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BAHA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

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Date of meeting: 9.24.25

Time: 5:30PM

Essentia Health Sports Center

In attendance: Grant VanWyngaeren, Chris Velasco, Joe Winegar, Andrew Murray, Alicia Prahm, Sam Blum, Amanda Ciesinski, Justin Jerve, Scott Bender, Steve Leary

- I. Call to Order – Meeting called to order at 5:35pm by Grant
- II. Fundraising Meeting, open to all BAHA members: The above members were present, no additional members joined
 - Please note that Fundraising Meeting is open to all members of BAHA who can attend in person, or via Teams. Reach out if a Teams link is desired.
 - Review Gambling Report and proposed expenses: Alicia reviewed the August gambling numbers, gambling report and proposed expenses. Motion to approve the gambling report and proposed expenses by Sam. Andrew 2nd this motion and the motion passes
- III. Approval of Meeting Agenda – Motion to approve by Joe, 2nd by Sam. Motion carries.
- IV. Approval of Consent Agenda which includes: Motion to approve made Scott, 2nd by Justin. Motion carries.
 - a. Concessions report (*nothing to report*)
 - b. Hockey Director's report (*in person*) – Report provided in person. PDC will meet tomorrow and written report will follow (*see attached; Written report not available at the time of this meeting. It was later approved via email on 9/26/25 with 6 directors responding yes*)
 - i. Player Development Committee and In-House sub-comm.
 - c. Treasurer's/Financial report (*see attached*)
 - d. Recruitment and Retention Committee report (*nothing to report*)
 - e. Alumni Committee report (*nothing to report*)
 - f. SafeSport/Grievance/Discipline Committee (*nothing to report*)
 - g. Fundraising Committee report (*see attached*)
 - h. Executive Committee report (*nothing to report*)
 - i. Finance Committee report (*see attached*)
 - j. Marketing Committee report (*see attached*)
 - k. Events Committee report (*see attached*)
 - l. Team Managers Committee report (*see attached*)
 - m. Meeting Minutes (*electronically approve 9.14.25 and posted*)
- V. Old Business
 - a. Review of golf tournament fundraiser: Net = \$11,766.41 from all sources. See below for report
 - b. Coach pay proposal: Non parent coach stipend proposal presented by Grant. This was reviewed by the Board. Motion to approve by Sam, 2nd by Scott and the motion passes. The approved coach pay proposal will be posted on the website by Chris. Alicia added "Coach Compensation" to Teams under Personnel



- c. Dryland update: Andrew provided an update for upcoming 25/26 season Dryland program. The final number of teams at each level is not firm, so edits are anticipated. Pairing dryland with practice, and our trainer's schedule, has continued to be the challenge. Proposal by Justin for BAHA's scheduler to arrange dryland with 1 practice each week, for each level. If dryland trainer is unable to make it to the session, she will provide training plan to the team's coaches. This proposal was well received by the BoD, and Andrew will follow up.
- d. Long term planning: Items discussed
- VI. New Business
 - a. Teamwear: Chris is working with GLS, plan for the same UNRL sweatshirt as last year
 - b. Try Hockey for Free and Learn to Skate updates: Numbers were lower this year for Try Hockey for Free events. Discussion followed regarding timing of the event and getting the word out to families with potential rookie hockey players. We do have 40 new skaters in the Learn to Skate program. It was noted that sign up for rookie hockey players can extend well into October. Marketing committee will provide flyers at all the elementary schools to send home with K-2nd grade students, offering sign up in the month of October.
 - c. Squirt Pins: Pins have been ordered for the upcoming season. Design was agreed upon by the committee
 - d. Review the upcoming Board meeting dates for November and December: Given the holidays, November's meeting moved to November 24. December's meeting was moved to December 17.
- VII. Comments and Announcement: none
- VIII. Adjournment – Motion to adjourn made by Alicia at 7:26pm, 2nd by Joe. Motion carries.

Next Board meeting 10.29.25 at 5:30pm

PDC and Co-op Updates 9-25-25

- 15U-After talking things over with the HS coaches, the intent as of now will be to leave the 15U team with 12-13 skaters and 1 or 2 goalies which is a great number for fielding 1 team.
- 12U- With the 15U numbers now in a safe spot, the 12U team will not need to supply any players and will remain with 13 skaters and 1 goalie which is a great number for field 1 team
- 10U-we ended up having 20 skaters and 1 goalie. The Co-op felt the 10U group would be best served making 2 teams, and A and a B at this level and would like to recommend board approval of moving up 2 8U players, Charlee Barrato and Lainey Smith to the 10U level to give us enough kids to form the 2 teams.
- Bantams- We ended up 4 kids short from the numbers we anticipated based off of the survey results which has forced the PDC to make the recommendation to reduce the number of teams fielded at the bantam level from 3 to 2 with the classifications being AA and B1. If approved, all B2 tournaments we will be asked to be removed from.
- Injured Bantams- we currently have 2 bantams that will be unable to participate in tryouts due to injuries. Both players were discussed and a plan for their return to play will be relayed to their families within the coming days. AA post tryout roster will be a lighter on players due to giving the injured players an opportunity to tryout for the AA team. There could potentially be player movement once their tryouts have been completed.
- PDC would like to recommend the approval of Gaven Bickford as an assistant coach on our Bantam AA team
- PDC would Like to recommend the approval of Gaven Bickford as the new BAHA Development Coordinator
- PW's- We were informed last week that Brainerd was the only remaining northern association attempting to field a PWC team. There are plenty of metro teams that field a PWC team but scheduling has been nearly impossible. Because of these reasons, the PDC is recommending to re-classify our PWC team to a PWB2 team. Breakdown for the 2 teams would be an upper and lower team.



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-Squirts-We have enough players to field 4 small squirt teams. We did also receive 4 move up requests in Cannon Stewart, Kristian Marsh, Finley Spsychalla and Bryson Macdonald. The PDC would like to recommend board approval of the 4 move ups to allow them to tryout at the squirt level.

-Tryout evaluators sent on a separate sheet attachment, looking for approval of the PW and Bantam levels only at this time. Squirts and 10U will be looking for approvals next month.

Treasurer’s Report – 9.24.25

Prepared by Justin Jerve, Treasurer

Attached are the July and August 2025 financial reports.

Registration for Home Tournaments, Fall Hockey and Regular Season hockey started in August but are not final numbers yet. More analysis to budget in these areas in the October report. Concessions money and small bills change was put in the concessions stand for the opening of that for the season. More Quickbooks cleanup with B Johnson will need to be done as well. Will schedule a meeting with them after fundraisers go out.

Fundraising Report 9.21.25

Submitted by Alicia Prahm

Deposits for the month of August were \$48,188.06 and Allowable Expenses \$22,376.75. Net profit before taxes \$25,811.31 and **after taxes \$14,106.31**. This month we paid our annual profit tax of \$8,000, in addition to monthly taxes of \$3,705. That annual profit tax includes a \$2k overpayment (mistake by Alicia) - we will get that back as a refund.

Aug '25	Rent to Sites	\$12,000	\$6,680
	Payroll & employee taxes	\$4,000	\$3,484
	Service & Supplies	\$3,000	\$668
	Inventory (gambling product)	\$8,000	\$3,214
	Accounting/legal	\$3,000	\$495
	Equipment	\$4,000	\$0
	E tabs, Ebingo, and Revenue sharing	\$15,000	\$7,809
Sept '25	Rent to Sites	\$12,000	
	Payroll & employee taxes	\$4,000	
	Service & Supplies	\$3,000	
	Inventory (gambling product)	\$8,000	
	Accounting/legal	\$3,000	
	Equipment	\$4,000	
	E tabs, Ebingo, and Revenue sharing	\$15,000	



Oct '25	Rent to Sites	\$12,000	
	Payroll & employee taxes	\$5,000	
	Service & Supplies	\$3,000	
	Inventory (gambling product)	\$8,000	
	Accounting/legal	\$3,000	
	Equipment	\$4,000	
	E tabs, Ebingo, and Revenue sharing	\$15,000	

	June '24	June '25		July '24	July '25		Aug '24	Aug '25
Deposits	\$32,701	\$47,203		\$35,684	\$41,528		\$41,424	\$48,188
Expenses	\$7,738	\$20,748		\$17,177	\$21,744		\$16,649	\$22,376
Taxes	\$0	\$15,282		\$2,907	\$15,698		\$3,186	\$11,705
Net profit	\$24,963	\$11,173		\$15,600	\$4,085		\$21,589	\$14,106

Fundraising Report 9.24.25

Prepared by Justin Jerve

Welcome email for Fundraising Committee to those members went out this week with details about how our fundraisers work and known dates of when our work sessions will be. Late next week we will put together packets for pizza and raffle fundraisers, so they are ready to get to members the first week of practices. We will have two packet distribution nights for travel teams and also do one of the first practices for In House groups. Pizza forms will be due back no later than 11/7, and 11/25 is the delivery date. Raffle drawing has been moved back a month for cash flow purposes and that drawing will now be held the 3rd Monday in January vs February as it had been in the past. That date in 2026 is 1/19.

Marketing Committee Report 9.23.25

Submitted by Alicia Prahm

Committee has been working on communicating bios to memberships for new Hockey Development positions. We will meet in early October to discuss upcoming season, tournament pamphlets, and general plan to divide and conquer

Managers Committee Report 9-22-2025

Submitted by Steve Leary

We've asked the PDC to share coach contact information with Steve and Chris as soon as selections are finalized. Coaches will also be asked to appoint their team managers no later than Wednesday, October 7th, and to pass this request along directly to them. Once managers are confirmed, we'll need the coaches to supply the team managers full contact details. We're planning to host a mandatory Team Manager Meeting on Thursday, October 8th at 6:30 PM. Since Squirts/10U has a later tryout process, we can have a separate meeting once those teams are selected.

Events Committee Report 9-23-25

Submitted by Joe Winegar

The Warrior Hockey Classic 2025



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6/25/2025

14 Teams (56 golfers) – 1 team dropped out that morning to make 13 Teams

\$850 refunded to the dropping Team

Total before Cragun's Expenses - \$11,050

Profits:

\$4,907.72 – Cragun's money back to BAHA after golfers paid online including food (\$11,050 for 13 teams @ \$850/team)

\$7,700 – Sponsors – Play It Again Sports \$1,500, Crow Wing Recycling, Winegar Dental \$1,000 each, Hytec, Mid MN \$450 each, Jim's Electric \$500, all others \$250/team

\$777.14 – Gambling Profits

Total - \$13,384.86

Expenses:

\$1,500.00 – Skins money

\$118.45 – Sponsor signs from Lakes Printing

Total - \$3,172.31

Total Net Profit = \$11,766.41

**1 check written to Blue Line Boosters for \$850 to be deducted when splitting profits

Finance Committee – Investment Account

Submitted by Sam Blum

As of 08/31/2025:



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Components of Change

MTD | QTD | YTD | 1YR

Beginning Value	\$124,276.51
Net Contributions	\$0.00
Investment Gain	\$456.55
Income	\$866.60
Capital Appreciation	\$288.08
Expenses	\$0.00
Change in Accrued Income	-\$698.13
Ending Value	\$124,733.06