

**Luverne Hockey Club**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
November 3, 2008

1. **Call to order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by President Dan Smeins with the following members present: Reisdorfer, Connell, Frankenhoff, Sterrett, Thompson, Smedsrud, VanSanten, Crabtree, Wenninger, Baustian, Sommers, and Reverts. Also present at the meeting were Dawn Frankenhoff, Josh Crabtree, Jim & Paula Jelken, Robert Verhey, Mike and Theresa Conklin, Pat Smedsrud, Tony Smedsrud, Vince Robinson, Eric Lammert, Gayle Wenzel, & Dan Sprieter. Marie Atkinson-Smeins arrived at 8pm.
2. **Approval of Minutes:** The minutes from the October meeting were approved at the special board meeting to discuss the PeeWee tryout results.
3. **Treasurer's report:** Thompson reviewed the financial report. Motion by Connell seconded by Frankenhoff to approve, motion carried on a voice vote.
4. **Committee Reports:**
  - a. **Registration:** Sommers reported that he had been to Windom the previous Wednesday to complete the rosters. Final count was 156 skaters this year. Sommers also reported he needs to complete background checks on all coaches and board members.
  - b. **Building & Land/BMIA:** Reverts reported that the wine dinner went well for the Optimists, net was around \$3300. The Salt sale will be the end of November/ early December with delivery the middle of December. Reverts also reported that the 4 wheeler should be in soon for the raffle.
  - c. **Fundraising:** VanSanten reported that there are several opportunities coming for people to do their fundraising hours. Glens will be doing samples 11/8, butterbraid sales start 11/13, phone book delivery and salt sales will be the end of November.
  - d. **Parent Representative:** Connell reported that she has parent representatives for all the teams except for the varsity teams. Discussion was held about the changing role of the parent rep for the varsity teams and whether there would be a need for more than 1 rep for the two teams. Connell will follow up on a representative for the varsity teams.
  - e. **Concessions:** No report.
  - f. **Referees:** No report.
  - g. **Coaches:** Smedsrud reported that there are several coaching clinics next week, all coaching positions have been filled.
  - h. **Tournaments:** Crabtree reported that registrations are slow, and that there has been a rule change for District 4 for out-of-state teams. SD B teams would not be allowed to play A teams in MN as they have done in the past. This is a concern for all of the tournaments, especially for the Bantam tournament.
  - i. **Grievance:** No report.
  - j. **District Representative:** Frankenhoff will do some investigating about the rule change for tournaments, this had not been discussed at the District meeting.
  - k. **ACE Coordinator:** Frankenhoff is waiting for the packet of information from the District Ace Coordinator. Frankenhoff also noted that there have been some changes for coaching certifications, some that were previously level 2 are now level 3.
5. **Old Business:**
  - a. Contract with School Board: Sterrett reported that the board will be voting to approve or deny the contract at their meeting on 11/20. He also reported that the negotiations went well, there will be some changes with the High school parent rep in that they are to go to the coach, not the AD. If a charter bus is requested for travel, the coach will need to notify the AD ahead of time, not the parent rep.
  - b. Jersey Numbers: Sterrett asked that parents who are planning to purchase their own jersey check with him first to make sure the number is available and will not be duplicated on a team.
6. **New Business:**
  - a. Jim & Paula Jelken: Jim expressed several concerns about the tryout process and board meetings. The web site indicated that all meetings were open to the public, meeting on 10/20 was a special meeting and was not. He also expressed concern as to why the board members saw the evaluators reviews when they were supposed to be confidential, and asked why it took so long for team results to be posted. Frankenhoff explained that the wording on the web site was incorrect and has been changed. Smeins and Baustian explained that authority to post the team results had not been given by the board to the evaluators and so a meeting of the board needed to be held. A majority of the board members were not available on the last day of tryouts so the meeting was held the Monday evening after tryouts. Concern was also expressed by the Jelkens that a letter was received in the mail about the try out process, but that it was not signed by anyone, the return address was only a P.O. box. Board members stated the intent was to inform parents about the process and agreed that it should have been signed. The MN State Hockey guidelines were also reviewed and HEP program was discussed. Frankenhoff noted that District IV has a new coordinator who is working to make changes to improve the program.

- b. PeeWee B team: Discussion turned to the PeeWee B team and the position of goalie. After the teams were posted, the goalie for the PeeWee B team indicated that he does not want to play goalie 100% of the time and would like the opportunity to skate out. Discussion from those present included asking whether one of the goalies from the A team would be willing to move to the B team, whether the goalies for the A team would be allowed to skate out, whether a player can be on more than 1 team, and when rosters need to be finalized. After listening to all discussion the board recommended that the coaching director (Smedsrud) and a couple of other board members (Smeins and Frankenhoff) meet with the PeeWee B coach and assist him with filling the position of goalie. It was also decided that they would also meet with the parents after practice on Tuesday.
  - c. Dalton Smeins placement on a roster: Marie Atkinson-Smeins read a letter to the board regarding Dalton's placement on a team. Due to breaking his leg, Dalton was unable to attend tryouts and will most likely not be able to play at all this year. After discussion about whether he should be placed on the A or B roster, a motion was made by Thompson and seconded by Frankenhoff to list Dalton on the PeeWee A roster knowing that he would not be able to skate this year. Motion passed 4 to 3 on a voice vote.
  - d. Other: Newsletter: Baustian asked whether the newsletter could be put on the web site, emailed to families and posted in the lobby. Reisdorfer reported that she has had difficulty with the disc that had been used previously but is working on the issue with Frankenhoff and should have one out soon.
7. Adjourn: With no further business, motion was made by Thompson and seconded by Connell to adjourn the meeting at 10:40 p.m. Next meeting will be 7:30 p.m. December 1 at BMIA.

Linda Reisdorfer, Secretary