

**AYHA**  
**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**November 9, 2009**

**I. ATTENDEES**

Jeff Willis – President	Darryl Coltey – Girls Tournament Director
Henry Vanderminden – Vice President	Matt Mello – Concessions
Carol Nizolek – Secretary	Norm VanDiest – Information Systems Director
Shandra Hayes – Boys Travel Director	Pat Murphy - Member
Sue Baldwin – Girls Administrative Director	Pam Grandin - Member
Steve Moore – ACE Coordinator	Robert Randall – Member
Kelli Moore – Tournament Director	

**II. OPENING**

The regular meeting of the AYHA was called to order at 7:30pm on Monday, November 9, 2009 at Dangos Dugout.

**III. MINUTES**

**Meeting Minutes Approval** - Minutes from the Board Meeting held on October 12, 2009 were approved with one clarification. Between the Civic Center and Forum, 115 hours of ice, not 152 hours, will be scheduled for the Winter Classic Tournament.

**Treasure's Report** – No report.

**Committee reports:**

**Concessions** – In a one week period, the concession area made approximately \$1,200.

Matt recommended installing hand sanitizer in the concession area.

The decision was made to have the figure skates sharpened at a cost of \$100 for 35 pair.

AYHA is required to clean the warming room.

Locker room assignments need to be made for the visiting teams.

**Information Systems** – Norm will make the following updates to the website:

- Add The Lake George Forum to the rink links.
- Add NYSAHA scholarship link.
- Remove the Post Star liaison from the volunteers needed section.

Every Travel Team should have their schedulers contact information listed on the website.

**Facilities** – Jeff and Ryan met with the City of Glens Falls on Wednesday, November 4<sup>th</sup>. The City is requesting AYHA provide some financial contribution for the new compressor. AYHA will make contributions through capital improvements such as, paving the parking lot and new boards.

We will look into Public Access Lighting (PAL) from National Grid for the parking lot.

AYHA is contractual obligated to clean the rink. Matt will create a daily clean up list. Clean up of the rink will count towards volunteer hours.

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**House League** – Coaches have been selected for all of the house league teams. The decision was made to have all major players skate together for the next couple of weeks. Skill based placement rather than age based placement was encouraged for the House League players.

Kelli and Carol will help with Termite registration on Monday, November 16<sup>th</sup> at the Civic Center.

**Marketing & Communications** – No report.

**Northstars** – The Winter Classic Tournament will consist of 48 teams in 5 divisions, from 6 different states and Canada. 22 teams have reserved rooms using the Certified Travel website.

**Boys Travel** – No report.

**Tournament Director** – We will be hosting the “Fire on Ice” A level tournament December 11 – 13<sup>th</sup>. The decision was made to conduct “chuck-a-puck” instead of having a 50/50 raffle. The winner will receive 50% of the chuck-a-puck money raised for that specific game. Kelli will order 200 red chuck a pucks.

March 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> are possible dates for holding the Midget tournament.

**Scheduling** – No report.

**Ace Coordinator** – Steve requested all coaches email their contact information to him. A coaches clinic will be scheduled in December.

**Ways and Means** – No report.

**Registrar** – No report.

**New Business**

**Midget Membership Fees** – A motion was made and approved (none opposed) to change the Midget fee to \$450 for all Midget players.

**National Grid Deposit** – No report.

**Injured Player Tryouts** – The Board reviewed the status of two players within the PeeWee age level that were injured and could not attend tryouts. The Board determined that it was unfair to the existing players on the Travel Teams to add additional players and to the players that were initially cut to have a second tryout for a single player. If a player is injured and cannot skate during tryouts, the player will be considered for the team based on an evaluation from the player’s coach from the prior year.

**Jerseys** – At the Termite and Cross Ice levels, jersey numbers will be pre-printed. The Minor and Major House League teams can pick their own numbers.

**Registration / Recruitment** – The 1999 and 2000 birth year registration numbers are low. We need a plan to encourage players in this age group.

**One Goal Equipment Policy** – The one goal equipment bags are available for the Termite and Cross Ice level players. A \$75 deposit is required. When the equipment is returned at the end of the season, the \$75 deposit will be returned.

**Open Discussion** – Shandra will coordinate the cash raffle.

An adult is required at all “open stick “skates.

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Carol will contact Sports Journal and schedule pictures for December 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>.

Pam Grandin presented a new fundraiser idea to the board. The fundraiser works by purchasing gift cards to participating stores. Each time a gift card is used, AYHA would get a percentage of kick back. The basic concept sound easy but the gift cards would need to be paid for and ordered up front and reorder from time to time depending on the need.

**Action Items**

<b>Action</b>	<b>Responsible</b>	<b>Due Date</b>
Cash Raffle	Shandra	12/14/09

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30pm. The next meeting will be held on Monday, December 14, 2009 at 7:30pm at Dangos Dugout.

Minutes submitted by: Carol Nizolek on December 8, 2009