

MISSION

- Provide a safe, fun, and affordable youth hockey experience for all members.
- Instill and support family values guided by respect for oneself and others.
- Create an environment that emphasizes progressive skill development necessary for success.
- Educate, understand, and respect various levels of competition.
- Hold the game of hockey in high regard, along with its players, coaches and parents.
- Develop friendships that last a lifetime.

BOARD MEMBER ATTENDANCE					
Amy Andrys (P) Yes	Wes Kurszewski (T) Yes	Sarah Knuth (S) Yes	Matt Gillette No	Traci Graf No	Matthew Havlik Yes
Scott Johnson Yes	Steven Lewis Yes	Eric Mellott (VP) Yes 7:15	Jena Millard Yes	Jamie Miller Yes	Tim Noethen Zoom
OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE					
Justin Potter <i>Past President</i> No	Mike Schindler <i>Director of Hockey</i> No	Jeremy Froehle <i>Guest</i> No	Jim Arnold <i>Guest</i> Yes	Guest ROLL CALL	Guest ROLL CALL

- Call to Order @ 6:07
- Approve [April](#) Minutes M1 - JM, M2 - SJ, all approved
- Moment of Gratitude **flowers during recovery**
- [Membership Directory](#)
- [Committee Assignments](#)
- [Committee Goals](#)
- Guest Updates (20 minutes)
 - Jim Arnold - Winter Classic
 - January 2027 - 35th anniversary of field/rink
 - Week in Milwaukee - rink managers, zamboni manufacturers, USA Hockey development, etc.
 - Katie Holmgren
 - Dan Jablonik
 - Workshops - edm, coaching, etc.
 - Still in the conversation/gathering information stage
 - Think Hockey Day in Minnesota
 - It's a community ask, expensive, but doing it for the right reasons
 - Rec center purchased outdoor boards from Waupaca
 - Have SWCYHA as a teammate on this
 - Reached out to DoH at SCSU who has a lot of experience - ready to help
 - Cory Portner - 32 North
 - Eagle River guys ready to come help
 - Visited with Incourage, very supportive
 - Visit with visit wis rapids - want to know what they can do to support
 - Next steps:
 - UWSP, USA Hockey
 - Still in idea phase, need to get it put together and presented to the Rec Board this summer
 - Community kick off on Wednesday (the first day), followed by WIAA game (hopefully)
 - If all goes - create a board of directors for the event, along with committees
 - Ask of SWCYHA? - security, ice prep, clean up crew, etc.
 - Could different high school groups also come in and help out?
 - Fundraiser for capital replacements - ie new boards

- Group UPDATES (15 minutes)
 - Rec Center
 - Ice Scheduling
 - Contract starts September 29th
 - Essentially have the same slots
 - T will lose a bit more this year starting November 11th
 - WIAA Girls have every ice every T 6:15-7:45
 - Practices on Sundays if there are no games? (9:00-3:00)
 - Compressor start up June 30th, July 3rd painting, July 13th first day of summer ice
 - Jim will send out a sign up genius when it gets closer
 - Director of Hockey
 - Not in attendance, no updates
- Exec. & Standing Committee Reports (15 minutes)
 - **Executive**
 - Put in a bid to host the Bantam state tournament in 2027 - February 27th
 - **Finance/Fundraising/Marketing**
 - Raise Right checks went out in the mail
 - In pretty good standing in money market
 - Decisions regarding face off raffle, etc. - should we angle it toward something specific
 - Reduce costs for families- how do we ensure money goes to *that*
 - **Membership**
 - Cultural Survey data - Amanda hopefully coming at 7 - see new business
 - Bantam Outlook - options if there isn't a team
 - Bantam meeting happened last weekend?
 - Looking at the list - kids who, in the past, have had disciplinary
 - How likely will this number stay this number?
 - If we have "just enough" would some families be leaving regardless of if we have a team or not and then a few kids leave and then there isn't enough for a team
 - What were the conditions 2 years ago when we didn't have a Bantam team?
 - 10-11 skaters and 1 goalie - goalie was unsure
 - Concerns from that year - player safety, skill level gaps
 - SJ will answer any questions, as he was liaison that year
 - Don't wait until July!
 - Coach at this level? Open it up to others
 - Still a non parent coach? - will need to raise more money for that
 - A few families' decisions will hinge on coaching
 - [Projections](#)
 - Teams at all levels
 - Squirts likely 3, with the potential of one being girls
 - Peewees likely two if all return
 - Bantam will have a team if all eligible return
 - Tim is liaison
 - **Program/Player Development**
 - Work with Caleb Scheoer - Head Coach LHS
 - DoH Recommendation?
 - Derek, one of Paul's RK assistants, expressed interest in learning more

- Old Business (5 minutes)
 - Camp Opportunity - vote on and get scheduled
 - Colin Helke camps
 - Do something similar to what we did last year
 - 2 day weekend camp right before beginning of season (last weekend in Sept if it works for Colin)
 - September 27 and October 4 (\$5,000 for one weekend last year)
 - Could we get ice later in the day?
 - Shoot for 2 weekends, we would fill it up and cover for our association players
 - Open it up to area associations that would pay us
 - If we can't get Colin for both weekends, check with Marcie K
 - Use it to generate interest for a full camp the following year
 - Get this booked ASAP after the camp for this year to have it set for next year
 - Secured Ice - Hazard Development - July 13 - August 7 (essentially a trial of a blaze league)
 - One day/week
 - Skills for every level
 - Cost \$100 or so
 - Kyle offering to do 4 goalie sessions - once per week
 - Start 6:00 or later on W, Th, or F
 - Legacy presentation on girls hockey on Wednesday
 - Hoping to have an answer early to mid June
 - Wellness tools based around girls hockey - ultimately comes through SWCYHA
 - Will need a work group if given the thumbs up
 - Positive coaching alliance workshops
 - Kids would participate in the different tools, etc.
 - Girls would pay for registration up front and then be reimbursed once expectations met
- New Business (15 minutes)
 - Handbook Review
 - Playing time verbiage
 - Equal to equitable
 - More on track with USA Hockey
 - Pivot point on equal, equitable, balanced
 - SL motions to use the word equitable, 2-WK, all in favor, motion carries
 - "Including but not limited to" type of bullet list
 - Using contextual factors from survey
 - "Gradual release" - equitable looks a bit different at each level
 - SL motions to have guidelines split at each level, 2-EM, 8-y, 1-n, motion carries
 - End of season, tournaments, etc.
 - SL motions to accept our playing policy as compiled tonight, 2-WK, all in favor, motion carries
- **CLOSED portion**
 - Liaison feedback form
 - Any voting matters
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- Next Meeting: June 16th @ 6 PM @ SWCRC
- Top Three Takeaways
 - 1. Potential to be involved in bringing an Outdoor Winter Classic to central Wisconsin
 - 2. Teams outlook, reviewing Bantam earlier, camps and development opportunities

- 3. Equitable playing time verbiage review and breakdown
- Adjourn @ 9:46

Agenda Item	Action	Responsible and Date
May blast - schedulers, etc.		Sarah
Ace invoice from Sportsmen's banquet	Reach out to Vaughn	Wes
Bantam level team	Bantam message	ASAP - Tim
Coaches - particularly Bantam	Call out for interest	
Power Edge Pro Camp	Reach out to Colin	Eric

“On the Bench”:...

- Put out an association wide email about being involved with the Winter Classic closer to season
- Face off raffle delegation
- Set expectations, as an association, for any non parent coach and DoH