

Ice Wolves Meeting of the Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Monday, 09-Mar-2026

6:00 PM @ Ice Wolves Ice Arena, Dodgeville, WI 53533

Call to Order – 18:06

Roll Call/Secretary Report – Rachel Lee

- Board Members in Attendance: Kyle, Jon, Rachel, Tricia, Ryan, Abbi, Amanda, Chris, Stephanie, AmyBeth, Mitch,* Kaelyn. Via Zoom: Laura. Absent: Shannon,* Kathryn*
 - * denotes board members whose attendance was not required at March meeting
- Motion to approve the agenda. Motioned by Tricia, seconded by Abbi. All in favor, approved.
- Motion to approve Feb 2026 Board Meeting Minutes. Motioned by Abbi, seconded by Tricia. All in favor, approved.
- Annual Meeting food budget and menu choices
 - Reviewed last year's annual banquet spending and attendance and chose menu selections for this year's banquet (pulled pork, shredded beef, potato salad and potato chips). Cake will be purchased from Miller's, as they sponsor us.

Non-Board/Association member Comments (please limit comments to no longer than 2 minutes).

Concern was raised, on behalf of a group of people, about voting at the annual board meeting, and the person wants to know if voting can be done privately via paper ballot rather than verbally. At present, no submissions for consideration of an at-large position have been presented, therefore all votes would be unanimous. Kyle will share the meaning of an at-large position before the voting begins.

President's Report – Kyle Levetzow

- Report on recent Coaches Meeting discussions
 - Expected team sizes, particular discussion shared at Squirt level regarding number of players expected (25 players), boy/girl mix and potential impact to She Wolves team of rostering two teams. PeeWees likely to have one team. Bantam, 17 total players with 3 goalies, unless any player movement we will have one team with three lines. Kyle reached out to Monroe to begin communication of Monroe co-oping with us. Midgets: enough for a team, including a goalie. Kyle discussed with Verona to let them know we have availability for players to join us if they have additional players.
 - General discussion on possible coaching positions.
 - Culture – has not been the greatest this year; surveys and feedback have limited reach. The culture of our association starts with coaches, parents and the board, through actions at the rink. Accountability goes a long way – making sure players are acting appropriately during practices, spectators are behaving appropriately during games, etc.
 - Player gifts at annual banquet – during the meeting, it was agreed the coaches will give gifts to PeeWee and below; we should revisit this in future seasons, as it should be the coaches' preference as to what they want to do for their players. Strong consideration was given to give gifts at the last practice or during an end of season pizza party coaches often organize.
 - Need to update website on spring and summer hockey options; several people have reached out to Kyle with feedback stating the link do not work and are also asking for additional options. Mitch and Kyle to work together on this.
- Met with Keller Buildings on March 5, possible spending request
 - Kyle hosted a discussion and evaluation of our facility with Keller, reviewing all areas of concern based on discussion with the City, to make the building present better overall for all uses of the space, including use outside of hockey.
 - Keller will provide ideas on budgeting and remodeling and will meet with Kyle again in a month to share 3D drawings of interior and exterior.

- The purpose of the meeting is to provide a vision on the cost and an image of what that creates.
- End of season discussion
 - Usual kind of year with drama at all age levels. Large teams create difficult situations for coaches with regard to managing the players and facilitating skills improvement.
 - All tournaments we hosted were full and successful financially. Open skates were successful despite lower attendance.
 - Social marketing strategy – would like to review our expectations for next season. It is not feasible to expect Marketing to provide social media shout-out posts for all teams on a regular basis.

Vice President's Report – Jonathan Olday

- No topics

Financial Report – Tricia Ley

- Tricia made changes to the financial spreadsheet for tournament financials, separating Tournament Hosting to income generated during our tournaments vs tournament entry fees we received from teams. Note: Concessions are not included in Tournament Hosting.
- Registration is up. Next month the financial sheet will be adjusted to separate out registration fees from Big Kahuna raffle monies.
- Income came in as budgeted with the exception of rented ice.
- Expenses: education is up more than we expected because we added Power Skate after setting the budget.
- Alliant Energy was paid twice in Feb inadvertently. The company credited us the cost to be used in Mar/Apr; overall utilities were down this year
- Motion to approve Feb 2026 financials. Motioned by Abbi, seconded by Ryan. All in favor, approved.

Registrar – Abbi Trainor

- Five people owe money for registration, some significant amounts; seven people need to submit money for Big Kahuna raffle tickets. Tricia and Abbi will work to reach out to people directly, possibly by phone.

Director of Hockey – Ryan Currie

- No topics

Cultural Liaison – Kaelyn Martin

- Culture Survey 2026 update
 - 23 responses so far, which is more than we had at this time last year.
 - Kaelyn would like us to consider the feasibility of having an in-house hockey league and a traveling league and discuss it in the future. An idea was shared for us to put feelers out to the communities to gauge interest for families that may like to play 'for fun' at home ice and not need to travel and be less competitive.
- Looking for player survey feedback from coaches and board members.
 - Coaches/parents that were involved in passing them out agreed we should continue to do them.
 - General discussion recommended not doing them with a parent present/guiding the younger players so as to not bias the responses. The purpose is to learn the opinion of the *player*.
 - Kaelyn did reach out to coaches to gauge their input, too.
- Check-in on decision for end of year player gifts/banquet acknowledgements.
 - Discussed above via President summary from coaches meeting.

Equipment Manager – Amanda Aide

- Old player jerseys – what to do with them, give away at banquet, other ideas. Discussed options and will keep them for now and potentially use to make a blanket, auction/raffle off at events, etc.
- Players needing to still pay for summer hockey/return equipment: 35

Rink Manager – Chris Rusch

- Rink tear down began tonight with removal of the visiting locker rooms. Next should be bleachers, penalty boxes, remove mats from the rink and concessions, which allow removal of equipment, too.
- Website is updated with rink tear down dates, looking for a crew Sat to get the glass down.
- End of season chiller maintenance, possible spending request.
 - Chiller maintenance will happen late this week and early next; estimated work is not to exceed \$8,000 for leak check and maintenance.
- Tear down planning, move out date must happen by 4/13.
- A request was made to Chris to send an email via Sports Engine when major move out help is needed, as this adds visibility if people are not actively seeking the opportunity to support.

Concessions Manager – AmyBeth Levetzow

- Peewee tournament recap: \$5,920 gross; net profits to be calculated
- Concessions recap
 - Open Skates were lower in attendance this season. Social media ICC Facebook page submissions occurred three times this season and each of those lead to a higher turnout.
 - Kathryn and AmyBeth met to review Marketing responsibilities, what works well and needs to be improved for next season, etc, as the responsibilities and time commitment are ever-increasing.
- AmyBeth continues to gather feedback on use of Dibs. Rink cleaning needs to be improved in next season, particularly for bathroom cleaning.
- Proposes removing the Open Skate lead, to discuss at the next meeting.
- Work Hours – a returning player registered late in the season and wanted to know if they could have a decrease in number of out of season work hours needed. Multiple opportunities for out of season hours during rink setup occurred during the season (for example, removal of old visitor locker rooms and installation of new locker rooms, and as a result, re-laying of the rink mats). We do not want to set a precedent by allowing people to register late to be assigned fewer hours, therefore the full amount of out of season work hours is required.

Next Meeting – March 29, 2026, following the Annual Banquet

Adjourn – Motioned by Ryan, seconded by Abbi. All in favor, approved.

Adjourned – 19:17