

# Verona Wildcats Youth Hockey Association

## Board Meeting

Wednesday, December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025

7:00pm VIA Mezzanine



Board members in attendance: **Justin Temple, Kyle Dziubla, Lauren Koehler, Troy Rost, Adam Sodersten, Bryan Lind, Wayne Pfahler, Amanda Ferwerda, Eric Helsher, Katie Baus, Earl Tollefson, Cathy Woods, Kate Louther, Matt Baus, Kaiti Bohacek, Amanda Lindow, Mike O'Brien**

1. **Call to order** – Justin Temple called the meeting to order at pm.
2. **Approve Minutes from the November 2025 Meeting** – Motion to approve minutes by Kyle, second by Bryan. Motion passed.
3. **Ice Inc. Report** (Justin Temple/Mike O'Brien) – No report.
4. **Treasurer's Report** (Troy Rost) – Reviewed current budget numbers. Long-term goal is to eliminate as much cash as possible. Also, a good reminder to make sure that 2 people are involved with any cash collection and that there are receipts.
5. **President's Report/Region 4** (Justin Temple) – Approving the playdown schedules by the end of this week.
6. **Committee Reports and Updates**
  - a. **Registrar's Report** (Adam Sodersten) – No report.
  - b. **Fundraising** (Cathy Woods) – Made roughly \$13,500 for the Hockey Fantasy cards, we sold roughly 1200 cards. We'll be forming a small committee for Parent's Night Out and will decide the date.
  - c. **Coaches Committee** (Joe Beyler) – No report.
  - d. **Ice Scheduler** (Earl Tollefson) – Everything is going well. If there are any other high school cancellations for the weather, practices will likely just get cancelled. Reminder for team managers to check for Refs in the DCHO.
  - e. **Website Update** (Karin Shippar) – Registration remains open for Learn to Play, U6, Junior Lynx, and U18 levels. Board guidance requested on whether U18 registration should be closed. Board suggests to close it on January 1. SportsEngine confirmed today that the scheduling bug preventing Earl from locating one team has been resolved. Tournament registration has slowed slightly. Current registrations (including Verona teams) are as follows: Red: 6 teams (2 spots remaining), White: 9 teams (3 spots remaining), Blue: 9 teams (3 spots remaining), Blue Girls: 7 teams (5 spots remaining). While we had fewer teams in the mite tournament last year, the tournament was fully booked at this point last season. Aubrey may be able to provide additional insight into any current outreach efforts.
  - f. **Jersey Coordinator** (Julie Kuprianczyk) – No report.
  - g. **Equipment** (Megan Seefeldt) – No report.
  - h. **Legal Counsel** (Brian Severson) – No report.
  - i. **Concessions** (Brian Lindow/Lesley Steffin) – No report.
  - j. **DIBS** (Desiree Bates) – Everything is entered through the end of January, Matt will work on adding DIBS through February 14. We will open the concessions during the Lynx games. Matt will send a final list of DIBs status out to the ALDs.
  - k. **Recruitment** (Kate Louther) – We were given a \$1000 grant for the Try Hockey Free event.

- l. **Girl's Hockey Committee** (Angela Hunt) – The girls jamboree was a great success. Thank you to everyone who helped make it happen! The raffle raised over \$700 in just two hours. We also met last week with U8 girls' parents to begin discussions about plans for next season. Meetings with current U10 parents are scheduled for January, and we will also begin conversations with Middleton.
- m. **Culture Liaison/CATS Subcommittee** (Eric Helsher) – We are struggling to get nominations this year, so we need to try and get more. We need to make a conscious effort in the new year to do more to mentor and develop coaches.
- n. **Communications** (Kaiti Bohacek) – One idea is to start sending out information about what the board does each week in the newsletter.
- o. **Apparel** (Amada Lindow) – Second store made ~\$780. There will be another store for team managers. Amanda bought car decal stickers that will be sold in the concession stand.
- p. **Photography Coordinator** (April Rabedeaux) – Team photos have been approved and released. U18 team photo is being edited with the correct team name, per Renee's input. Joel has been given access to the team photos to create the poster.
- q. **Tournament Director** (Kendra Noll) – Tournaments are going well! Bantam B's tournament went great this weekend and we made almost \$850 in the raffle, which is pretty good for a one team tournament. Bantam C is next towards the end of January.
- r. **Update from ALD's**
  - LTP (Bryan Lind) – No report.
  - U6 (Desiree Canto) – No report.
  - RWB (Aubrey Freeman) – First half of the season is almost done. Lots of changes around the Dane County League for the second half and I plan to start scheduling the second half this weekend and have it out before Christmas for the games starting 1/4/26. Mite tournament committee met for the first time and we had a good mix of 1st and 2nd year parents. Several jobs were divvied up and we plan to meet again early next month.
  - Squirt (Wayne Pfahler) – All Squirt practices are going well.
  - Peewee (Amanda Ferwerda) – B and C teams are having a hard time finding like teams to play but making it through.
  - Bantam (Eric Helsher) – Overall going well, but there have been some disciplinary challenges.
  - Mavericks (Katie Baus) – Season is going well, waiting to hear from WAHA what is happening with state.
  - U18 (Renee Zook) – We have 15 skaters and 3 dual roster goalies. The skater who covered goal for a tournament is no longer willing to play the position, so when we don't have a dual rostered goalie we will pass the bag. Shout Out to Karin, Adam and Julie who have been very helpful getting the season started, it requires extended time since the registration remains open after the season starts; I'm taking notes for advertisement and registration process improvement for next season.

## 7. Old Business

- a) None

## 8. New Business

- a) **January Board Meeting** – Will be moved to Thursday, January 22 instead of January 15 because of the High School game conflict.

- 9. **Motion to Adjourn** – Motion to adjourn by Kyle, seconded by Eric, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:07pm.