

Western Wisconsin Stars
Red Line Club Meeting
Meeting: September 9th, 2026
7:00 p.m.
In mezzanine at Somerset Arena

Red Line Club Board of Directors Attendance:

ROLE	MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES
Treasurers :	Anders Johnson
Events Coordinator:	Cassie Johnson
Communications:	Cassie Johnson with assistance.

Board Meeting Attendance:

Cassie Johnson - X
Anders Johnson - X
Bill Julson - X
Angela Julson - A
Dani Olinski - X
Kyle Olinski - X
Coach Chris Lepper - X
Coach Tim Duggan - X

Guest Members (non-voting):-

Izzy Johnson - A
Chloe Julson - A
Annika Olinski - A

- Call to order: 7:07 p.m.
- Changes To/Approval of Agenda:
 - a. 1st - Bill
 - b. 2nd - Dani
- Approval of prior meeting minutes:
 - 1st - Kyle
 - 2nd - Dani
- Main Topics:
 - a. Red Line Account:
 - i. Current account balance: \$45,491.34
 - 1. Note: This amount is a little skewed do to the money for salt all being deposited. The exact amount of profit will come after the salt has been paid for on October 2nd.
 - 2. Not sure if this amount includes the payment yesterday to Tough Jersey.

- b. Events: Need to look at the calendar to schedule dinners to see if we need to book the American Legion or mezzanine at the rink.
 - i. Boys generally do Wednesday's
 - ii. Cassie is going to look at the practice schedule and then see about the legion. We want to do them on nights where both varsity and JV practice together so that it is a full team event when we have them.
- c. Fundraising:
 - i. Corn: Total for corn sales was: \$11,688.00
 - ii. Water Softener Salt: Sales are going ok. Total bags sold as of today is 202. Salt will be picked up by the Jaworski family on Friday, October 2nd. Delivery will begin on October 3rd at 9:00 a.m. from the Flandrick Farm large shed. Same as last year. Last day to order salt is September 27th. Right now that would be a profit of \$547.42 for the team if sales closed today.
 - iii. Bingo at Dalles House - September 19th, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
 - 1. We need to have people take charge of putting together three to four baskets or hockey items.
 - 2. We will need 7 volunteers - Coach will send out an email on that on Thursday.
 - 3. Volunteers should be there at 4:00
 - 4. Coach will bring uniforms for those players that are volunteering.
 - 5. Abby Dalzell is going to send out something to try to get baskets made by grade level.
 - a. Dalles House already has 4 tickets to a Wild preseason game
 - b. Also, a White Claw Snowboard
 - c. Baskets should be dropped off on Friday, the night before the bingo event.
 - 6. Abby Dalzell will put the flier up on the Somerset Hockey Website and Cassie will put it on the team Facebook site.
 - iv. Dalles House has put two items on their menu. When someone orders that item a specific amount will be donated to the Western Wisconsin Stars.
 - 1. Face Off Fusilli Chicken Parmesan - \$36.99 with \$8 going to the Stars.
 - 2. Seeing Stars Dirty Soda - \$6.00 with \$2.00 going to the Stars.
 - 3. These will all start the night of the Bingo at Dalles House on September 19th.
 - 4. Funds raised through people ordering either the meal or drink will run from Sept. 19th through the last game of the season vs. Superior.

- v. Gertens: Jen Dornseif - Jen said the store will open on September 21st and run through October 26th. Pick up will be on November 17th at the rink.
- vi. Somerset Auto Club Ditch Clean Up: Takes about an hour to hour and a half. Check for \$250 is given to the Red Line Club that day. Talked with Steve and he thinks the ditch clean up will be Oct. 10th.
- vii. Osceola Lions Club Meat Raffle. TBD - Letter requesting donation was sent on 8/20/26.
- viii. Busted Knuckle: October 30th - No volunteers needed, we will receive a check after that night. Estimated is a \$300 check.
 - 1. We have also been offered options of having a 50/50 raffle and a meat raffle at the Busted Knuckle. That was tabled as we currently have a lot going on right now and school have homecoming coming up the next couple Friday nights.
- ix. Somerset American Legion: Have not sent them a letter yet.
- x. Volunteer at Edgy Eats on Saturday, September 12th.
 - 1. Edgy Eats is doing a back to school night and looking for volunteers from the sports teams. Coach will send out another email asking for volunteers on Saturday. Coach will get jerseys for those players that volunteer to wear to help promote the team.

d. Hotel for Milwaukee Trip: Country Inn and Suites in Brown Deer is booked (414-355-7500). 14 total team rooms. The rate we are paying is \$129 per room. A block of 15 double bed rooms has also been arranged for families that want to attend. Those parents that will be traveling to Milwaukee will need to reserve a room in this block by December 29th.

We will discuss meal plan and other things related to the trip as we get closer to the date.

e. Locker Name Plates: Ordered through My Team Identity in Woodbury. We have them and the name plate holders.

f. Cahill Picture Prices:

Team Large Banners (4) - To hang at Somerset, New Richmond, Amery and River Valley - Cost will be \$900

Senior Banners (10) - \$50 each - \$500 total

Posters (250) - Each player receives 3, each sponsor receives 3 and we keep 100 for the youth night. Total cost would \$1250.00 - They are \$5 each.

Thank you cards (50) with team picture on front. 5x7 folded cards would be \$136.

Total amount to Cahill would be \$2786.00

With Dalles House, Apostle Septic, and Utecht advertising for free on the poster, we would need 7 to 8 other sponsors to cover the costs. We have these ones committed: Schmit Paving, A and G Auto, All Breed Grooming, Pizza Planet, CMG and a roofing company. That is 6 sponsors at \$375 for a total of \$2250. Leaving us \$536 short of covering the cost of the Banners/Posters/Senior Banners and thank you cards. If we find 2 more, we will have it all completely covered. The question is, do we want more sponsors as that will start to cover a lot of space on the poster and the Red Line Club cover the remaining amount or do we find 2 more

sponsors? VOTE: Red Line Club voted to cover the remaining costs as more advertisers might clutter up the poster.

g. Wisconsin Raffle Licenses: Has been paid for.

h. Team Bags: We have some bags that the zippers are broken. Talking with Tough Jersey, the current bags we have were not ordered through them. We either have the option of ordering from Tough Jersey or having a seamstress fix the bags we have. Here is what the cost would be from Tough Jersey:

Canvas player bag 36 x 18 x 18 including logo each side and number each end \$90.00 per bag

Canvas goalie bag 40 x 18 x 18 including logo each side and number each end \$100.00 per bag

VOTE: The Red Line Club voted to replace those that are broken getting the 40x18x18 bags.

i. Purchase of new tents for those that were damaged due to winds. We lost 4 tents in the corn sales process. The Intihar's lost two and said that there was no need to replace. Coach Lepper lost one and there is no need to replace. The Olson's lost one and I have not contacted them about a replacement yet. If someone would like it replaced, we would like to have a vote tonight to approve that. The next Red Line Club should look at purchasing tents for the sole purpose of corn sales.

VOTE: Yes to replacing tents if families who lost tents would like us to.

Also, We brought up that the next Red Line Club should be looking at purchasing its own tents and larger signage for corn sales.

j. Clothing - Coach Lepper sent the request to view the store ahead of time with the items the players wanted added to get prices. Strauss has been contacted over a month ago and has not sent that store with costs to him yet for others to see. Strauss did get back to Coach Lepper on Thursday morning. Coach will contact them and see if we can get the prices ahead of time.

k. Captains Practices: Cassie will send out an email to remind players of the upcoming captains practices.

l. St. Croix Valley Outreach has reached out to Cassie about the team doing a coat drive. Captains will be talked to about heading this up and Cassie is going to check with Dan about putting a donation box at the rink. This would run in October.

m. Ideas of reaching out to former players to donate equipment for those girls that are big enough and might be able to use it during the season.

Additional Items (Please add below)

a. Reminder that meeting notes are posted on our website within 3 days following the meeting.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be a closed meeting for only Red Line Club members. At that meeting we will be looking at Red Line Club fees for the season.

Next Meeting Date: Set for mid October. Date has not been set.

Motion to End Meeting:

1st - Anders

2nd - Bill

Meeting Adjourned: 8:23 p.m.