

**IYHA Board Meeting**  
**1/23/03**  
**Minutes by Marsha Emerson**

**In Attendance (Board Members):** Marsha Emerson, Bob Kump, Terry Fisk, Pat Musa, Jess Esposito, Bill Troy, Wayne Stokes, Sharon Kasel. **Not Present:** Jessie Emerson.

**Association Members present were:** Brian Belyea, Lita Remsen, Russ Johnson.

- Moved to have the minutes of the 12/19/02 board meeting approved. All in favor.
  
- Scheduler's Report: Discussed schedule when teams would be done for the season. Looked at ice time, and house/initiation done first week in March, travel/UNY done second week in March, and snowbelt done third week in March. Need to look sectionals for next year and how it reflects the budget.
  
- Treasurers Report: Jess Esposito reported that we are about \$5,000 ahead of previous year with budget. Compared ice cost and referee costs from last year and this year. Finances are in good shape for this year. Jess and Sharon will review ice and referee fees. Still need to collect 7 more registration fees. Jess will send out email stating last request for payment, and then Bob will make calls. If payment is not received child will not be able to continue to play until balance is paid off. Still need to reimburse 2 families that quit in December.
  
- Rink Boards: Bob attended a rink board meeting. Still not sure where we stand with this situation. Number of people voicing concerns with cost of association paying for it. Russ Johnson gave an update on the rink boards. He explained that the boards are in bad shape, and it would cost \$90,000 to \$100,000 to replace board and glass system. The Rink is looking into how to finance the boards in the next 2 years. Discussed different options: take out a 5 year note, and ask user groups to donate money (IHS, IYHA, TGHA). Talked about freeze on ice cost. This year there was a \$10.00 ice increase. Fee per player would be \$15.00 - \$20.00 or about \$4,500. Russ also discussed replacing the existing floors. Cost would be in the \$20,000 range. A decision needs to be made in the next 35-40 days on the new rink boards for the project to start in August this year. The Rink will not go ahead with plans for this year without talking with IYHA , but will go ahead next year. Discussed where

TGHA might fit into the picture. Discussed a possible pledge drive with IYHA for financing. IYHA would ask for a long-term ice and price commitment from The Rink. Would propose to get a group together to fund raise for the rink boards. Bob will propose to The Rink Board.

- Tournament Update: UNY tournament is scheduled for second weekend in March. Discussing to have either 8 teams in 1 tournament or break it down to 2 tournaments. Bill is going to a meeting next Monday, and will suggest 1 tournament with 8 teams. Pat reviewed finances for UNY tournament. Will need to set team rate. St. Patrick's Day tournament is 1 team short, but expect it to be full. Discussed taking out tournament support from teams in the budget for next year, and only covering 1 year end sectional/championship tournament.

- Exhibition Weekend: February 8-9, 2003. Almost all the teams are at The Rink. The Rink is giving IYHA a \$500.00 break on ice for the weekend. Discussed the Sponsor Program. Need to send messages to Pat. Bob will have sign up sheet for board members. Suggestion to sell old IYHA jerseys for \$10.00 during weekend.

- Bantam Travel: Need to set up meeting to discuss budget (sectionals).

- Raffle Ticket Drawing: 1<sup>st</sup> prize Max Addy, 2<sup>nd</sup> prize Carl Volkmann, 3<sup>rd</sup> prize Barb Morse.

- New Business:

Bob would like to discuss in executive session at the next board meeting developing ideas for the budget for next year. Several board members strongly endorse opening the budget process to all interested members of the association.

Jerseys New jerseys every year? Who gets new jerseys? Bob will call Chip Wood and PSP to get quotes on new jerseys. Talked about putting sponsors on jerseys. Possible thought at registration (early registration) is to pick size of jersey.

Travel Teams Think about sharing ice time to cut down on ice costs.

- Next Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 27, 2003 at 7:00 pm at The Rink.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.