

**AYHA
Board Meeting Minutes**

I. ATTENDEES

Jeff Willis – President	Denise Conklin – Tournament Director
Bob Wright - Treasurer	Tim Guy – Ways and Means Director
Ryan Wise – Master Ice Scheduler	Steve Nolan – Coaching Director
Henry Vanderminden – House League Director	Matt Mello - Concessions
Shandra Hayes – Boys Travel Director	Norm Van Diest – Information Systems Director
Steve Moore – ACE Director	Fred Volkman – Marketing/Communications Dir.
Bill Willows – Past President & Registrar	Sonia Guy

II. OPENING

The regular meeting of the AYHA was called to order at 6:30pm on Tuesday, August 26, 2008 at Humbugg's in by Jeff Willis, President.

III. MINUTES

Meeting Minutes Approval - Minutes from the Board Meeting held on August 11, 2008 were approved.

Treasure's Report – Bob submitted the financials through August 25, 2008. They were approved by the board. A copy is on file.

Registration Drive – The letters for distribution in schools during the second week of September must be prepared and submitted for approval by the school districts.

Equipment Van Availability – Henry contacted Joe Ippolito about the van. The van is currently in the Syracuse/Rochester region.

Equipment Package Deals - Steve contacted Chris Chapel of Dr. Blades about equipment packages. Chris quoted \$150 for an equipment package including all protective gear and skates made by Bauer or Itech.

Pictures – Lisa contacted Sports Journal for pictures. The pictures will be scheduled for early November.

Honoring Tim Robert – The discussion was tabled pending receipt of the matching donation.

Parking Lot Upgrade – The City of Glens Falls is proposing to add parking at the Rec. Center. The proposal would garner more support if AYHA provided support in terms of tree removal and/or paving. Members with expertise in tree removal will be contacted to determine if they would volunteer their equipment and expertise.

River Rats Game (October 17) – All AYHA players will be invited to skate prior to the game from 4:30 to 5:30. The Squirt 'A' Travel Team will skate during the first intermission. Three hundred tickets will be sold at a group rate (\$13 Adult/\$9 Child) for this skate.

Travel Teams – Shandra made a proposal for the number of games to be played at each level for the travel teams and the integration of the 'B' travel team players into the house league. More discussion on the proposal will occur when the number of players is better defined.

Committee reports:

Information Systems – The coaching application, deadline for coaching applications and the President's Message were posted. The Pay Pal link is active again. A link to the USA Hockey registration page was added.

Norm requested the Black Bear and Northstar logos for the website.

The financial aid payment plan forms will be added this week.

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Finance / Budgets – Bob requested that all budgets be submitted immediately. A rough budget will be drafted by the Executive Committee for the next meeting.

Facilities – No report.

Coaching Selection – Steve Lemay, Steve Moore and Jeff Willis were approved by the Board to coach the Pee Wee, Squirt and Mite ‘A’ travel teams, respectively.

There were no applications to coach the Bantam ‘A’ travel team. Steve will contact parents in the group to identify coaching candidates.

House League – Henry Vanderminden: All activities are currently geared toward registration.

Northstars – No update.

Parent Education – Shandra is drafting a program for the parents.

Survey – No update.

Tournaments – Denise Conklin: Cabin Fever Tournament was scheduled for January 23-25.

Scheduling – Ryan Wise: Ice availability at the Civic Center is limited. Ryan will pursue ice for September in Clifton Park to start tryouts earlier.

Volunteer Hours – A recommendation to increase the number of volunteer hours from six to eight and a maximum of twenty hours per family and to create a policy where volunteers would earn double time during peak hours was made by Matt Mello. The Board approved the recommendation.

Action Items

Action	Responsible	Due Date
Prepare letter for distribution in schools	Fred	9/8
Schedule equipment van for registration drive	Henry	9/15
Arrange for equipment fitting by Dr. Blades during the registration drive	Steve	9/15
Schedule pictures	Lisa	10/13
Provide logos to Norm	Jeff	9/15
Draft budget	Jeff, Lisa, Bob, Carole	9/15
Identify coaching candidates for the Bantam ‘A’ travel team.	Steve N.	9/15
Schedule date for cash raffle	Tim	9/15
Create Parent Education program	Shandra	9/15
Determine availability of ice in Clifton Park	Ryan	9/15

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm. The next meeting will be on Monday, September 15th at 6:30 at the Glens Falls Recreation Center.

Minutes submitted by: Jeff Willis, on September 8, 2008