

**ACYHA Board Of Directors
Membership Meeting Minutes
March 2025**

Meeting Type: Monthly Meeting
Date: March 10, 2025
Time: 6:30 pm
Location: NHIA Meeting Room 1

Attendees

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

Julie Wahl - Sales/Fundraising -
Susie Melynchuk - Tournament Dir -
Matt Inciti - Concession Manager -
Jim Lewandoski - Mite Director -
Sarah Guzman - Mite Program Director -
Drew Herron - Communications and Marketing -
Ryan Hegarty - Safe Sport -
Aaron Zimmerman - At Large -
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 -
Nikki Friederich - Fundraising Director
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):
6:30 pm	Call to Order Brian Thul Roll Call Kim Nau

Approval of February Meeting Minutes: Motion: Dustin Seconded: Kevin

1. Gambling Director (Tracee)

Approval for expenses for April 2025 in the amt of \$42,400
Approval to make an ice time donation of in the amt of \$35k for February 2025

Mite Jamboree raffle ticket sales \$4,023
March is starting out great - very busy at SF and Pub.

Approval of gambling report: Motion: Scott Seconded: Kim

2. Chair (Brian)

3. Treasurer (Scott)

As of February 28, 2025, the Association is showing a financial gain of \$111,210.20; please review your budget areas to see how expenses are tracking as we head towards the end of the fiscal year (May 31, 2025).

1099's were prepared in January 2025; 52 forms for a total of \$177,838.00

4. Secretary (Kim)

Communication/social media posts to go out soon on open board positions. Nominating committee members?

Nominating committee: Tina, Miranda, Matt I if we can't find a third

Received an app for Web Master

5. District 3 (Kevin)

See D3 minutes that Kevin sent out. They are in great need of board members at the district level. If you're interested, please reach out to D3.

6. Concessions (Matt)

Friday night of Mite Jamboree was crazy busy. Looking into having a student manager with a flat rate pay instead of hourly. Would help with manager availability

7. Marketing/Communications (Drew)

See documents sent out with updated minutes - re: photos, mural

Compiling old photos from Cooper and Armstrong hockey teams to make the mural - boys on North rink; girls on South rink. \$500 per section of the mural. Not sure of size yet therefore not sure of cost.

8. Registrar (Jess/Kari)

Spring pond hockey registration is open - 64 registered so far

USA Hockey fees going up next year, don't know the amount yet

9. ACE director (James)

Will be looking at the post season survey of families. Will be sent out after the Bantam A state tourney. Exit interviews with coaching staff will be happening soon.

Family survey should probably come from exec board/board rather than hockey development.

10. Boys Travel Coordinator- (Aaron H)

Not much to report - seasons are over except Bantam A; goalie situation still an issue, especially at Bantams for next year.

11. Girls Travel Director- (Norm)

Playoffs have wrapped up, and all teams had strong seasons. Looking ahead, our numbers remain steady, and we'll spend the next month assessing levels to determine next year's team placements. We hope to have teams at every level again next season, including a U15 team.

- 12A had a fantastic season, finishing just one goal short of a state tournament appearance.
- 12B1 battled hard all year, showing resilience and teamwork.

- 10B1 ended the season strong with solid performances down the stretch.
- 10B2 made the biggest strides, growing both individually and as a team.

More updates on team levels will follow as planning continues.

Heather - coach at U8 level and team manager. Interested in helping to develop the girl's program - would report to Norm with a focus on the younger girls in the Mite program. Also help Norm register for tournaments, hockey development, etc. Board needs to give thought to this and in April we are looking to approve this new position.

12. Mite Coordinator (Jim/Sarah)

Jamboree was great! Wayzata emailed them to discuss problem solving at the mite district level. Also looking at scheduling ice time, shared practices, exception on full ice scrimmages, etc

Looking at coaches and dibs

MN Wild Skate it forward grant - application has been submitted

13. Tournaments (Susie)

Nothing to report

14. Sales and Fundraising director (Julie)

Nothing new to report

15. HDC Update (Ryan K)

Want to encourage families to please respond to the surveys

Player projections, where teams will land as far as numbers, goalie issues

Conversations about HDC, high school program

Letter out to association that summarizes year and a thank you

DHO - contact with coaches via email, calls, at practices and meetings - they are focused on improving, helping our coaches

16. Equipment (Erin/John)

Got rid of some 'vintage' jerseys

17. Ice Scheduler (Derrick)

Ice is done for this year, meetings happening soon to plan for next year - ie: teams to scrimmage during evals, etc

18. Safe Sport Coordinator (Ryan)

For the upcoming season, should make sure everyone knows what Safe Sport is AND isn't. More communication with coaches is needed

19. Volunteer Program Director (Tina)

DIBS Deposits:

-197 DIBS deposits for Returning families have been fully canceled, with 4 partially canceled for having DIBS mostly complete.

-8 DIBS Cash outs from Returning families.

-All 39 New mite families DIBS deposits will be canceled. Most of them completed their 5 DIBS hours. For those families that did not, it will be noted that their hours were worked by Board members.

DIBS Items to Note for next year:

-I have added a section on the Volunteer page about Team Volunteering (clock/score/box/etc) vs DIBS Association volunteer hours to clear up that question. Team Volunteering does not count towards DIBS hours.

-We had an issue this season with the High School Boys DIBS session being public and youth families claiming HS game shifts. Most were canceled in time, but 1 family worked HS hours during NH Invitational. I'll work with HS boys volunteer position next season on this.

DIBS Program Changes for 2025-26:

I will need to make changes to the DIBS program for next season since we will likely have less families. I am looking at the following areas for efficiencies/requirements: Mite Coaches, Recruitment committee, Board comp for Special Events hours, and Overall hour requirement.

20. Skate Coordinator (Miranda)

SKATE Event will be Sunday, March 23 at Frankie's Pizza for a buffet.

11:00-11:45 Bantams and U12s

12:00-12:45 PeeWees

1:00-1:45 Squirts and U10s

In addition to the buffet skaters will earn a gift card from PURE Hockey and some other swag.

We have 136 skaters who made SKATE this year.

Bantams= 25

PeeWee= 43

Squirt= 34

U12 = 18

U10= 16

Meeting adjourned 8:15 pm - Motion: Dustin Seconded: Matt