids are keeping their white jerseys for the duration of the season, do we want to create some sort of system for doing that or just give them all one? **We will continue to track jerseys as they are handed out and put these numbers on the spreadsheet along with blue jersey numbers for rosters.**

2024/2025 Season

Registration: 72 kids registered at this time. All board members will need to be SafeSport certified and were reminded to do so. Age group managers will also need to be SafeSport certified. So far we have Moriah Simpson for the 8u group and JD Puckett for the 14u. Board member Code of conduct signed by all board members. Discussion had re: scholarships for this year- 2 have been approved so far. There is still one open board position- Luke or Raven Shevela may be interested.

Fundraising: There are still a lot of fundraising calendars out. Dan will continue to send out reminders to families to have them returned. No new fundraising needs or projects at this time.

Gear Rental/Jersey & Sock ordering: Some of the gear bags have arrived, Julie will go through these and reach out to families. We currently have jerseys for every family that has reached out but Vanessa will still place an order to restock each size and we also need a large sock order.

New Youth Shed: The shed is finished except for installing the rolling door. Dan will have keys made for the walk-in door and get those to board members. Payment will be made to Jerimi Melton ~\$5000 (discussion had re: possible giving extra for labor) and to reimburse Dan \$750 for rolling door.

Dividers/netting: Divider modifications and attaching the netting still needs to be done.

Goalie gear: Shawn has ordered 2 sets of leg pads, a blocker and a glove.

New business

Pond hockey goals : R.C. construction has offered to build the pond hockey goals and LYHO will reimburse for materials.

Stop the Bleed/First Aid: We will try to get a date on the books to hold this training. Vanessa will talk with trainers and get a few date ideas.

Adjourn: Next meeting scheduled for December 9th, 2024 at 6pm at the Civic Center?