



WAUKESHA COUNTY YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

BOARD MEETING MINUTES - April 9TH, 2025.

Meeting Opened: 6:01pm

1. **INTRODUCTIONS:** Emily H, Zach K, TJ G - Mike C, Pat K, Eric S, BobbiJean - Missy S, Derrek T - John M, Kurt / Mike Hockey Directors, Tony D/Chris K via Phone Call
2. **MARCH MEETING MINUTES: REVIEW/APPROVE:** Eric/Pat Approved
3. **MARCH TREASURER REPORT UPDATES:** Need one change to monthly balance sheet. ill approve via email.
4. **MEMBERSHIP COMMENTS:**
 - a. TJ Gannon: Found a Stick fix contact in Oregon...Greg Gorman. <https://integralhockeymadison.com/>
5. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. **Welcomed New Board Members**
 - a. Mike Cloherty - 14u Level Director
 - b. Missy Sparber - VP Off-ice
 - c. John Mueller - 8u Level Director
 - d. Stewart Iverson - PDP Coordinator
 - B. **Open Coordinator Positions**
 - a. Volunteer Coordinator
 - b. Recruitment Coordinator
 - c. Social Media Coordinator
 - d. (1) equipment coordinator: May return.
 - e. Fundraising Coordinator *shadowing opportunity*
 - C. **BY-LAW Updates - None noted...many P&P updates will be discussed during the May/June meetings and voted on during the July meeting...Get your inputs in ASAP!**
6. **UPDATES**
 - A. **PRESIDENT:**
 - a. Ice utilization will be discussed at the annual meeting in May
 - i. Dockhounds ODR ice update - Current plan is 1st Dibs on ice time, 2 pods for warming room/locker rooms, with a zamboni. They will provide ref rooms, restrooms, and a divider in the pods to create a girls locker room.
 - ii. They benefit by us buying ice time and also selling concessions. We benefit because we get more ice time. Chris Kraft will provide a breakdown of exactly how much ice time we need to be considered effective as an organization. This will inform our objective for seeking new sheets.
 - b. Region 5 president's only meeting was called. They received a \$100k donation to region 5 and were looking for possible uses which included free goalie sessions/gear/equipment. If anyone has more ideas, please email the secretary.
 - c. WAHA meeting 1st weekend of August will be attended by Emily and any of the other board members. Its an overnight.
 - d. The board is considering giving a 50% discount for goalies that are in the net for 50% of the seasons or more to encourage goalie development.
 - e. The board will have a separate meeting to compile end of season surveys and have that info out as desired by June.

- B. **VP ON ICE:** Sunday skates are great...good attendance, Region 5 peewee minors made it to Kohlman Cup semi-finals, peewee majors finished last, peewee major girls won, peewee minor girls were runner up! Amazing showing from region 5 and WCYHA!
- C. **VP OFF ICE:**
- a. Season patches due 4/15 to WAHA...waiting on 10UA, 12U all, 14UA. Mailing all aged out patches, presenting the rest at Warhawk Day.
 - b. Bobbjean and Missy sharing email responsibility until next month.
 - c. VP Off-ice will develop a better process for rostering...it needs to be alphabetical and list head coach/other coaches otherwise rostering on USA Hockey takes an eternity. Managers/Coaches, please follow the template and get it in on time.
- D. **TREASURER:**
- a. Should we pause the apple music subscription?
 - b. He will change bank signatures to include Missy and Emily
 - c. 25-26 Budget is complete and we'll refine until Annual meeting where we will complete and present at the June Board Meeting.
 - d. He will book all of next year's meeting rooms before June
 - e. The board approved the cloud quickbooks purchase and Patti will complete the transition prior to 1 July.
- E. **SECRETARY:**
- a. Warhawk Communication - expect a monthly newsletter with a shared form for board members and coordinators to submit communication requests prior to the 3rd Friday of the month. Newsletter will be sent out on the 3rd Sunday of the month, after the board meeting happens. Level directors will handle level specific communications and managers/coaches can do whatever they desire with their teams.
- F. **14U LEVEL DIRECTOR:** 4 teams next year. 4-5 Goalies.
- G. **12U LEVEL DIRECTOR:** 3 teams, maybe 2 goalies...with a new one trying out. More waivers coming in.
- H. **10U LEVEL DIRECTOR:** Considerably higher than last year...like 70ish kids...
- a. There were 28 10u kids at the last Sunday skate
- I. **6U/8U LEVEL DIRECTOR:**
- a. Completing turnover with John.
 - b. Desires to keep registration dates the same as the previous year.
 - c. Adam Hangle taking over grow the game coordinator.
 - d. Desire to pair up like levels between clubs if possible this year to continue to provide a competitive environment where evenly matched teams are able to come out of their shells
 - e. Need better communication on Warhawk basics and early on engagement at the PDP level. Try to implement girls program benchmark techniques.
 - f. We'll work to bring in parent and coach education on concussions.
- J. **GIRLS HOCKEY DIRECTOR:**
- a. 10-14u Sunday skates well attended
 - b. Intentional team building manual in works
 - i. example THFF event 60 girls coming, 30 families to help out of the goodness of their own hearts
 - ii. kids more engaged means parents are more engaged.
 - iii. 2012 Major girls Kohlman cup winners!
 - iv. WAHA - Try hockey for free, try goalie for free recommendations
 - v. Goalie sessions 2 per October and 1 per month with 2 separate sessions available
 1. A- 12u / 14u goalies
 2. B - 8u / 10u goalies
 - vi. Apply for a grant for quick change goalie sets?

Meeting Closed: 7:16pm