

**Lake Region Hockey Association Board meeting  
August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2008**

Meeting called to order by Mark Casci at 6:10PM

Attendees: Mary Ann Casci, Mark Casci, Bill Zerfas, Niki Gjere, John Dalnes, Linda DeKanick.  
Mounds view guests; Will Gran- MV Tournament Director, Michelle Lacy- VP MVYH.

**ONLY SIX (6) Board members in attendance, need a minimum of EIGHT (8) to vote. We knew of several conflicts but hoped the others would be in attendance. Everyone's lives are busy, and if you're unable to continue your regular attendance on the board, we need to seek a replacement member.**

Mary Ann & Mark updated our MV visitors about the LRHA history and mission. They were interested in what monies pay for items associated with the two tournaments. (Nov & Jan at NSC).  
Such as who pays for advertising.

Financial Report: We are at the beginning of the fiscal year with few taxes. This will change quickly as the year continues, the taxes accumulate fast. We are a grow or die association. On report under allowable expenses, Change rent sites to Five (5) from Four (4)

Projected Expenses for September '08 – Additional \$3,300 for payroll. September will have three pay periods vs. the usual two in most months.

The Casci's worked on an advertisement that can be used at registration and elsewhere to show the 15+ years of financial support that adds up to over \$3 million dollars. Both MVHA & IYHA should post this on their websites. We need to show the new generation of hockey families how valuable LRHA has been.

Site Updates: Slow & Steady  
Big 10: Okay, good booth over all  
Our Bar & Grill: Made a little  
Meisters (was Katies): lost money, business very slow  
Chammps: Did well  
Moes: Did well

Mega Bingo – Mary Ann will be going to training for this and will try Mega Bingo out at Meisters & Big 10 and see how it goes.

**Vote on Old Business – Unable to, not enough members**

**New Business**

Requests for donations are adding up. We need to take timely action on these requests. Mary Ann will be sending out an e-mail requesting a vote via email.

- a. Serving our troops – **Tabled**
- b. TIP –youth education brochure – **Tabled**
- c. Dick Wedell Memorial - **Action required**, Donation suggested \$1,000 for memorial if approved.
- d. Breast Cancer awareness – requested by Meisters owners. **Action required**, Agreement if approved: run a Pink Ribbon game donating the proceeds, and/or matching the proceeds in

addition. Also donate the proceeds from a BINGO night. Finally local Meat companies have donated product for a meat raffle. We would donate the proceeds from the raffle. Estimated donation to not exceed \$1,500.

#### Other New Business

- a. Chammps Golf Tournament – LRHA (\$200) hole sponsor. Tournament August 23<sup>rd</sup> at Majestic Oaks. \$85 per person.
- b. ACM Membership - **Action required** \$200 Allied Charities of Minnesota Dues must be submitted by September. This association does a lot of lobbying for charitable gambling. A worthwhile association.
- c. ACM Convention– **Action Required**, This year's meeting in Duluth in November. Registration beginning now. MaryAnn & Mark attend this meeting every year, take classes required by license. Often sellers are interested in also attending and taking some classes. Arrive on a Friday morning, depart on a Saturday evening. One (1) night accommodations, mileage and registration fee. Registration \$135.00 per attendee. Hotels range from \$59 to \$119. Request to send up to five (5) people. Non members pay \$485 per person.
- d. Nite Times advertizing – Big 10 – **Tabled**  
Owners looking for assistants in paying for advertizing. Mary Ann checked on this with the GCB. We could pay up to \$120 a month if voted on. Group felt that overall he is paying a lot for the ad, \$600 per month.
- e. Annual Report – **Action Required**, Mary Ann submitted for record and voting the Annual Gambling Report for Fiscal year 2008. Members to note Date report was given to members. August 19, 2008. FY2009 goal %. Board recommends a 20% goal.
- f. LRHA still is holding onto the \$4,000 from IYHA last spring. LRHA was holding at the end of the season because of the turnover in the board members and not needed it at that time. Will consult with their new treasurer on when they want this check back.
- g. Agenda Bank Balance \$11,000

**Meeting Adjourned at 7:45pm**

**Minutes respectfully submitted by Linda DeKanick**