

Escanaba Area Junior Hockey Association
Regular Monthly Meeting
August 13, 2025
HIT Concession Area

- I. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order by President Nick Blankenheim at 6:01 pm.
- II. Roll Call
 - a. Board Members –
 - i. Present: Nick Blankenheim, Andy Wilson, David Spilling, Holly Seidenstucker, Korinne Lamoreaux, Amanada Knuth, Erin Abb, Caley Corbett, Josh Lancour and Jordy Maloney.
 - ii. Not Present: Matt Hughes
 - b. General Membership – Mike Lasecki, Melissa Blume, Hollie Arts, Joe Knuth, Jennifer Blickham, Courtney Bowden, Jake Bowden, Joel Clishe, Beth Berube, Ron Tuljus, Tiger Marcott, Emily Marcott and Ashley Winkle.
- III. Approval of the Agenda – Motion made by Amanda Knuth to approve the agenda, seconded by Korinne Lamoreaux. Motion carried.
- IV. Board Reports
 - a. Secretary’s Report – Minutes from the July 16th meeting resented as written. Motion made by Andy Wilson to approve the Secretary’s Report. Motion supported by Korinne Lamoreaux. Motion carried.
 - b. Treasurer’s Report – David Spilling presented the financials. Motion made to accept the Treasurer’s Report by Holly Seidenstucker. Motion supported by Korinne Lamoreaux. Motion carried.
 - c. Division Director's Report
 - i. IP (Arts) – Nothing new to report.
 - ii. Mites (Blickham) – Nothing new to report.
 - iii. Squirts (Lanaville) – Scholarship request.
 - iv. PeeWees (Lasecki) – Nothing new to report.
 - v. Bantams (Lasecki) – Nothing new to report.
 - d. Standing Committee Reports
 - i. Complex (Fisher) – requested same ice time as last year. Ice fees went up to \$190/ hour. Compressors will be turned on September 2nd with opening day planning to be September 15th.
 - ii. Sponsors (Vertz) – Several sponsors have confirmed with a few already paid. Look into open skate sponsors for theme nights.
 - iii. Coaches (Hughes) – Need coach suggestions for all levels. Per USA Hockey e-learning site 6U/8U coaches need specific 6U/8U module, please notify coaches. Need to set a date for coaches meeting.
 - iv. EAJHA Growth Coordinator (Abb) – Try Hockey for Free date October 4th arrive at 11 with ice time from 11:30-1:30. Andy Wilson motioned to approve

the date and time, and Holly Seidenstucker seconded. Motion carried. Jen Blickham will contact Cooper Office for flyers.

- v. Scheduling (Maloney) – Uploading the weekly schedule and some AA games.
 - vi. Concession (Corbett) – Make sure people know to use the sign in binder to record hours. Will report monthly to David any families that were a no show for concessions.
 - vii. Equipment (Lamoreaux) – New pucks are in the office. Will check to see if we need any new blue pucks. Waiting for the labels for the equipment we purchased in memory of Bill Flippins. Looking for Try Hockey for Free volunteers to help hand out equipment and teach families how to put it on.
 - viii. Fundraising (Vertz) – Nothing new to report.
 - ix. Referees (Johnson) – Nothing new to report.
 - x. Sportsmanship & Behavior (Lancour) – Make sure the teams have managers and locker room monitors.
 - xi. Safe Sport (Hughes) – Nothing new to report.
 - xii. Registration (Knuth) – Motion by Andy Wilson to keep registration prices the same as last year, supported by David Spilling. Motion carried. Will open registration right away.
 - xiii. Tournaments (Blume) – Set a budget for tournaments this year. In the Sticks will be the last weekend in January.
- e. CUP Report – Nothing new to report.
 - f. NIHL Report – Nothing new to report.

V. Correspondence

- a. Email – Mite's jerseys and Next Level Agreement
- b. Mail – Binks check, scholarship application and raffle license.

VI. Action Items Follow Up

- a. Request reduced ice time for Try Hockey for Free, Next Level Hockey Clinic, In the Sticks Tournament and Goalie Training. – Yes.
- b. Jen – thank you for the Bill Flippins Memorial donations – Done.
- c. Matt – coaching committee set up to talk about practice plans for next season
- d. Korinne – after equipment is purchased send a picture to Jen and she will mail another thank you to Bill Flippins wife. Waiting for labels.
- e. David – invoice all families that did not complete their DIBS hours and penalty for no shows. Done- Nick will call families. Families called and waiting on a few payments.
- f. Amanada – adding verbiage to registration to have new members email a copy of their birth certificate. Done.
- g. Post for referees. Done.
- h. State Champ Banner updates. Talking with Andy Johnson to find options. Jeanie said we would have a lift available mid-season.

- i. David
 - i. Cassie Lanaville and Trevor Sholten need \$100 checks for MAHA Select – waiting for Trevor to pick up. Cassie has hers.
 - ii. Check to Johnston printing for overdue invoice. Mailed.
 - iii. Have we invoiced everyone with incomplete DIBS hours and no shows. How many are still outstanding. Yes.
 - iv. Pay Next Level base price. Yes.
 - v. Did we invoice sponsors? Yes.
 - vi. Did we pay the scholarship request? Yes.
 - j. The square credit card scanner needs to be replaced; the physical card scanner hardware is no longer going to be supported. Nick purchased a new square card reader and will purchase a second one.
 - k. Order pucks for new season- Korinne will order. Done. Will look into if we need blue pucks.
 - l. Do we want to fundraise at sports card event in September? We will pass this year.
 - m. PeeWee practice changing to two hours? No.
- VII. Old Business
- a. Grants – On hold
 - b. Official Fees – review amounts we pay to see if they are competitive with the area. Overtime pay if having to cover more than 2 games per day. Reimbursement of USA Hockey Fee if they ref a certain number of games. Post on Facebook about needing referees with the link to USA Hockey with the details. Andy talking with other associations.
 - c. Player alignments
 - i. Mite move-up to Squirt – Mason Hayes, Sawyer Leckson, Colt Arts and Patrick Wils– tabled until we get the numbers for next year.
 - ii. Several players emailed lately waiting to join our association.
 - 1. Ben Winkle at 10U – tabled until we get the numbers in.
 - 2. Kimber and Lacy for 12U, also would have a father willing to coach. Tabled until we get our numbers in.
 - 3. Davin at 14U – yes, we need more players at this level.
 - d. CUP Report – The following are key points taken from the MAHA District 8 Meeting
 - i. Board members to have their safe sport and background checks done and USA Hockey registration number to Amanada by August Meeting. Waiting on results from two background checks.
 - ii. Get binders for the teams to make the team books more uniform. We have the binders waiting for Kevin Yohe to say how they would like the binders laid out.
 - iii. If we are having a draft for teams, we need to notify the district and have a MAHA director there to monitor. Possibly end of September or beginning of October.

- e. Practice plans with multiple teams –
 - i. Coaching committee to be set up to determine rules for multi teams practicing at the same time. A portion of the practice should be full ice.
- f. Update bank signors at UP State Bank – Done.

VIII. New Business

- a. Registration is ready to open for Next Level; we need to set a price. Holly Seidenstucker motioned to keep the same as last year, \$200 in association and \$220 for out of association (plus credit card fee). Andy Wilson seconded. Motion carried.
 - i. Nick submitted a Special Event Authorization thru USA Hockey. We will need a list of coaches that will be present at the event.
 - ii. We will also need a separate locker room for the Next Level Coaches.
 - iii. We will provide lunch for them on Saturday.
 - iv. Do we need to submit the event with MAHA? Event requested from MAHA.
- b. Registration is ready; however, the complex might be increasing ice fees.
 - i. Registration fees – voted earlier.
 - ii. DIBS hours – will reevaluate in October.
- c. Extra ice time for teams
 - i. David Spilling motioned for the following extra ice times. 4 hours for the Mites division, 5 hours for 8U Plus and 2 hours per team for 10U and higher. Jordy Maloney seconded. Motion carried.
- d. Mites practice pinnies – Andy Wilson motioned to purchase the Mites 4 sets of practice pinnies, supported by Korinne Lamoreaux. Motion carried.
- e. Raffle tickets – David Spilling motioned to change the winnings to six \$50 winners and two \$100 winners, eliminating all previous \$25 winners. Motion supported by Andy Wilson. Motion carried.
- f. PeeWee – would like the possibility of having an A team. We need more coaches for the B team. Erin will post on Facebook.
- g. Executive board met after the meeting and approved one scholarship.

IX. Public Comments/Concerns of the General Membership – None.

X. Action Items –

- a. Erin – post Try Hockey for Free date. Also post looking for coaches at 12U level. When both registrations are opened, please post.
- b. Andy/Korinne – look at the blue pucks to see if we need more. Order Mite pinnies. Banner update.
- c. Nick – tournament request to MAHA and set budget for tournament. Talk to Kevin Yohe on how he wants the team binders set up.
- d. Holly – change pricing on raffle tickets.
- e. Amanada – open registration for the season and for Next Level Camp.
- f. Jen – flyers for Try Hockey for Free

- g. David – send new invoice to Enbridge. Send an email to the family that only paid for their first half of DIBS.
 - h. Matt Huges – set a date for a coaches meeting.
 - i. Within the week respond to Josh and Joel about the 12U A team.
- XI. Next Meeting – September 10, 2025, at 6:00pm in the HIT Concessions Area
- XII. Adjourn – The meeting was motioned to adjourn by David Spilling and supported by Caley Corbett. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 7:48.