

**ACYHA Board Of Directors
Annual Membership Meeting Agenda
October 2023**

Meeting Type: Monthly Meeting
Date: October 9, 2023
Time: 6:30 pm
Location: NHIA Meeting Room 1

Attendees

Brian Thul - President -
Dustin Glad - Vice Chair -
Scott Allen - Treasurer -
Kevin Pote - D3 Rep. -
Kim Nau - Secretary -
Aaron Holscher - Boys Travel Director -
Aaron Zimmerman - Girls Travel Director -
James Tousignant - ACE -
Derrick Raymond - Ice Scheduler -
Libby Hankey/Julie Wahl - Sales/Fundraising -

Susie Melynchuk - Tournament Dir -
Matt Inciti - Concession Manager -
Jim Lewandoski - Mite Director -
Katie Mattox - Mite Program Director -
Drew Herron - Communications and Marketing -
Ryan Hegarty - Safe Sport -
Libby Johnson - At Large -
Tina Schochow Greazel - Volunteer Program Dir -
Ex

Additional Representatives

Matt Rappaport - WEB Admin -
Tracee DeNeui - Gambling Mgr - ex
Paul Swanson - Asst. ACE -
Kris Murphy - Eval Coordinator -
Erin Dungan/John Knutson - Equipment -
Jess Riley - Registrar -
Ryan King - HDC Chair -
Jessica Ledoux - Skate -
Michael Thompson - Asst. ACE - Ex
Lida Knoll - Graphic Design -
Lindsey Brekker - Fundraising Coordinator
Liz Tratnick - Ass't Treasurer
Michael Kautzman - Ass't Ice Sched

LEVEL COORDINATORS

Bantam - Anthony Pangarakis -
PeeWee - John Knutson
Squirt - Peter Houghtaling -
Goalie - Andrew Cooper -

18 Current voting members; 10 required for quorum

Topics:	Presenter(s):
6:32 pm	Call to Order Brian Thul Roll Call Kim Nau

Approval of September Meeting minutes: Aaron Z motion, Scott seconded

1. Gambling Director (Tracee)

Report pending

2. Chair (Brian)

Discipline update

The board has been updated on the situation and will be kept updated to any changes or if there's more information

Glass Wrap South Rink

Paul Swanson - thanks for working on this! Design is done. Mark ok'd - we pay for half, Elite pays other

half

Coach Manager Meeting Logistics/Responsibilities

Great parent meetings - thanks!

In-Season Expectations
Be on your best behavior!

3. Treasurer (Scott)

Current financial position is a gain of \$212,015.95; season is very early though. See Financial Packet for further details.

Scholarships approved: 6 for a total of \$5,850

4. Secretary (Kim)

Managers and head coaches meeting on 10/12. If you have anything to cover with them, or that you'd like us to cover, please let me know ASAP.

Old team photos

5. District 3 (Kevin P)

GameSheet codes are out

Very strict about rescheduling and fees. We need to let them know ASAP. Fee is \$250 if they have to reschedule later

Talk of a Metro League - squirt AA type teams - will be voted on by D3. Kevin recommends NO

6. Concessions (Matt Inciti)

All manager positions are filled! Awesome!

Yetis are in and for sale! 5 free cups of coffee with it and then \$1 after that

Nautical bowls are doing great - better than pizzas. We are not selling pizza any more as the oven broke.

September sales up over last year, October off to a great start

Pulled pork sandwiches will be added for tournaments, districts, Jamboree

Might want to upgrade fryers

7. Marketing/Communications (Drew)

10k pucks wrapped up - 23 reached 10k! 38 will get something - over 330k shots, more than double than last year

Swag ordered for that - hats, helmet stickers

8. Registrar (Jessica)

349 registered, getting coaches registered and credentials done

Might be adding a PeeWee and U10 - waivers coming in

9. ACE director (James)

Would like to motion to assign coaches to their teams for Bantam, U15, PeeWee and U12 Levels

James -motion made to approve head coaches and assistant coaches as slated - Aaron H seconded.
Motion passes

Hockey share expires in a few days - Scott will renew (practice planning software)

Will start coaches jacket order with All Star soon

10. Boys Travel Coordinator- (Aaron Holscher)

Bantam placements have taken place, teams have been formed (A, B1, and C), and coaches assigned. The Bantam C team does not have a full time goalie and players will be rotating through the position. There is a team goalie set already for players to use and in the near future the association will acquire more gear to fit players of different size. Andrew Cooper as also set up for a Attitude Goalie Coach to be with the C team as much as possible to help instruct players at the goalie position.

PeeWee camp has come to an end and placements started on 10/4 and will be ending on 10/8. Team placements will be finalized (A, B1, and C) on 10/8 and coaches assigned to teams the same evening.

Squirt camp is rolling. Player placements start on Nov. 5th. Still plan on having teams at the A, B1, B2, and 2 C levels.

Thank you so much to our evals crew to make this all work. Your hard work is greatly appreciated!

11. Girls Travel Director- (Aaron Zimmerman)

U15 & U12 completed camp and have begun team activities.

U10 Camp on going - We are sharing pads have kids are signing up for blocks of practices. Girls HS team goal is assisting with these new goalies.

Also, we were asked by the district to re-assess our U10 levels, and after doing so, we are remaining B1 & B2 for this year.

Girls Hockey Day Jan 6th

12. Mite Coordinator (Katie/Jim)

Mite Program has grown by 32 players since September. Recruitment efforts continue with weekly Social media and peach jar campaigns.

Try Hockey Events going great! 50+ skaters at last two events, with second one focused on girls. Special thanks to those who helped Saturday- it paid off!

Mite 3 parent meeting was held, team managers filled for 3 teams, will continue asking for 1 more. Thank you concessions for the coffee + donuts!!

Learn to Skate Clinic starts 15th for minis and u6 players.

Jerseys are being printed with sponsors/ names.

Initiated New Family Mentor program in partnership with MN Hockey and USA Hockey. We have a handful of families signed up for that!

Mite program is Participating in the Hat Trick growth Challenge to be recognized for our recruitment and retention efforts.

We have asked to be registered by D3 to be recognized by USA HOCKEY as a MN Model Association as well which can yield accreditation and monetary rewards.

A Family that goes to school in our district mentioned someone from Titans reaching out to them. What are their boundaries?

Titans asked them to spread the word about their association? Does anyone know someone from their association? Are they new? An association within Mpls - house league more than travel. Kids that are in our schools from their area can play for them or us

13. Tournaments (Susie)

Attended tournament coordinators meeting - not much has changed

Train parents on clock and ipads? No, she trains for the tournaments but not the whole association

14. Sales and Fundraising director (Libby/Julie)

Julie has dealt with All Star. Ordering link is live, but apparently isn't working. First window is 7th-16th.

Gertens fundraiser going well - first years and mini mites, mite 1 and U6 are exempt from the fundraiser if they want. \$12k raised so far!

Wild program sales night coming up - one Squirt team and U10

15. HDC Update (Ryan K)

Agenda:

1. Placements Update - bantam and peewee levels done

unhappy parents - reminder to address correct people so that appropriate information is getting relayed in a timely manner.

Placement Coordinators, then level coordinators, then board

Girls placement updates - Zimmerman

Nov. 5th-9th

Scrimmages to be set up with Spring Lake Pk/Centennial CoOp.

Nov. 6th will be goalie only evaluations

Girls U10's

goalies - only 1 "true" goalie and she is expressing she does not want to do it full time.

23 kids total to be placed onto B1 and B2 teams respectively

expected 11 go to B1 and 12 to go to B2; with players at each level to share pads in the goalie roles.

***D3 asking to reconsider team placements to include U10A and U10B2. - discussions with all appropriate parties have taken place and we are not adjusting plan from U10B1 and U10B2 teams in place

U15 Girls

team has lost one player, Kate Cook, who has decided to move up to play High School. All other players are remaining in place and the team will function as planned with 11 skaters and 1 goalie

2. Coaching Update - Tousi and Aaron Holscher

Coaches are assigned at all Bantam teams.

Coaches are being finalized at all PeeWee teams.

Head coaches have been notified to work to get their team managers in place ASAP, and to designate at least one staff member to working directly with each teams goalie(s). Andrew Cooper and the DHO will provide any necessary and appropriate materials and guidance for that individual

D3 Coaching Meeting to be held on Thursday, Oct. 12. James Tousignant and Paul Swanson to present the districts materials.

On-Ice help with Squirt fall camp has been outstanding. Please push to continue participation throughout the rest of camp.

3, DHO Update

Bantam Coaches page has already been set up on SportsEngine App and first communications from DHO have gone out to all coaches on that team. PeeWee page and team to be set soon and similar communication will go out to those coaches as well.

DHO will be meeting in next week to discuss early season movements and preparing for November squirt placements and district play.

4. Goalie Development - Jim Lewandowski

At the Mite level, stronger push and shift to mandatory rule for all players to participate in the goaltender role. This will build the future of our goaltender numbers throughout the association, but needs to have mandatory backing to make it work.

Committee approval for push to make mandatory in the future.

16. Equipment (Erin/Jon)

Nearly finished with travel jersey orders; high number of squirts/U10s this year has necessitated some scrambling as it relates to practice and eval jerseys; may need to order dedicated U10 eval jerseys

17. Ice Scheduler (Derrick)

Software issues, duplicate posts in Engine, working on getting that fixed. District games for upper levels coming out soon. Ice is cold.

18. Safe Sport Coordinator (Ryan)

So far, so good.

19. Volunteer Program Director (Tina)

DIBS are getting claimed quickly this season. However, we still have 9 Elite Tournament shifts left to fill for Oct 27-29 and Nov 3-5.

Returning families can work Excess Special Events hours to count toward their 25 hour total, but those excess hours cannot be in the Penalty Box. We need to reserve those shifts for mite and new squirt families. I've adjusted the Volunteer Page and will address this when I send out NH Classic shifts. I have reached out to two families to adjust their excess Elite tournament shifts.

I am waiting on PeeWee/Bantam/U15/U10 coaching staff and team managers lists for DIBS hour allocations for those roles. Mites should send their coaching list as well.

There is a lot of concern from families not feeling comfortable working Announcer/Scorekeeper and Timekeeper shifts. I plan on giving Mites and new Squirt families 2 days to claim NH Classic Penalty Box Shifts before allowing experienced Travel Families to claim shifts.

Could the Tournament committee hold a couple in-person Timekeeper and Scorekeeper trainings prior to NH Classic?

Response from Susie - The committee is willing to help at the New Hope Classic. That's why we have a tournament helper plus staff. As for training all teams that will not work. We do offer training one evening each for the Girls and Boys High School teams.

20. Skate Coordinator (Jessica)

Wants to get a date scheduled for the SKATE event so she can start promoting.

Meeting adjourned 7:59 pm Dustin - motion Scott - seconded