

Yankton Area Ice Association

905 Whiting Drive
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YAIA Meeting Agenda June 14, 2025 6:00 PM Rink Board Room

Special Thanks to River City Rainbow Chase - Renee Brooks \$3000 Donation
Do they have anything special they would like the funds used for?

1. Call Meeting to Order

Present- Ryan Rusher, Dan Bentley, Eric Shoemaker, Brian Wenish, Jen Livingston, Shawn Weber, Abby Sprecher, Barrie Larsen
Absent- Lisa Nielson

2. Approval of May Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve- Eric Shoemaker
Second- Dan Bentley
Motion approved

3. Committee Reports

a. Treasurer Report – Jennifer Livingston

i. Budget Committee – Jen Livingston, Ryan Rusher, Dan Bentley, & Kevin Perakslis
No Update from Wholesale Supply
July 1st is new fiscal year
June 30th was last day to send in budget requests

b. Curling – Juliana Dick-Ford

Looking for new President

c. Hockey Coaching – Chad Renken

i. Coaching Committee

1. Meeting with Ryan Rusher about Coaching Apps?
2. Fall Schedule/Preseason
3. YAIA Teams
 - a. Girls JV

They will have 12 league games if the state gets 5 teams

It appears that they will have 9+ girls signed up for JV

Motion to approve girls JV team- Eric Shoemaker

Second Abby Sprecher

Motion approved

Kevin Perakslis offered updated Jerseys for the Girls team. It was decided to leave the existing at this time.

4. Tournaments
5. Summer Hockey
6. Play-up Requests
7. Next Season Practice Schedule
Figure skating has their schedule submitted
Waiting for hockey
8. Team Coordinators - Selection Process
9. Assistant Coaches - Coaches Application?
Needing/looking for a Squirt coach

d. Figure Skating – Heidi Enge / Laura Drake

- i. 1. Figure Skate Coach Pay Scale proposal for 2025-2026 season

YAIA Figure Skate Coach Pay Scale					
Yrs of Service	0	1	2	3	4+
Coaching up to Freestyle 5+	\$16.00 ph	\$17.00 ph	\$18.00 ph	\$19.00 ph	\$20.00 ph
Coaching up to Freestyle 2	\$15.00 ph	\$16.00 ph	\$17.00 ph	\$18.00 ph	\$19.00 ph

Notes:

- Slightly higher rate for coaching, the higher Freestyle levels 3-5. These coaches have passed these levels themselves and can teach the higher level elements correctly to avoid injury.

- All figure skate coaches are required to register for Professional Membership with ISI, complete Safesport Training and background screening.

- In recent seasons, the majority of YFS coaches have coached for 1-3 seasons. Most are college students attending Mount Marty or USD, who quit coaching upon graduation. Only 1 local coach has coached more than 4 years.

Motion to approve pay scale-Jen Livingston
 Second Eric Shoemaker
 Motion Approved

2. Proposed 2025-2026 FS Coaches:

- Morgan Fellows \$20ph. (returning coach, all lessons/levels)
- Hailee Privett \$17ph. (returning coach, all lessons/levels)
- Lauren VerSteege \$19ph. (returning coach, Saturdays Only in January-March)
- Katherine Pfaff \$16ph. (new coach, all lessons/levels. USD student, Watertown FS alumni, 4+ years coaching experience)
- Eleanor Starzl \$15ph. (returning coach, up to FS2. Alumni/coach trainee in 24-25)
- Adison Uhall \$15ph. (new coach, up to FS2. YFS Alumni)

Motion to approve FS Coached-Abby Sprecher

Second-Brian Wenish

Motion approved

- ii. 3. Tentative 2025-2026 Figure Skating Schedule Request submitted to Scheduler.

- iii. 4. Yankton FS SKills Clinic confirmed for November 1-2, 2025 with guest coach Tasia Hillestad
 - Saturday, Nov 1 from 8am-6pm: Advanced levels, FS1 and above
 - Sunday, Nov 2 from 8am-12pm: Basic levels, Alpha through FS1

e. Registrar- Amanda Hanson

f. Safety Committee – Tona Larsen / Karen Schleiger

g. Executive Report – Ryan Rusher

i. 4-HLeaders Meeting - Eric Shoemaker

Possible new committee to work on future addition

Eric Shoemaker and Jen Livingston to visit with bank about future funding for locker room addition

1. Reminder - We must ask permission from 4-H to access the building during our off-season April 1st-September 30th.
2. Rest Room - Clean Up After yourself.

ii. Other:

1. Director & Officer Insurance Policy
 - a. Shawn Weber was reviewing in detail.

Still possible questions with USA hockey coverage. Looking further into it.

2. United Way Annual Meeting - June 18th from 4-5PM
Barrie Larsen to attend

h. Vision Committee – Shawn Weber

- i. If you are interested in joining the Vision Committee, please contact Shawn Weber.

i. Social Committee – Stephanie Marlette

j. Hockey Development – Karen Schleiger

- i. Request for Board to approve Girls JV team for 25-26 season.
- ii. Summer programs have all begun.

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k. Alumni Committee – Shawn Wagner

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I. Marketing Committee – Shelby Nilsen

m. Discipline Committee – Eric Shoemaker – VP

n. Facility Committee

i. Equipment–Sara Shoemaker / Karen

1. Will be getting equipment ordered.

ii. Building – Brian Wenisch

1. Zamboni-
2. Compressor
 - a. Small pressure issue on compressor –
 - Will start to get estimates on what it would cost to repair or replace more areas as we believe we will continue to have issues with the old pipes.
Brian Wenisch working on getting budget cost
 - **End of Season**
3. Heaters above bleachers
 - a. Waiting proposal from Ryan Thoms Working on getting proposal together.
4. Team Banners in Rink- Still needing updated
 - a. Need to Update Sioux Center and Add Brandon, Northern Hills
5. LiveBarn vs Private Stream -
 - a. Skip will be working on new live stream options
6. Other:
 - Needing design pick for center logo for 20th year celebration
 - Chad Renken to get quote to have boards cleaned
 - Karen offered to paint benches

o. State Delegate – Brian Wenisch

Nate Sanderson to fill in vacant term by Dan French

p. Events Committee – Lindsey Rabbass

- i. River Boat Days Registered - Roller Blading, Icee's Skips Truck..
Special items for parade
-Dec 9th first hockey game played in Yankton, Invite alumni to walk in parade.
- ii. Logo Contest
July 1st deadline to submit

q. Fundraising – Amy Ondell

Looking for estimated revenue for rink signage.

- i. First Dakota Donation? Issue resolved

r. Key Master – Sarah Thoms

s. Handbook – Barrie Larsen ??? **needing to get with Ryan**

i. Locker room policy/handbook update? -Ryan Rusher

- a. Further review is needed on the Locker room policy, use USA Hockey, SafeSport, ISI and US Figure Skating as resources to update our policy.

ii. Assistant captains

1. Handbook has 3 Assistant captains
2. SDAHA/USAH has 2 Assistant captains(Rule 202)
3. Process to remove a Captain's letter if deemed necessary.

iii. Play Up Change Request Due June 1st

1. Once Approved - Send notice to association with link to the form.

iv. Change Wording for Competition Fees for Figure Skating

v. Review Agenda for Missing Handbook Changes that need to be documented

vi. Add Organizational Chart

4. Old Business

a. Proposal of Building Expansion: Eric Shoemaker

i. Present to the Yankton City Bid Board on 8:00am June 12th - Eric Shoemaker

b. Scheduler Replacement

i. Looking for someone to take over Scheduling on 4/1/2025

ii. No one has stepped up yet

5. New Business

Lisa Nielson resigning from board position-Replacement will be picked at the July 8th meeting

a. Other

b. Next Meeting

i. June 10th, 2025 at 6:00 PM

6. Executive Session(if needed)

7. Motion to Adjourn

Motion to approve-Shawn Weber

Second- Eric Shoemaker

Motion approved