

TCAHA Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, May 12, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. Hampton Inn & Suites Pasco

I. Call to Order (6:33 pm)

Board Members in Attendance: Matt McDaniel, Ryan Kelly, Dustin Willoughby, Dan Manella, Jesse Garner, and Gary Atherley

Absent from the board: Shannon Lukins, Kelley Scott, Derek Ellingsen

Members in Attendance: Tiffany Richardson, Haley Hollandsworth, Melanie Billingsley, Michelle Trombley, Jen Matilla, Sean Simper, Keith Harrison, Brandi Kovic, Janine Jackson, Andrea Owens, Kurt Lukins, Bruce Gradisher, Aaron Trombley

***Reading of April Meeting Minutes**

The motion to approve minutes by Gary Atherley, seconded by Dan Manella, and the board approved.

***Treasurer Report – Kelley Scott – Provided by Kurt Lukins**

Opening balance: \$433,715.51

Closing balance: \$439,072.89 (as of 5/12/25)

The motion to approve the treasurer's report by Ryan Kelly, by Gary Atherley seconds and the board approved.

Matt thanked the outgoing Board members for their service and dedication to TCAHA. Ryan and Dan gave closing remarks on their tenures on the Board.

Announcement of new board members:

Vice President – Bruce Gradisher

Secretary – Kurt Lukins

Director 3 - Aaron Trombley

Ryan adjourns the meeting at 6:40.

Call Back to Order (6:42 pm)

Board Members in Attendance: Matt McDaniel, Bruce Gradisher, Kurt Lukins, Kelley Scott, Dustin Willoughby, Aaron Trombley, Jesse Garner, and Gary Atherley

Absent from the board: Derek Ellingsen

II. Report of Officers and Directors

*President – Matt McDaniel – Working with Garrett and HWL on ice availability for this summer. Kurt working on handbook updates.

*Vice President – Bruce Gradisher –

*Secretary – Kurt Lukins – Gave brief update on handbook update and the goal to reduce Handbook size and move much of the content to a separate Operating Guideline document for internal TCAHA operations (handbook being focused on players, parents, coaches – customer facing).

*Treasurer – Kelley Scott – Absent – no report

*Directors:

– Aaron Trombley - Director 3 – No report

– Jesse Garner - Director 4 – No report

– Dustin Willoughby - Director 5 – The mural painted in HAPO locker room area. Banners and pictures should start to go up in the next month.

– Gary Atherly- Director 6 – No report

*Past President –Derek Ellingsen – absent no report

*Hockey Director – Garrett Stephenson – Proposing head coach approval for 10U (Sean Compton), 12U (Ryan Deery) and 18U (John Skoglie and Chris Hedger Co-coach). Discussion on process, if all coaches that applied were interviewed and voting for process for allowing process deviation. Not all 10U applicants were interviewed.

A motion was made by Matt and seconded by Bruce to table the 10U coaching selection until further interviews are conducted. This was approved by all board members except Kurt.

A motion was made by Matt and seconded by Dustin to approve Ryan Deery as the Head Coach for 12U Rep and this vote was unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Matt and Aaron seconded to approve John Skoglie and Chris Hedger as Co-coaches for 18U rep. This was approved unanimously. Janine brought up that only one coach can be a Head Coach on the USA Hockey roster and the Board agreed that this would be John Skoglie without a vote or dissent.

Matt explained rationale for coaching stipend and reimbursement for non-parent coaches. The proposal is to do this at 12U for Coach Deery (stipend and travel) and at 18U for Coach Skoglie (stipend and travel) and Coach Hedger (travel). Team funds would cover these costs. Matt motioned to table this discussion so we can work out more of the details before considering for approval. Kurt seconded and the board unanimously approved. Garrett will work on the details of stipend and travel expense reimbursement.

Keith Harrison asked about the rumor of a 12U skate at stick and puck on Tuesdays prior to 12U tryouts. Garrett explained that there will be an optional event on 20 May in the early evening at Hapo to have 12U players trying out to skate with a coach. Coach Deery will be in the stands. This is optional but Coach Deery wanted an opportunity to start to get to know the kids in this age group.

III. Committee Reports (Chairperson/Board Liaison)

*Tournament Committee – Janine Jackson – A few more checks in from hotels. Funds coming in from visitor’s bureau. Garrett sent prospective dates for next year’s tournaments.

*Goalie Committee – Mike Landry – absent – Dustin reported, would like goalie labs to continue on Mondays for next season and a bulletin board for goalie of the week / goalie community award. Numbers drop for goalie lab if held on the weekend. Dan – they have a goalie board in Spokane and it is pretty cool.

*Coaching Committee – Bruce Gradisher (Board Coaching Liaison) - nothing to report

*Discipline Committee – Bruce Gradisher – nothing to report

*Equipment/Facilities Committee – Dustin Willoughby – nothing to report

*Finance Committee – Kelley Scott – Board Finance Liaison– nothing to report

*Nominations Committee – Kurt Lukins – nothing to report

*Public Relations/Sponsorship Committee – TBD

*Registration Committee – Janine Jackson – Waiting to understand what next year per player tuition costs looks like as this will determine when registration can start for the 25-26 regular season.

*Scheduling Committee – Brandy Kovis – nothing additional

*Scholarship/Awards Committee - Gary Atherly – Need to get with Shannon on the process to get this going.

*All Team Manager Committee – Rachel Anderson (Associate Team Manager) – absent no report, looking at finding another person per Janine.

*Tri-City American Board Liaison – Isaac Merkl – not present, no report

*Girls' Club – Tiffany Richardson – no report

*Spring Hockey/MS & HS Hockey – Janine – The season is moving right along without issue. Had a request for a 5 year old coming out of BP to be allowed to register and play the last four weeks of 4 vs 4. Late registration has not been allowed previously on MS and HS hockey (but they have set teams). Board agreed to allow prorated registration for 4 vs 4 without a vote or dissent.

*Mid-Columbia Hockey Officials Association (MCHOA) – Russel Del Gesso – absent no report.

IV. Unfinished Business

Alumni game – Janine put a reminder out to please get the word out and register.

V. New Business

* Rep Coaches Approvals 18U / 12U / 10U – Garrett Stephenson – Covered above during EHD report.

VI. Adjourn Meeting

Motion to adjourn by Matt at 7:44 pm, seconded by Dustin - board approves.

VII. BOD available for questions/discussions

Prepared by:  Kurt Lukins, Secretary, Board of Directors

Approved by:  _____, Board of Directors