

**MINUTES OF MIAMA BOARD MEETING
ALBERT LEA CITY ARENA, ALBERT LEA, MN
November 9, 2005**

Board Members Present: Mike Bauer, Doug Brady, Gordy Atol, Ted Mateski, Russ Rose, Dean Mulso, Maurice Slepica, Pete Carlson, Bob Furland, Tom Moriarity and Dave Black
Board Member Absent: Garry Hadden, Rich Rakness

The meeting was called to order at 9:15a.m.

The minutes from the September 6, 2005 Board meeting were approved. The agenda was also approved with the following additions to new business: Goal Line Marketing, Laptop Computer and 2006 Budget. Russ R. moved, Bob F. seconded, agenda approved.

SECRETARY/TREASURER: Dean M. reported that four new members have joined since the Fall Conference. Dean will e-mail board members the evaluation results from the Fall Conference. Dean M. presented a detailed budget report of expenditures and revenues to date. MIAMA currently has a balance of \$19,130.22 as of October 31, 2005. Dean reported that our year-end balance should be approximately \$12,000. Gordy A. moved, Ted M seconded, treasurer report was approved.

FALL CONFERENCE REVIEW: No report.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE: No report

WEB PAGE COMMITTEE: Mike B. reported that phase one of the upgrades has been completed. They are still working on the open skating/open hockey. We currently have 51,000 unique users. We had 20,500 for October, so traffic has picked up. Average stay on the website is 12 minutes. Tom M. brought up the bulletin board topic of "dead beats". The board was asked to do something about a posted area for dead beats, but we have many concerns about the possible liability that this could cause for MIAMA. Tom M. will address this member directly with a letter from the board.

MEMBER REGONITION: No report.

MN HOCKEY: No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING: The board discussed the advertisements in the newsletter. The lack of paying advertisers and should we continue to offer this form of advertising. The board felt we should and look to get four advertisers per year at \$250.00 a year for a business card size ad or \$500.00 a year for double that size. This will cover the production of one issue each year.

ISI BOARD: Next meeting is November 12th in Dallas, TX. Pete Carlson will be representing MIAMA at the meeting, as Russ Rose will be unable to attend as our board rep.

MN HOCKEY BOARD: No report.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR: Dave B. proposed to the board to feature a rink each issue. In addition he will profile a rink person each issue and a vendor will be included as well to write and informative article. Dave B. was re-appointed as newsletter editor for 2006. Doug B. moved, Maurice seconded, motioned approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

LET'S PLAY HOCKEY ARTICLES: The board will again be writing articles to submit to LPH. Assignments were given.

SPRING WORKSHOP: The board voted to host the 2006 spring workshop in New Ulm. Doug B. moved, Mike B. seconded, motion approved. The date is yet to be determined.

MEMBERSHIP FEES: Dean M. brought up that renewal fees for arena members could be increased to \$125.00 per year. After discussion the board approved to increase the arena renewal fee to \$125.00 per year and leave the vendor fee as is. Ted m. moved, Doug B. seconded, motion approved.

MILEAGE/MEALS AND LODGING REIMBURSEMENTS: The board discussed the current reimbursement fees that board members can receive to attend meetings. After a lengthy discussion the board approved the following for 2006: mileage .40 per mile, increased from .31 per mile; \$32.00 per day for meals, no change and a reasonable rate for lodging, no change. Doug B. moved, Maurice seconded, motion approved.

OFFICER POSITION OF SECRETARY: Discussion was had about moving the position of secretary to an officer position. This position could also become the website administrator. Potentially could see a small stipend to help with the hours of service, especially due to the website. Topic was tabled.

GOAL LINE MARKETING: New vendor member gave a brief presentation about tying in arenas to sell mass advertisements to big corporations and also to make your events come alive with promotions and activities. No action taken by the board at this time.

LAPTOP COMPUTER: Discussion was had about purchasing a laptop computer for the MIAMA office. A motion was made by Maurice S. to spend up to \$2,500 and work with Russ R. to purchase the best computer for MIAMA in 2006. Seconded by Russ R. Motion approved.

2006 BUDGET: The proposed 2006 budget was approved with the addition of \$500 in expenditures in the office equipment line to reflect the additional dollars given for the laptop computer. Per this budget, MIAMA should see approximately a balance of \$11,400 at the end of 2006.

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON ASSIGNMENTS:

Fall Conference:	Doug Brady and Maurice Slepica
Spring Workshop:	Bob Furland and Tom Moriarity
Nominations & Elections:	Pete Carlson
Member Recognition:	Dean Mulso
Education Programs:	Russ R. and Gordy Atol
Web Page:	Mike Bauer and Dean Mulso
Retirees & Alumni:	Garry Hadden and Ted Mateski
Future Conferences:	Bob Furland and Russ Rose

DISTRICT REPORTS:

CENTRAL: No report

SOUTH METRO: Held a meeting on October 19 at the Richfield Ice Arena. Had presentations by BRR Technologies, Reach Sports Marketing Group and Protection Pro. Had round tables and had approximately 22 members present.

SOUTHERN: Will be holding a meeting in December.

NORTH METRO: No report

WEST METRO: Will be holding a meeting in the near future. Topic will be concessions and the profits they produce. Location TBD.

NORTHEAST: Walt had one on September 15. He had Carlton Saw and Knife and Arrowhead Paint at the meeting.

EAST METRO: No report.

The next board meeting will be held at 9:30am at the National Sports Center – Schwan’s Center on February 8th, 2006.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:26p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dean Mulso
MIAMA Secretary/Treasurer/Administrative Assistant