

**ACYHA Board Of Directors
Membership Meeting Minutes
June 2024**

Meeting Type: Monthly Meeting
Date: June 10, 2024
Time: 6:30 pm
Location: NHIA Meeting Room 1

Attendees

Brian Thul - President -
Dustin Glad - Vice Chair - ex
Scott Allen - Treasurer -
Kevin Pote - D3 Rep. -
Kim Nau - Secretary -
Aaron Holscher - Boys Travel Director -
Norm Orstad - Girls Travel Director -
James Tousignant - ACE -
Derrick Raymond - Ice Scheduler -

Julie Wahl - Sales/Fundraising -
Susie Melynchuk - Tournament Dir -
Matt Inciti - Concession Manager -
Jim Lewandoski - Mite Director of Development -
Sarah Guzman - Mite Program Director -
Drew Herron - Communications and Marketing -
Ryan Hegarty - Safe Sport -
Aaron Zimmerman - At Large - ex
Tina Schochow Greazel - Volunteer Program Dir -

Additional Representatives

Matt Rappaport - WEB Admin -
Tracee DeNeui - Gambling Mgr -
Paul Swanson - Asst. ACE -
Kris Murphy - Eval Coordinator -
Erin Dungan/John Knutson - Equipment -
Jess Riley/Kari Karsnick - Registrar -
Ryan King - HDC Chair -
Miranda Hortenbach - Skate -
Scott Tousignant - Asst. ACE -
Lida Knoll - Graphic Design -
Lindsey Brekker - Fundraising Coordinator
Liz Tratnick - Ass't Treasurer
Michael Kautzman - Ass't Ice Sched

LEVEL COORDINATORS

Bantam - Anthony Pangarakis -
PeeWee - Peter Houghtaling -
Squirt - Michael Thompson -
Goalie - Andrew Cooper -

18 Current voting members; 10 required for quorum

| Topics: | Presenter(s): |
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| 6:31 pm | Call to Order Brian Thul Roll Call Kim Nau |

Approval of May 2024 Meeting minutes: Aaron H - motion, Scott - seconded

1. Gambling Director (Tracee)

Approval for expenses for July 2024 - \$43,700

Approval to make an ice time donation of \$25,000 for May 2024

Approval to make our yearly donation of \$3500 donation to city of Plymouth for their canine program. (ties to the Sunshine Factory)

Approval for an additional \$5k for the month of April 2024, making the April donation \$70k not \$65k

Motion to approve - Scott; seconded - Derrick

2. Chair (Brian)

Here's to a wonderful summer! As we take a breath and begin to prepare for next season, I would like to remind all of us that our roles matter and we will continue to provide an excellent experience for our players. I know all us will step up and give more than expected as we move into the 2024-25 season.

Parent Meeting

Will do again this year - required. Will try to have at Calvary again.

3. Treasurer (Scott)

As of May 31, 2024, the Association is showing a gain of \$4,541.64. This is not the final amount for the fiscal year as there are two outstanding components: May 2024 charitable gambling donation and a journal entry to reclassify 2024-2025 tourney expenses to the correct period. I plan to send an updated final set of statements by the July board meeting.

2024-2025 Budget: as of June 6, 2024, we are operating on a small approved amount to cover expenses and do not have a board approved budget. Current status shows a projected loss of just shy of \$65,000, which is way too much. I would ask that each budget area look to see if there are any ways to trim your amounts, so that the projected loss is closer to \$25,000. One consideration: raising registration fees at the Travel level by \$100, which will potentially bring the loss to \$45,000.

Board discussion around raising rates - most are favorable. \$100/skater or \$200/2 or more skater families.

Motion to increase registration fees for travel teams (Squirt/U10 level and higher) by \$100 per player with a \$200 cap for families with 2+ players. Seconded - Derrick. Motion passes unanimously.

Scott will cancel our Zoom account.

HDC/DHO - discussion on decreasing their budget items. Ryan/HDC will discuss at their next meeting to determine what can be provided at that level and what may be affected.

HDC/DHO budget to decrease to \$22k. Scott will send out the proposed budget tonight so we can review and be prepared to vote at the July meeting.

4. Secretary (Kim)

Nothing to report

5. District 3 (Kevin)

Team declarations are into D3

D3 meeting is on Wednesday June 12...notes from meeting follow afterwards

6. Concessions (Matt)

Not in attendance - New Hope increased rent - he's okay for it

7. Marketing/Communications (Drew)

10k pucks going well

8. Registrar (Jess/Kari)

*SportsEngine did not make any improvements with their financial tools to streamline our registration process. I have a meeting with them on Monday to discuss options.

*Would like to start building registration site by end of June--will need to know fees and if we want to do early bird discount. Ideas on early bird--discount the cost of USA hockey fees if you register by Sept 1st--down fall on this would be difference in the USA hockey rates per level.

SportsEngine offered a reduction in fees due to issues from \$895 to \$799. Would also redesign our website for free (otherwise \$4k cost)

9. ACE director (James)

No report

10. Boys Travel Coordinator- (Aaron H)

Level Coordinators booking tournaments for next year. Almost all teams have been scheduled for 3 tourneys for the season with 1 out of town tourney. Nothing else new to report.

Aaron motions to change; Scott seconded.

- Sophomore rule
 - Change the player policy to where sophomores can tryout out for high school and then return
 - Policy now
 - § As long as ACYHA Bantam, U16, U14, and U12 team evaluations are held prior to Boys' and Girls' Varsity and Junior Varsity placements: Bantam, U16, U14, and U12 Girls level players trying out for Junior Varsity or Varsity who have already made an ACYHA traveling team are declared ineligible for the traveling team once they appear on the ice for Junior Varsity/Varsity evaluations. Players should be notified of this rule before they try out for their Junior Varsity or Varsity teams. Should they not be invited to play Junior Varsity or Varsity, they must play at the Junior Gold or U19 level as these teams are formed after Junior Varsity and Varsity evaluations.
 - Looking to add bullet points under the current policy
 - § An exception will be made for 10th graders who declare to the HDC their intentions to try out for a high school team by September 1st.
 - § ACYHA may adjust Bantam/U15 team rosters due to a player/players making a high school team as a result of the above exception.

11. Girls Travel Director- (Norm)

Staying on track for registering tournaments for our teams. Tentative Girls' hockey day for December 14th.

12. Mite Coordinator (Jim/Sarah)

Sunday Night Mites started - going well! 78 so far, 107 last year, but more are still registering

Working on Learn to Skate and Try Hockey for Free dates.

13. Tournaments (Susie)

1 Squirt A spot open for tournaments - that's it!

14. Sales and Fundraising director (Julie)

Need to decide on Gertens fundraiser - all Mites (not first years) will participate - buyout is \$75 for 1 player, \$100 for 2 or more

Restaurant nights - no work on our end except to advertise - will start doing these next season

15. HDC Update (Ryan K)

HDC will be meeting on 6/9

Agenda items to date include:

1. planning of dates and coordination of body contact/angling/checking clinic to be assisted by USA/MN Hockey
2. Follow up to Coaches Surveys; adjustments and changes for next year
3. Sub-committee to meet separately on planning and finalization of DHO role
4. Discussion of pre-season coaching clinics and parent meetings for 24-25 year

**additional agenda items will be added to the meeting as the date approaches; meeting notes will be turned in prior to time of ACYHA Board meeting. *Notes emailed with ACYHA Meeting Agenda*

Addressed budget item changes and why they requested more

Body checking clinic - looking at dates in September

Will bump July meeting to end of June

Review of coaches surveys

Change to policy and procedure regarding player ice time

16. Equipment (Erin/John)

Eval jerseys - will be purchased from All Star.

17. Ice Scheduler (Derrick)

Donating to Breck for their upgrade project. They are helping us with more ice and access to the arena. Solid gesture for our partnership. Scheduling camps this month and Placements.

18. Safe Sport Coordinator (Ryan H)

Following up with Safe Sport Director Scott Gray at Minnesota Hockey to inquire about the safe sport filing by OMGHA at the end of February. There has been no communication returned to date or resolution to the issue.

19. Volunteer Program Director (Tina)

Summer DIBS session is open for recruiting and concessions.

The 2024-25 student worker signup is up on the website.

Planning on the same DIBS hour minimums as last season. 25 hours minimum (7 hours need to be special events hours).

Tina motions: New Travel Team Coaches DIBS policy: "75 DIBS hours per team will be allocated amongst the Head Coach and assistant coaches. 25 hours are deducted from the hour pool for each paid coach on the team. Any coach receiving 25 hours will have their Special Events Hours obligations fulfilled."

Seconded - Aaron H - motion passes unanimously

20. Skate Coordinator (Miranda)

Nothing reported

8:09 pm meeting adjourned motion by Scott, seconded by Tina