

**Apple Valley Hockey Association
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
December 13, 2006**

Board Members Present: Tom Benda, Kent Keckeisen, Dan Hanlon, Doug Nelson, Michelle Toavs, Gregg Ess, Annette Opseth, Randy Olson, Mike Leopold, Judy Goodman, Tim Everson, Kevin Wartick.

Board Members Absent: Beth Caspar, Kim Wengenroth, Rick Fasching

Guest Members Present: Pat Westrum, Peter Daly

Meeting was called to order by President Tom Benda at 7:01pm , December 13, 2006.

Secretary's Report:

November meeting minutes were amended as follows:

Kim Wengenroth was moved from the members present list to the members absent list.

Peewee A extra Jersey set discussed to no conclusion.

Ms. Goodman made the motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Mr. Ess.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30pm.

Mr. Benda moved to accept the amended November minutes, seconded by Mr. Keckeisen, motion passed unanimously.

Open Microphone:

Peter Daly gave a mite update:

107 players on 12 teams.

54 new players, 10 being girls.

23 kindergartners

45 1st graders

30 2nd graders

There are 3 mites playing at U10, and 16 mites playing Squirt C. Total 126 mite players.

Mr. Daly explained there are 3 groups of 4 teams each. Each group has a lead coach. Two of the lead mite coaches are also head coaches for boys traveling teams.

Starting December 14, 2006 mites will be skating between periods of the high school games.

This years mite sponsors have had their puck recognition placed in the case at Hayes arena. Their sponsorships total is \$1750.00. This money was raised by placing a notice on the mite page of the Apple Valley Hockey website. Other than that no other effort was made to raise sponsorships.

Mr. Daly gave recommendations for the development of another mite coordinator. Explaining some of his considerations based on his experience at the position for the past several years.

Directors of Hockey Report: Pat Westrum

All AVHA coaches are certified to the level needed.

DOH are working on evaluating and applying skill progression for the coaches.

Mr. Westrum has a set program for Squirt C practices. He's been told Eastview teams do things differently from the set program when he's not present. AV emphasis is on skating and stick handling.

Mr Westrum would like feedback from the parents about how they think the program is going. He would like to know if the kids are having fun. Mr. Westrum also emphasized the mite program needs strong attention every year and there was discussion considering having one of the DOH being solely responsible for the Mite program every year.

Edina and Minnetonka are interested in AVHA Squirt C program. Mr. Westrum would like to get all of District 6 doing this program.

District 6 Report: Dan Hanlon

Reported 1300 waivers signed this year, otherwise, operation normal. Mr. Hanlon sent an email to board members earlier in the month referencing D6 issues.

Gambling Report: Mike Leopold

Assistant gambling manager is in the hospital.

November was a pretty good month. Thanksgiving through the first week of December revenues fell off.

Carbone's update – Owner told Mr. Leopold the expansion design is not complete (our gambling booth is slated to be included in this expansion design).

Lakeville Lions Club would like to take our gambling spot at Carbone's. The owner needs to put the issue up with the City Council.

February would be the earliest we could expect to be conducting gambling in Carbone's

Mr. Leopold said he had two employees quit in the last four days.

There was a request for information explaining the \$1000.00 October office supply charge reimbursement. Mr. Leopold explained he would need more time to get the information from his hospitalized assistant.

Mr. Everson made a motion to accept the gambling report, seconded by Ms. Oppseth. Motion passed with one abstaining.

Mr. Benda made a motion to approve up to \$60,000 in expenses for December, seconded by Mr. Nelson. Motion carried with one abstaining.

Treasurers Report: Michelle Toavs

Tournament ticket prices were discussed. No changes as of now.

Uniform expense was higher than expected mainly because the Squirt C program wasn't defined before budgeting for uniforms.

A motion was made by Mr. Keckeisen to approve the Treasurers report, seconded by Mr. Everson. Motion carried unanimously.

Fundraising Report: Gregg Ess

Schwann's fundraiser has brought in \$5,000 so far.

Members are asking about a larger or full menu availability from Schwann's in the future. Mr. Ess to check.

New Business:

Decided level coordinators should contact DOH to attend more practices and games. DOH should contact the coaches about what they see.

Elections for new board members should be in late January or early February. There will be five openings on the board.

Beth to email elections are eminent.

See if voting on-line is a possibility. Check with the webmaster.

Dan Hanlon has updated the AVHA member guide per the annual need. Copies were distributed to all board members for review. Vote to approve the updated member guide will be at the January board meeting.

Mr. Wartick made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Everson. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 9:25pm

Respectfully submitted by Randy Olson