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MINUTES FOR November 6, 2013

1. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** 6:39pm
ATTENDANCE: Board Members: John Thomas, Chris Roose, Kristin Knapp, Jayne Mattias, Scott Carter, Perry Wooden, Bridget Uren, Luke Hubbard, Denise Perry, David Glass
NONBOARD MEMBERS: Jeri Borlace, Lisa Mikkola, Travis Reamer, Steve Dales, Karen Holmgren, Tim Lystila, Scott Mann
2. **AGENDA:** A motion was made by Dave to move agenda item 7 E, Request for Reimbursement down to agenda item 9E, seconded by Bridget. **CARRIED.**
3. **MINUTES:** Motion to approve the minutes from the 10/2/2013 meeting was made by Luke, seconded by Scott. **CARRIED.** Motion to accept the closed session minutes was made by Chris, seconded by Luke. **CARRIED.**
4. **TREASURER'S REPORT:** Jim was absent. JT made recommendation to accept the treasurer's report & keep it on file in his absence. Any questions bring them up at the next meeting. Chris-are we completely closed from last season. JT-no we are not. But the list is getting smaller.
5. **COMMUNICATIONS:** Requests for refunds to be placed in to closed session. JT-Affiliate agreement sent to his house so we are good there. Scott-MQT JR Hockey had a box of San Jose colored socks which they gave to him for Iron Range Hockey.
6. **PUBLIC COMMENT.** Travis Reamer-Mites used cross ice dividers & they worked very well. Discussion ensued about seeing if sponsors would want to advertise on the boards. There are issues to work out with the City to make sure we were okay there.
7. **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - A. Players from other associations practicing on IRHA Ice. Jayne-wrote a policy that we may want to put into place. Every year this is an issue. Every year it is discussed. It is currently at the Bantam level. Jayne read the policy she had written. JT-to get a policy adopted it has to be read twice. Board Liaison to Bantams who is JT will speak with the coach. Unregistered Iron Range Player Violation. 1st reading.
 - B. Mite Goalie Equipment (Small): Dave-Tim & Dave looked in the Equipment Room & the smallest we have is 22 inches. Last week Dave was at Perani's, set of 20's is \$150.00. Suggestion to the board if it is not too expensive that we buy two sets. An 18 & a 20. Are we talking complete sets? Need complete sets. A motion was made by Luke that the association buy two complete sets of small goalie gear for the mite level to the best bidder

between Perani's & Hockey Central. Best overall deal for the mite program, quickest, cheapest, fastest, we need ASAP. Seconded by Dee. **CARRIED.**

- C. Behavior of Children at the rink. Dee will send out an e-mail to the team moms. This is an issue at the rink every year. There needs to be something upstairs as well. Parent responsibility to help monitor this. The city workers should not be responsible for monitoring the behavior of our kids.
- D. Board Member Comments: Perry-reminder to coaches all exemptions due to him by November 15th. Less than 20 games by February 1st, less than 3 teams, player injury, ect. Scott-District 8 Fall Meeting: March 1st is Hockey Day in Michigan. Nov 2nd & 3rd Try Hockey for Free. Bridget got many people here, good participation by Board Members. PeeWee coaches came & were on the ice. SafeSport certifications are done & will be sent to Perry. Score sheets grabbed a 100 for \$30.00. Cup League Website- for registering games. Lots of updates to the website this year. Star has not changed with SafeSport out there. Team Credentials; a weekend check on January 12th in Marquette rink from 10-2. All teams in association need to have their books checked. All books can be taken down at one time. Perry will pre-check them also. Bring books to December board meeting if teams want them pre-checked. Michigan Hockey Concussion Management Form: has to be on file until the player is 19 years old. Form is on the Website. Place forms in KG Remax box. This would be for all levels. Adopted a MAHA state tournament fee format. Biggest difference you normally see is ice cost. IRHA down 24 players as of that meeting date. JT-Tina Matinson: DAHA: SafeSport Locker Room Policy. She was asking for suggestions & wondering what other associations were doing. Luke has responded to this. JT & Chris-contacted by Brian Claus of Advantedge. They are looking at getting rid of the skating machine. They would like to donate it to Iron Range Hockey Association. Main concern is where would it be put. JT met with Derek from the City. The city is all for it but it would be IRHA's responsibility. If it was placed upstairs a check of the sub floor would have to be done to make sure it can handle the weight of the machine & make sure we have the head clearance for it. Looking also at one area downstairs. We would also get a training module with it. These are things that all have to be worked out. It is in the infant stage right now. Training will have to happen with it. Physical trainer can train coaches. It will have a cost to be used. IRHA can make money on it. At this time Advantedge is looking at getting out of the hockey training aspect. We would have to check on the liability to the association to make sure that we were covered there. There are only three of the machines in the state. Chris-needs number of new players in LTS from last year. Rotating banner-on the website. Website advertising of the three Chris has commitments from one. Country Inn & Suites-were they contacted? Luke-did we hit up Peranis & Hockey Central? The cost is \$300.00. One Goal-spent some money on replacement helmets. Will purchase sticks & more One Goal equipment.

8. COMMITTEE REPORT:

- A. Locker Room Committee Update: Iron Ore Heritage Trail does own the property behind this building. JT-will talk to Jim Thomas. JT has a direct route & will go that direction. Lundin Grant-must be done by mid January.

- B. HS Committee Update: New coach is here. They have a willingness to work with us on outstanding IRHA hockey bills & agree they must be made current before a High School player steps foot on the ice. Discussion ensued about can a Midget players go to a high school practice being the high school coach wants to practice a 4th line? Our midgets are registered under USA Hockey. Will discuss with the High School coach about taking the age specific module. Would be considered a Midget practice. Could our players be charged? IRHA Board would recommend no charge.
 - C. Tournament; Bridget & Dee attended a meeting about the Holiday Tournament. Seems more organized this year. Mite Jamboree will be January 11th. Cannot be advertised until it is sanctioned. Scott will take care of getting the sanction done.
9. **OLD BUSINESS:**
- A. Helmets: E-mail from Bauer & USA Hockey
 - B. Learn to Skate: There needs to be more hands for the chair pushers. An e-mail will be sent out to coaches.
 - C. Try Hockey for Free Clinic: 7 registered & 6 skated.
 - D. Board Member Comments : Perry-do background checks. Get sheets to Jim. Jayne-NMU Club Games: IRHA needs a board member at each one. Scott will be at all of them. The NMU Club Game Fundraiser date Saturday, December 7th. The guys will take care of the grilling. Raffle table, 50/50 table. Gate fee-a canned good or toy. Schwan fundraiser-Kristin will look into again. Never heard from the District guy the first time she called. Decal fundraiser is being done.
 - E. Request for Reimbursement (3): Motion made by Dee to go into closed session at 8:16pm, seconded by Luke. **CARRIED**. Motion to come out of closed session was made by Dave, seconded by Scott. **CARRIED**.
10. **PUBLIC COMMENT.**
11. **ADJOURMENT:** A motion was made by Perry to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Jayne, **CARRIED**. Meeting adjourned at 8:43 PM.