

HAHA MINUTES
December 29, 2009

Board Members Present: Jason Carlson, Mark Deroche, Jim Koepke, Marty Olson, Erik Peterson, and Eric Sams. Other HAHA officials and members present: Bob Schmidt

Secretary's Report: The minutes for November were not available and will be approved at the January meeting.

Treasurer's Report: No report presented this period

Gambling Report: Bob requested copies of October and November minutes for his files. Bob received notification that our 2008 Annual Tax Return was not received and he is resubmitting it. Mid December Bob entered into a pull-tab lease agreement for a machine operation at the Beacon in Hermantown. The application is currently in front of the Hermantown City Council awaiting approval. Estimated start date if approved would be February 1, 2010.

Bob presented the November, 2009 tax return comprised of gross receipts of \$117,409.95 with prizes paid out of \$97,355; for net receipts of \$20,054.95; total taxes & fees paid out of \$5,785.63; expenses of \$9,960.85 for a net profit of \$4,308.47. This leaves a carry forward profit of \$53,862 after donations of \$21,236 for the prior month ice rental. Actual expenses for the period were \$16,982.25 versus a proposed budget of \$16,026. A motion to accept the November, 2009 tax return was made by Mark Deroche and second by Marty Olson. The motion carried 6 yes and 0 no.

Bob proposed a budget for January, 2010 of \$20,596 as we are starting to enter payment of combined receipt taxes. A motion to accept the proposed budget was made by Jason Carlson and second by Eric Sams. The motion carried 6 yes and 0 no.

A request was received from Chris Cloutier, Treasurer of HAHA, for a schedule C donation payable to the Hermantown Arena on behalf of HAHA, in the amount of \$12,485 to cover the cost of ice rental during the period Nov 21-Dec 20th. A motion to approve the donation was made by Erik Peterson and second by Marty Olson. The motion carried 6 yes and 0 no.

HAHA Member Concerns: None

Fund Raising: Review of offer from Ballard's to hold a raffle. Agreed to precede even though short notice to the association. Gambling ID, prize descriptions, and sequential numbering required to print tickets with a one week turnaround. First Prize winner of guided fishing trip will be allowed to arrange own weekend with Ballard's; Second prize-42" LCD TV; 3rd Prize \$100 Cash. Recommend to print 1,200 tickets @ \$10 with a selling period of approx 45 days. Require each association family (not per player) to sell 5 tickets and balance of tickets will be sold at local businesses. Families required to pay for unsold tickets, but will not be required to pay upfront. Establish two collection dates (Feb 17th & 23rd) prior to drawing on February 27th. Targeting distributing raffle tickets by Jan 13th, but we will not solicit sales during MN Hockey Day event.

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New/Old Business:

Eric Sams talked to Christian Koehling regarding an opportunity to have the UMD Bulldog players skate at some of our practices over break, however he did not received a response back.

Discussed planning for upcoming MN Hockey Day. Event is based on volunteers supporting and we will be soliciting participation from our membership. If the volunteer positions are supported, HAHA players wearing their jerseys to the games will be admitted for free. Proceeds from the event will be shared between the HS Hockey Club and HAHA. Our MM & Mite teams will be playing throughout the day on rinks 1&2 to support the event as well as limited indoor games at the squirt and peewee levels. We are also looking at involving our players in stick salutes to the players, presentation of gifts, cleaning of ice during intermissions. Locker rooms will be an issue and we will be working to find accommodations for our players to get skates on for their games.

A motion to adjourn was made by Marty Olson and second by Jim Koepke. Motion carried 6 yes and 0 no.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday January 27th, 2010 7:00PM at the Hermantown Arena.

Submitted by
Jim Koepke