



## River Falls Youth Hockey Association

### Meeting Minutes

October 15, 6:00pm to 7:30 pm

Wildcat Center



#### Attendance

- **Present** - Danny Schnacky, Jody Christensen, Heidi Van Nurden, John Robinson, Brigid Burhans, Pat Gundersen, Caryn Weingartner, Megan Wieser, Vanessa Withers, Kyle Wright.
- **Absent** - Megan Ross, Ben Seiser.

**Call to order** - Danny Schnacky. 6pm

#### Approve Consent Agenda - Last Meeting Minutes & Current Agenda

- Jody made a motion to approve the consent agenda. John seconded. All in favor. MC.

#### Guest(s) Present & Comments

- Kyle McConaughy, Monica Wright, Rachel Adams, Mike Adams, Kyle Hofmeister, Kirsten Hofmeister, Nick Wood, Andrea Wood, Nick Wallin, Melanie McPherson, Lee McPherson, Lauren Reichl; all with comments and concerns regarding 8U to 10U Youth move-up.

#### President's Report – Danny Schnacky

- Danny updated on several items relating to PDK support requests. 4 meetings auto open feature changes. Interstate player releases grandfathered. Some to Hudson DSD. banners, painting, cleaning. Cottage grove release request rejected - skater now playing Blackcats.
- Update on tryouts and process with MAP/FHIT
- Danny outlined the timeline and brought the board up to speed on all details surrounding the 8U to 10U move-up items. Pat added addition detail regarding CPDC involvement. Several interruptions and a subsequent request for order.
- Danny appraised board of NR skater moving from mite to 10U girls with a Baldwin address; full Blackcat roster; cannot release to a co-op (NR/Somerset). Item will be addressed further in the coming days.

#### Treasurer's Report – Heidi Van Nurden

- Heidi provided an overview of our current financial position and relevant updates regarding recent expenditures. Current cash on hand looks good but expecting some larger expenses; wash of HS rental to Hunt Arena rental bill etc. Referenced some upcoming repairs to refrigeration system. Elimination of raffle fundraiser in relationship to increased registration costs; commentary regarding ramp up of other fundraising/matching efforts.
- Heidi notified the board that Steve Pfeifer has been added to the finance committee.
- Heidi updated on several family registrations that have amounts owed in arrears. Invoiced with no response.

#### Old Business.

- Off-Ice Operations
  - Keeping Ice longer update
    - Caryn provided an update on the progress of the committee. This included a breakeven analysis regarding ice rental to support the rink manager salary. Proposed salary range for rink manager. Suggestions regarding other revenue to support. Proposed next steps relating to extending the use of the facility year-round including a member survey. Discussion amongst the board.

- Survey discussion and vote
  - Karen made a motion that the association proceed with the plan to keep year-round ice as presented. Pat seconded. All in favor. MC
- On-Ice Operations
  - 8U to 10U move-ups - see President's report.

**New Business**

- Financial Operations
  - Discuss rink manager cost analysis
  - Vote regarding hiring a rink manager
    - Pat made a motion we hire a rink manager as presented. Jody seconded. All in favor. MC.

**Board Comments; Q&A on submitted monthly Operations Committee Reports**

- See reports below.
- Kyle added some updates regarding recent and upcoming building maintenance items.

**Comments, Announcements, Other Business**

- None

**Adjourn**

- Danny made a motion to adjourn the meeting. John seconded. MC. Meeting adjourned.

**Confirm next meeting time**

- Next board meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 12th, 2025 at 6pm at Wildcat Center.

**Committee Reports**

- See below

October 2025	Monthly Update	New Business Agenda for Discussion or Decision
<b>On-Ice Operations</b>		
<b>Off-Ice Operations</b>	Tournaments: Channel the Flannel went great, looks of compliments. Most tournaments are full, no concerns there. Managers have been selected and I have meetings for Blackcats on Monday 10/13 and youth 10/14 scheduled.	
<b>Building Operations</b>		
<b>Member Recruitment &amp; Retention</b>		
<b>Fundraising &amp; External Relations</b>	Board photos updated online. Working to finalize Give Lively content for web and coordinate with Luther Hudson Chevrolet GMC for sponsorship. Wildcat apparel store now open - closes 10/28 - social & email promotions have been published. Blackcats store being developed.	
<b>Financial Operations</b>	Added Steve Pfeiffer to finance committee	Discusses rink manager cost analysis/approve salary