



# Great Falls Amateur Hockey Association Meeting Minutes



## Meeting Minutes

**Date:** 16 April 2026

**Time:** 6:33PM

**Location:** Great Falls Ice Plex, 4001 29<sup>th</sup> Street SW, Great Falls, MT 59404

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### 1. Call to Order

- By: Mike Pancich
- Time: 6:35 PM

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### 2. Executive Board / Voting Members Attendance

- **Board Members Present:**
  - President – Mike Pancich
  - Vice President – Mike Zook
  - Secretary – Corey Smith
- **Division Representatives Present:**
  - High School – Erik Stober / Jeff Winkler
  - 14U – Becky Kujava / Charlie Hibl
  - 12U – Neal Popichak / Meghan Haynes
  - 10U – Matt Baker
  - 6U / 8U – Sott Moodie
  - Girls Hockey – Becky Kujava
- **Board Members Absent:**
  - Treasurer – Jennifer Chambers
- **Division Representatives Absent:**
  - 6U / 8U – Katie Biggs
  - 10U – Scott Bambenek
  - House League - Amber Heck / Cody Lee
- **Guests/Observers:** Dwight Stevenson, Josh Dahl

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### 3. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

- Meeting Date: 10 March 2026
- Motion to Approve: Neal Popichak
- Second by: Charles Hibl
- Vote: Unanimous (Motion Approved)

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### 4. Approval of Treasurer Report

- Motion to Approve: Jeff Winkler
- Second by: Becky Kujava
- Vote: Unanimous (Motion Approved)

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### 5. Executive Board & Committee Member Reports

- President – Mike Pancich
- Great Falls Sports Foundations Ticket Sells
  - Provided update on Sports Banquet raffle basket coordination.
  - Expressed appreciation to all members who contributed and supported the event.





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- The following Executive Board and Division Representative positions will be up for election at the May 2026 Annual Meeting along with the Nominees to date:
  - President
    - Nominee(s) – Scott Moodie
  - Treasurer
  - 1 – High School Representative
    - Nominee(s) – Ryan Meyers, Dwight Stevenson
  - 1 – 14U Representative
    - Nominee(s) – Meghan Haynes
  - 1 – 12U Representative
  - 1 – 10U Representative
    - Nominee(s) – Joe Maroney
  - 1 – 6U/8U Representative
  - 2 – Girls Hockey Representatives
    - Nominee(s) – Becky Kujava
  - 1 – House League Representative
  - 1 – Tournament Director
- Board Elections will be held at the Annual Meeting
- Ballot Close-Out date for names to be nominated will be May 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Vice President – Mike Zook
  - Annual Ice Scheduling Meeting: Scheduled for April 27
  - Crossbar Platform: Near launch; board review to follow for layout and navigation
  - Coaching Applications:
    - Open: May 1
    - Close: June 15
- Treasurer – Jennifer Chambers
  - Coaches may submit reimbursement requests through Jennifer.
  - Still a number of Fundraising, Missing Sponsorships, and SportsEngine Invoices are still due to the board. Division Reps have been informed of who is still outstanding and to collect the fees that are due.
  - Under the Fundraising and SportsEngine missing fees, those people are not eligible to vote in the Annual Meeting and will not be eligible to register their kids for the upcoming season until all fees are collected.
  - Motion was made by Becky Kujava and seconded by Scott Moodie, to approve the GFAHA donation of \$500 to the Stubbs family for medical assistance; motion carried and was approved
  - Motion was made by Erik Stober and seconded by Jeff Winkler, to approve the GFAHA donation of \$500 to the Heck family for funeral/wake expenses for loss of family member and longtime supporter of our Ice Hockey Program; motion carried and was approved
  - Motion was made by Scott Moodie and seconded by Jeff Winkler, to approve the stipend payout for the Coach-in-Chief position; motion carried and was approved
- Secretary – Corey Smith
  - GFAHA Annual Meeting – 12 May 2026 @ 6:30PM





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- Division Representatives
  - High School – Erik Stober / Jeff Winkler
    - Nominating Dwight Stevenson for High School Rep
  - 14U – Becky Kujava / Charlie Hibl
    - No new updates reported.
  - 12U – Neal Popichak / Meghan Haynes
    - End-of-Year party next week
  - 10U – Matt Baker
    - Receipt turn-in for reimbursement
  - 6U / 8U – Scott Moodie
    - Proposed 6U – 10U Tuesday Skate Program
      - Motion was made by Scott Moodie and seconded by Becky Kujava, to approve the program for Tuesdays at a cost of \$40 per month and to schedule through Youth Hockey; motion carried and was approved
    - Learn-To-Skate
      - Motion was made by Scott Moodie and seconded by Becky Kujava, to approve the Learn-to-Skate for the following times, three (3) days in June and three (3) days in August; motion carried and was approved
  - House League – Cody Lee
    - No new updates reported.
  - 19U Girls Hockey – Becky Kujava
    - Montana Wolves went to the Quarterfinals with a great showing for the girls that have come together from all around Montana
    - MAHA Camp this past weekend, Erika and Lucy were selected to go to Northern Plains Hockey
- Committee Members:
  - Registrar – Sarah Carper
    - No new updates reported.
  - Equipment Manager – Ty Hoffman
    - No new updates reported.
  - Referee – Ken Speidel
    - Referee Recruitment
      - Positive outlook for referee numbers next season
      - Certification begins in June (online)
      - Minimum age: 8 years old
    - Head Official Vote: Ken Speidel will be assuming the roles for this upcoming year
  - Ice Foundation – Vacant
    - **Ice Plex Annual Meeting: May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30PM**
      - Ice Plex board is seeking candidates for President and Vice President positions.
      - Corey Smith was nominated for the role of President
        - Mike Pancich spoke on how important it is for our entire association to come to this meeting and vote for Corey. It is essential that we have the hockey community supporting Corey and his willingness to take on this role and having a hockey representative on the Ice Plex board would be a huge addition to hockey. With that being said, anyone that comes to the Ice Plex





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Annual Meeting will receive (1) one credited hour of DIBS per child for their presents.

- Motion was made by Scott Moodie and seconded by Erik Stober, to approve the (1) one hour credit of DIBS per child for the upcoming season for anyone that is present for the **Ice Plex Annual Meeting on May 11<sup>th</sup> at 5:30PM**; motion carried and was approved
- Web / PR – Amber Heck / Mike Zook
  - No new updates reported
- Concession – Jordan Keller
  - Excess inventory identified
  - Transition away from Morning Light Coffee due to cost
    - Exploring partnership with Karma Coffee
  - Motion was made by Corey Smith and seconded by Scott Moodie, to approve the donation to Prairie River Mountain the remainder of the drink inventory in the concessions; motion carried and was approved
  - Motion was made by Erik Stober and seconded by Neal Popichak, to approve the donation to Cameron Center, the remainder of the perishable food inventory in the concessions; motion carried and was approved
- Tournament Director – Vacant
  - No new updates reported.
- Goalie Development Coordinator – Amber Heck
  - No new updates reported.
- Ice Scheduler – Sarah Carper
  - No new updates reported.
- Coach-In-Chief – Matt Leaf
  - Presented recommendations on Policies and Procedures that will be discussed in the upcoming weeks.
- Safe Sport Coordinator – Charlie Hibl
  - No new updates reported.
- Discipline/Grievance – Scott Moodie
  - No new updates reported.

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### 6. Open Forum / Public Comment

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### 7. Next Meeting – ANNUAL MEETING

- Date: 12 May 2026
- Time: 6:30PM
- Location: Great Falls Ice Plex. 4001 29<sup>th</sup> Street SW, Great Falls, MT 59404

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### 8. Adjournment

- Motion by: Erik Stober
- Seconded by: Jeff Winkler
- Time: 8:25PM

