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MINUTES FOR JULY 17, 2013

1. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** 6:37 p.m.
ATTENDANCE: BOARD MEMBERS: JT Thomas, Kristin Knapp, Chris Roose, Scott Carter, Perry Wooden, Dave Glass, Dee Perry, Jayne Mattias, Luke Hubbard, Jim Hetrick, Bridget Uren
NONBOARD MEMBERS: Betsy Dank, Amy Anderson
2. **AGENDA:** A motion to accept the agenda was made by Dave, seconded by Scott. **CARRIED.** A motion was made by JT to move the Advantege Fundraiser up on the agenda. Seconded by Scott. Carried.
3. **MINUTES:** Motion to approve the minutes for May1, 2013 meeting made by Chris, seconded by Jim. **CARRIED.**
4. **TREASURER'S REPORT:** Jim gave the treasurer's report. The outstanding \$50.00 check from the raffle was finally cashed. We do pay a maintenance fee of \$300.00 per year for our scheduling program/software.
5. **COMMUNICATIONS:** None
6. **PUBLIC COMMENT.** Betsy Dank-wants to do a pamphlet about gear maintenance, keeping it clean. Pamphlet for parents & kids. Dee-when we get a ton of questions about this pamphlet the board is not going to field those questions. JT-we will look at the MAHA website & give something out at the beginning of the year. Scott-feels this is a good idea. Perry-good idea to check USA Hockey/MAHA for that information. JT-if she wanted to put something together & bring to the board for approval that would be fine.
7. **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - A. Advantege Fundraiser: \$5.00 donation to come & meet Justin Florek & Mark Olver, professional hockey players. Learn stick handling tips, get autographs, pictures & learn the ice treadmill, conditioning, strength training. Kids will need to bring sticks & skates. Open to anyone. All of the \$5.00 would go to Iron Range Hockey Association Learn to Skate Program. Saturday, August 3rd 12:00pm to 4:00pm. Publicity on radio, paper and sending invites to other associations. Do the event in partnership with Advantege & Iron Range Hockey Association. Scott will work with Brian from Advantege to do the radio spots. Denise will contact Team Moms, Chris will place on the website, Facebook & contact other associations.
 - B. Schwans Fundraiser: Runs for a 12 month period. For the first 4-5 weeks we receive 20% & then after that period it is 5%. Kristin will check into.
 - C. Cliff's/Rio Tinto Community Grant Stratedy: Scott, Chris & Cliff Carter are in the process of writing a grant for the ice arena expansion. Discussion

ensued about does this grant need to be run through the City of Negaunee. IRHA could get the grant & we would flow it through the City of Negaunee. JT-contact Derek or Jeff the City Manager at how to proceed. Scott-the city does not want to have us competing with each other. JT-make sure we do not step on any toes.

- D. Website Advertising Status: Scott-do we want to open this up beyond the three hotels that are advertising on our website now. Scott-we can open this up but it is going to take someone to actively pursue this. It will be time & effort. Chris-we want people to come in that really want space to advertise. Luke-pursue Perani's, Hockey Central. Chris-Advantage. JT-John Jilbert. Chris-be careful of doing advertising that is in direct competition with one of our sponsors. JT-we should target a select group of people/businesses. Chris will look into it more & will report back in August.
 - E. Grow your Association with USA Hockey: 2 & 2 Challenge USA Hockey. Scott thinks we should do this again. We have done this previously. Chris-we should do it again. Retain 2 players & gain 2 players. Scott made a motion that we should enter our association into the 2 on 2 challenge. Seconded by Perry. CARRIED. Scott will take care signing IRHA for this.
 - F. USA Hockey Safesport Information: Luke is the coordinator of this. Luke-he still needs to do the classes. Any abuse, complaints this would be the person to handle this. Safesport rep will need to be at all team meetings. Perry-have lock boxes outside of the locker rooms for phones and IPODS. They are not allowed in the locker room. Luke-in the information he has read it recommended that associations have a travel policy. Perry-as of now there is not an official program for background checks which goes into effect August 1st.
 - G. MAHA Summer Meeting: Perry-one of the new rules adopted the year end is April 30th. May 1st to April 30th. Eventually all associations will have to do this as well. Jim-our fiscal year ends April 30th. Our fiscal years begins May 1st. Perry-Try Hockey for Free-guys from downstate will be up here first weekend in November. Tentative on Ron Mays if he has to work the Wings game being he is an off ice official. Task force 2018 for direction of MAHA. 38 associations applied for one goal grants. 5 Associations are from the UP. Hockey day is March 1st.
 - H. Concussion Management Program: Scott-will be streamlined. State of Michigan will be making some changes to this. It looks much simpler to handle. Scott-table until next meeting.
 - G. Board Member Comments: Jim-most team moms coaches we no longer have to have signatures on official rosters. The came through from USA Hockey. JT-saw in the paper that Perkins will do fundraisers. They will do a pancake breakfast or will donate a percentage over a 6 hour period. Can get slips to people or have a skater stand there & hand out the slips. It is only on food not on alcohol. Luke-look at Golf outing. JT-in October the board should look at fundraising options.
- 8. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**
- A. Locker Room Committee Update: Scott-have we heard anything on the land. JT-contact is Jeff Thornton, Negaunee City Manager. JT will talk to Jeff about the land. Chris & Scott will get together to write the grant. Jim-will ask Pete Odovero is that land is his.

- B. HS Committee Update: Jt-they can't find a coach. They can't get anyone to do it. There have been no applications submitted. It may fall to Art Goupille. Practices will have to be before school being he can't do them after school. Practices would be a 5:30am. Jim Derocher-Superintendent of Negaunee Schools has made no decisions if the schools will take over the high school hockey team over or not. Jane-needs the schedule & needs to know how much ice time the Club teams will need. Scott-will need 30 minutes before & 30 minutes after which ends up to be a 4 hour time frame when the city likes to do 3 hour time frames.
 - C. Fundraising-Raffle License is it ready to be sent in? Scott will get it done & get it to JT
 - D. -Open Committee's to be filled: Fundraising-Clothing Angie Clement.
9. **OLD BUSINESS:**
- A. Cross Ice Boards-Chris-we signed the agreement with USA Hockey to obtain the Cross Ice Boards. Host a try hockey for free, Host a one day Jamboree, Schedule a practice session with ADM Manager, 8U players with one station based practice per week. 5% increase over last year LTS numbers. We will schedule the Jamboree at the August Board Meeting. Scott-3500.00 charge with a 2000.00 grant so most is 1500.00 least 500.00. Scott made a motion to accept offer from Maha for Hard Board Divider Program & have Jim Hetrick send a 1,000 check in. Support by Dee. CARRIED.
 - B. Review LTS Registration Fee: \$80.00 plus \$200.00 in raffle tickets. Chris-we were looking for someone to come in & take full sponsorship. Brian Claus from Advantedge could not do full sponsorship. Communication with Bell has ceased. One Goal grant-when cost goes up the numbers go down. Learn to Skate program costs \$8,000.00 which is the whole program, including the try hockey for free. JT-look at reducing it down to \$50.00 Chris-we could still hear something from Bell he hasn't given up on them yet. Dee makes a motion to reduce the LTS registration fee for the 2013-2014 season from \$80.00 to \$50.00. Seconded by Luke. CARRIED.
 - C. Committee to start LTS Flyer & related items: Kristin & Bridget-will print the flyer & Dave will distribute to schools. Chris will do 300 colored copies, they are 25 cents per page & we will do registration on the back side.
 - D. Affiliate Agreement-done
 - E. Fox Negaunee Fundraiser -\$5,350.00. JT-We will send a Thank you to Bob Hanson & Fox Negaunee.
 - F. Marquette Community Foundation Grant-\$1500.00 & \$500 for Cross Ice Dividers: Thank you to Marquette Community Foundation & Negaunee Community Foundation. Do as letter to the editor so we get it for free. Send on behalf of Iron Range Hockey Board. Jayne will forward Kristin one she has done in the past
 - G. OneGoal Grant: It is submitted. 5 UP Associations applied for it. Perry-we should know by the end of August.
 - H. Policies: None
 - I. Board Member Comments. Bridget-Joanne Tadgerson- the new team coming to Marquette-The Royals. They are interested in doing clinics with our association. Chris-we need to get a waiver done. In the past the Rangers came the first night of LTS & cut & taped sticks. Jim-where are we with registration forms. Bridget-we need form for next meeting. Jim-letter for

outstanding balances from last year. Jayne-have new jerseys been ordered?
Scott & Luke will meet together & take care of. Need 20 jerseys per set.
Letter, logo & number on back the cost is \$35.00 per jersey. Luke-we need 9
sets. 2 sets for 1 each squirts, 4 sets peewees, 2 bantam, 1 midget. IRHA will
pay for socks. Scott-last year socks we \$8.00 per pair. We order 200.
Scott/Perry-do a Fox logo on the sleeves/shoulder of the Jerseys.

10. **PUBLIC COMMENT.** None.
11. **ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made by Perry to adjourn the meeting,
seconded by Bridget, **CARRIED.** Meeting adjourned at 8:26 PM.