

**Thunder Bay Queens  
Board Meeting Minutes  
March 6, 2024  
5:00 – 7:10 PM  
Via Zoom**

**Board of Directors Present:** Chantal Keating, Liesa Wynn, Stacey Hutton, Cory Hrubeniuk, Dave Paddington

**Regrets:** Michelle Trevisan

Meeting called to order at 5:00 PM

1. Approve Agenda - Reviewed and accepted as presented.
2. Review/approve minutes from previous meeting – Approved as presented to post on the website.
  - a. All raffle draws have been completed. The funds applied to January Ice.
  - b. Finalizing the submission of CEDC Funding Report to collect payment. Assistance from the city to obtain the reports for the number of rooms and people checked in to hotels.
  - c. Discussed process of 50/50 draws
  - d. The Alumni List has been updated on the website.
3. Equipment – Order for replacement jerseys and socks for next season to be completed by June.
4. Ice - Tryout Dates were discussed and noted under item 10. (b).
  - a. U16 High Performance Camp – Scheduled to take place May 18, 2024.
  - b. Exhibition Series Ice for the U18AA, U22, U18A and U15AA incurred extra costs for camera and equipment that will cost each of the four teams \$678 to breakeven. Next year having each team contribute \$650 all costs should be covered. Discussed going with a tournament style and bringing in sponsors.
  - c. Email received from the city regarding team’s dryland prior to games – to be discussed further.
  - d. Cory to follow up to see if there is any invoice coming for a room rental at the Port Arthur arena since we did last year for the U22.
  - b. Financials – Chantal noted that Provincial Fees increased by \$200 for each team this year. Chantal will be reviewing the monthly financials with Michelle to ensure reports are completed to be posted on the website.
5. TBWHA Update Items – Discussed mandated interlock games within TBWHA to build on partnerships and support the Fury program.
6. Social Media / Sponsors
  - a. Walleye Ad / Digital Sign – Discussed digital sign, pricing and how quick the ad can be displayed. Liesa will follow up with Immersive Link for the FWFN digital sign.
  - b. Highlight Reels – Sponsor Package Dave will work on this weekend.

## 7. Team issues / Items

- a. U11 – End of season, recently started games vs U11 Fury
- b. U13 – North Shore games successful in Nipigon
- c. U15A – Discussed concerns that were raised regarding the number of travel trips. Hosted team from Two Harbors for exhibition series that went well.
- d. U15AA – W. Keating has been added to roster to support staff with practices. Discussed follow up for parent concern.
- e. U18A – Discussed email communication received regarding fees and possible considerations for next year.
- f. U18AA – Discussed exam conflict and Chantal and Dave will draft a letter to send from the Queens board to the appropriate people to voice our concern and support of our players. Chantal mentioned the team was holding a Seniors night. Noted for next year to ensure the board is in attendance to help celebrate.
- g. U22 – Chantal will discuss with Rich the MWJHL league proposal. The TBWHA Executive approved callup from region. University Exam conflicts with the provincials timing as with the past.

## 8. Fundraising

- a. Golf Tournament – Stacey is to look further on dates since the original dates of July 11 or 18, 2024 are no longer an option. To be discussed further at the next meeting.
- b. Refreshment Booth at Races – Organizers would like confirmation of participation for this year quickly. Discussed areas where more revenues can be made, and organizers ensure supply does not run out.

## 9. Other

- a. Coach Selection Committee / Coach Selection / Timelines for Announcing – Decided announcement will take place mid March.
- b. Tryouts / Goalie Situation
  - a. May 10-12, 2024 - U11, U13, U15AA and U18AA.
    - Goalies for U15AA cannot be selected till U18A tryout is completed if there is no suitable birth year goalie at the tryouts. A 2009 birth year goalie may be considered for the U15AA.
  - b. May 24-26, 2024 - U15A and U18A.
    - Potential 2009 goalie to play at U15A. Chantal to follow up with OWHA with Pat and Fran regarding U15 goalies and impacts on provincial plans.
- c. Surveys #2 Results – Areas of improvement to programming
- d. Player Fees - Chantal to review budgets, sponsorship and fundraising and do an analysis of costs and potential increase.
- e. Information Sessions / Nutrition / Mental Health / Social Media - Pause until next season. Information to be prioritized at the start of the season. Still waiting on scheduling with Children Centre. City Police Cyber Crime available to prepare necessary information (age appropriate).
- f. Banquet / Awards
  - a. Email sent to team managers with timelines, ticket sales and award information

- b. Will order trophies and gather graduating player jerseys
- c. Team slideshow to be coordinated, gathering of photos

**Next Meeting Date:** TBD

Meeting Adjourned at 7:10 PM