

**Tri County Arena
Board Meeting
November 16, 2011**

Attendance:

Victoria Dessort
Gordon Eckrich
Guy Hegg – Winnebago County
Susan Locke – Winnebago County
Mike Jovanovich
Nancy Hacker – General Manager – Tri County Arena
John Schaidler
Ted Galloway
Janet Coons

Call to Order – 6:01 pm by Gordy Eckrich.

Executive Session – Guy Hegg motioned to go into executive session and Ted Galloway seconded it. Ted Galloway motioned to exit out of the executive session and go into open session, John Schaidler seconded it.

Board Business – Ted Galloway made a motion to approve the exact motion made in executive session, Susan Locke seconded the motion, and Guy Hegg abstained.

John Schaidler made a motion for Nancy to get surveys of other arenas in the state looking at salaries, staffing, fringe benefits, user numbers, subsidized, etc. Ted Galloway seconded the motion.

Review of Minutes - Guy Hegg made a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Ted Galloway seconded the motion.

Treasurer Report – Through September income was budgeted at \$4700 actual received was \$7500. The difference is due to Figure Skating paid a month earlier than budgeted. Operating loss was budgeted at (\$38,000) and actual was (\$33,000). A couple items to note, maintenance has been budgeted at \$2,800 and nothing had been spent thru September. Management wages were up - \$4,368 actual amount spent, \$3,167 was what was budgeted. The reason for the difference is Nancy started earlier in August than was originally budgeted for.

Ted Galloway made a motion to approve the budget and Guy Hegg seconded.

Manager's Report – In October, \$6,000 spent on repairs/cleaning to tubes in chiller bundle. This was not budgeted for in October, but we should be okay in the budget as long as we don't have any unexpected major repairs.

Dehumidification system went down – Nancy had to have the fuses replaced. She mentioned that we should probably start saving money to replace in a few years.

UW Fox Valley chose the Tri County Arena out of 3 nonprofits to have our website re-done by three UW Fox Valley Students as their project for class. She said it is looking really good and should be done by December 1. The best news is the website will be found under Tricountyarena.com.

91.9 – The Avenue gave us free advertising right before Christmas based on a grant Nancy had applied for which gives 2 weeks of free advertising.

Mrs. Clause will be at the arena 12-10-2011.

Numbers are up for Learn to Skate.

Parking lot – Nancy, Gordy and Dan Goggin met with the counties, Winnebago was offering to pay for the asphalt if Outagamie would provide the labor. Outagamie did not want to help out with the parking lot. Gordy is still trying to continue discussions.

Approximately 1 hour of prime time ice not being used consistently on Tuesday and Thursday nights (9-10 pm).

Club Reports

Fox Valley Hockey – No representative at the meeting

Fox Valley Figure Skating – January 14-15, 2012 is the figure skating ice competition. They have also started a high school team which consists of 6 girls. Team includes 1 skater from Hortonville, 2 from Neenah, and 3 from the Appleton Schools. The team name is Fox Valley High School. January is National Skating Month

Nancy mentioned that Hockey has a couple tournaments coming up and that Fox Valley Youth Hockey has sold two signs to Scheels. Nancy has switched from Pepsi to Coke and has received 2 new energy efficient soda machines from Coke and the pricing was better. She will be selling the Pepsi and Mountain Dew signs from the sides of the score board. Nancy will call around to see what those types of signs are selling for.

Next meeting will be February 8, 2012.