

ROSEMOUNT AREA HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
 Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Directors
 January 8, 2025; Steeple Center; 6:30 PM

Board Attendance:

Staloch	Present	Halvorson	Present
Marchese	Excused	Schaffler	Present
Feldhaus	Present	Hanowski	Excused
Anderson	Present	Lipke	Present
Cline	Present	Pilger	Present
Kovacs	Present	Jacobsen	Present
Rodine	Present	Kendhammer	Present
Hanson	Excused	Freske	Excused

Other Attendance:

Ebner	Williams	Balvance	Tobias	

Attendance Notes:

- Pilger joined the meeting at 7:10 pm.

1. Call to Order:

- a. Staloch called the meeting to order at 6:36 pm.

2. Additions or Corrections to Agenda

3. Reports from Non (Voting) Board Members:

a. High School Coaches

- i. No Report

b. Blue Line Club

- i. No Report

c. Ice Scheduler

- i. A written report was provided in advance of the meeting to the Board and is incorporated into these Minutes.

d. RCC Operations Coordinator

- i. Balvance provided an update regarding RCC operations. He also requested a reminder to Junior Gold and Bantam players that they are not permitted to enter the ice until the Zamboni doors are closed.

- e. Concessions (Williams)
 - i. Williams provided an update about concession operations. Concessions are going well but there are a substantial amount of unclaimed concessions DIBS.
- f. Accounting (Ebner)
 - i. Ebner provided an update to the Board regarding financial and accounting activities for the Association relating to the 2024-2025 season, including fundraising credits, payments to coaches, and team budgets.
- g. Gambling (Tobias)
 - i. Tobias provided an update in addition to the written report that was provided to the Board, which included a review of the December actuals and January expenses, and an evaluation of recent charitable gaming at Carbones and Tops Pizza.
 - ii. Tobias provided an update regarding the possible construction and expansion of Willie McCoy's in Rosemount, MN. He also provided an update regarding the partnership with Carbones.
 - iii. The booth at Tops Pizza was closed in December. Pull-tabs are now being managed behind the bar. A few games have been closed at Tops Pizza but there are still logistical challenges associated with gaming at Tops Pizza. The Board discussed the ongoing situation and its strategic priorities relating to charitable gaming.
 - iv. Tobias provided an update regarding Carbone's bingo for both the Boys and Girls Blue Line Club. The decision was made by Tobias in the spring 2025, the Boys Blue Line Club will take over the meat raffle at Carbones for 2025 and the Girls Blue Line Club will manage bingo at Carbones for 2025. The Blue Line Clubs will then switch duties in the spring of 2026.

4. Motions:

- a. Motion to approve gambling actuals and estimates

Motion: Tobias motioned, and Kovacs seconded the motion to approve December actuals, and January expenses as presented to the Board. The Board discussed the motion. Upon a vote, the motion was approved (11-0).

- b. Motion to close charitable gaming at Tops Pizza.

Motion: Kendhammer motioned, and Schaffler seconded the motion to close all charitable gaming operations at Tops Pizza. The Board discussed the motion. Upon a vote, the motion was approved (7-3-2).

5. New Business

a. Board Applications (Feldhaus)

Feldhaus presented the Board Election process for the 2025-2027 Board of Director Positions. At least eight (8) director positions will be open based on expiring terms. Feldhaus provided an overview of the election process and the schedule:

- January 22, 2025 Post applications by midnight
- February 2, 2025 Applications close
- February 5, 2025 Nominations Committee meeting
- February 12, 2025 Review and verify applications at Board Meeting
- February 16, 2025 voting opens
- February 23, 2025 voting closes
- February 26, 2025 Annual Meeting (Tentative - 7 pm - Steeple Center/Zoom)

b. Handbook Review (Feldhaus)

Feldhaus provided an update to the Board regarding the annual handbook review. The Handbook Review committee will begin meeting in March 2025 to proposed revisions to the RAHA Handbook, if any. The RAHA Handbook was substantially revised for the 2024-2025 season and it is the expectation that future revisions, if any, should be minimal. The Board was encouraged to provide proposed revisions before their terms expire on the RAHA Board.

c. Mid-Season Survey (Lipke)

Lipke provided an update to the Board regarding the Mid-Season Survey, including survey results and response rates. The Board discussed the Mid-Season Survey, evaluated feedback, and had an internal discussion regarding survey results.

d. Scholarship (Feldhaus)

Feldhaus provided an updated on the annual Scholarships provided by RAHA to Rosemount High School Seniors. The Board discussed the scholarship offerings, including the requirements for scholarship applicants.

Motion: Feldhaus motioned, and Staloch seconded the motion to approve four (4) \$1,000 scholarship for Rosemount High School seniors. The Board discussed the motion. Upon a vote, the motion was approved (12-0).

6. Committee Reports:

a. President's Report (Staloch):

- i. Staloch provided an update to the Board regarding several efforts and recent conversations concerning ice availability and options with the City of Rosemount and other ice availability for RAHA.

- b. VP Report (Marchese): No additional report**
 - i. Staloch provided an update on behalf of Marchese regarding a recent Grievance Complaint.

- c. Secretary/Treasurer Report (Feldhaus): No additional report**

- d. Operations Manager Report (Anderson): No additional report**

- e. Committee Reports:**
 - i. IP (Kendhammer and Pilger):
 - In addition to the written report, additional IP Extra referees are needed to fill slots.

 - ii. Goalie Committee (Kovacs): No additional report

 - iii. Tournament Committee (Cline):
 - 12UA District Tournament – two additional games were added as compared to 2024. Cline and Kalata are working to build in two additional games to host this tournament as well as managing the tournament details.

 - iv. Coaches Committee (Hanson):
 - The Coaches Committee is reviewing and verifying the coaching registration status of all RAHA coaches.

 - v. Ice Committee (Hanson): No additional report

 - vi. Player Development (Freske): No additional report

 - vii. Communication Committee (Lipke): No additional report

 - viii. Tryout Committee (Marchese): No additional report

 - ix. Fundraising Committee (Rodine):
 - In addition to the written report, Rodine provided an update regarding Girls Hockey Day and the tremendous success of the day.

 - x. Girls Coordinator: No report

 - xi. Boys Coordinator (Hanowski): No report

 - xii. Discipline Committee Report (Staloch): No additional report

 - xiii. DIBS (Jacobson): No additional report

7. Announcements

- a. Future Meetings: February 12, 2025

8. Adjournment

Motion: Kendhammer motioned and Jacobsen seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Upon a vote, the motion was approved (12-0). The meeting was adjourned at 8:39 pm.