

**MINUTES OF MIAMA BOARD MEETING  
NSC/SCWAN SUPER RINK, BLAINE, MN  
February 8, 2006**

Board Members Present: **Mike Bauer, Doug Brady, Russ Rose, Dean Mulso, Pete Carlson, Bob Furland, Tom Moriarity, Dave Black, Rich Rakness, Garry Hadden, Maurice Slepica**

Board Members Absent: Ted Mateski, Gordy Atol,

Guests Present: **Mark Jorgensen,**

The meeting was called to order at 9:35a.m.

The minutes from the November 9, 2005 Board meeting were approved. The agenda was also approved with the following additions: change September minutes to November minutes. Change item C under New Business to C Old Business. Under New Business C add Website Bulletin Board D and item D - ISI. Mike B. moved, Pete C. seconded, agenda approved.

OPEN FORUM: Mark Jorgensen from MN Hockey presented information about the coaches on ice for 2006-2007 season will need to wear helmets. The vote was a 21-2 vote to approve by the MN Hockey board. This is all about safety and nothing more. MN Hockey is looking for MIAMA to endorse the idea not enforce the rule. Goal of USA Hockey is growth of the game. They would like to grow 15% per year. MIAMA feeling is that there is room to grow if associations are willing to skate at 7am or 10pm time slots. Also, look to move the Mite programs to start in September through November then use outdoor for December-mid February and back inside from mid-February through April.

SECRETARY/TREASURER: Dean M. reported that 135 arena members and 40 vendor members are renewed or have joined for 2006 to date. Balance as of February 7, 2006 is \$32,355.25. Dean will book rooms for the board for the Spring Workshop in New Ulm for May 1, 2006. Dean M. informed board of new arena; David Thaler Sports Arena in Mound/Westonka-Bruce Sohns is the Mgr. Bob F. moved and Garry H. seconded, report approved.

SPRING WORKSHOP: The Spring Workshop will be held in New Ulm, MN on May 2, 2006. Tom M., Bob F. and Russ R. presented the schedule of events. The theme is Energy. We will offer a trade show for the vendors and topics and presenters will offer valuable information for the times we are in. In the general membership meeting we need to present any by-law changes or important information or changes for them to vote on if we have any. What type of fee if any would we like charge for members and non-members? Members will be charged \$10.00 non-members \$25.00 and for the vendor \$75.00 for booth charge and you need to be a vendor member. Russ R. moved and seconded by Doug B., motion approved.

FALL CONFERENCE: Maurice S. and Doug B. presented a rough draft of the conference layout. Doug B. and Maurice S. suggested some topics and speakers to be offered. More information will be presented at the May board meeting. Topics and presenters should be confirmed by the May 1, 2006 meeting. Motion to keep all registration fees the same as 2005 Fall Conference, Doug B. moved and Mike B. seconded, motion carried. The Alan K. Payne Fall Conference grant information will be mailing out with all mailings in February, due back end of March.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE: No report

WEB PAGE COMMITTEE: Mike B. reported currently have 100,000 unique users since we switched providers. MN Inline hockey has added a banner ad. Mike B. presented information about having customers getting an e-mail about an hour that has opened up. Customer would need to enter their information to receive information. Cost of upgrade would be \$700-\$900. Open Hockey upgrade would cost \$100. Topics tabled.

MEMBER REGONITION: Information is on the annual survey, so Dean M. will compile the results as they come in.

MN HOCKEY: Helmet rule was voted on. Meetings will take place on re-districting starting this spring. Maurice S. moved and Mike B. seconded that we take no action of the MN Hockey Helmet rule. Motion carried.

ELECTIONS: North Metro, East Metro and South Metro districts are up for election. Eric Hedlund and Travis Larsen may be interested in the East Metro position. Scott Fredrickson is interested in the North Metro.

RETIREES/ALUMNI: No Report

OLD BUSINESS:

NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING: Watson is not re-upping. We have room for one more advertisement.

ISI BOARD: Doug B. and Russ R. will be attending the ISI Conference in Boston. A motion airfare, one room shared and per diem for meals not covered. Dean M. moved and Pete C. seconded. May 30 –June 3, 2006.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR: Next newsletter will be out around April 15. August 15 will be after that, then late November. Add question on the survey if you would read newsletter online or would you rather have mailed directly.

NEW BUSINESS:

ANNUAL SURVEY: Mailed out in February and back by mid March. Should be in membership's hands by mid-April.

OFFICER POSITION OF SECRETARY: D. Topic was tabled.

WEBSITE BULLETIN BOARD: Based on Mike B. research MIAMA could be held liable for slander, etc... Burnsville's City attorney presented a recommendation that we not participate in any such activity, Ramsey County attorney's also stated the same. MIAMA has a real concern with this topic and will be getting more information to inform our membership of its stance on listing delinquent accounts on rinkfinder.com.

DISTRICT REPORTS:

CENTRAL: No report

SOUTH METRO: Auger meeting. 20 people showed up. Next meeting March 15-ish.

SOUTHERN: No report

NORTH METRO: January 10, went to Andover Community Center. 8 people attended with 3 vendors present. Tour of Andover Community Center, demo by BRR, AIM Electronics and Becker Arena Products.

WEST METRO: No report.

NORTHEAST: No report

EAST METRO: No report.

The next board meeting will be held at 4:00pm at the New Ulm Civic Center – New Ulm, MN on May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2006.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:13 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dean Mulso  
MIAMA Secretary/Treasurer/Administrative Assistant