



**Osseo Maple Grove Hockey Association
Meeting Minutes – July 20, 2025
8:00 pm via Zoom**

Voting Members

Colin Steen, Kellie Smyth, Brandon Erickson, Chad Hibbs, Nice Rice, Hailey Fischer-Anderlie, Janna Bross, Tina Reid, Aaron Tofte, Bryan Canfield, Troy Fodstad, Kyle Sletten, Cathy Cheatham, Andy Pierskalla, Vinnie Brooks

Non-Voting Members

Nicole Hurt-Hicks, Aaron Bulman, Tim Evanson, Brandon Wicklund, Matt Doucette, Nikki Schiele, Becky Thoreson, Angie Passehl, Jennifer Lundquist, Dave Margenau, Chris McLeod, Chris Docken, Chuck Sawicky, Kara Bjorngaard

Guests Present:

Meeting Called to Order

Kellie Smyth called meeting to order at 8:03.

Consent Business

- **Treasurer's Report – OMGHA Financial Update submitted by Chad Hibbs**
- **Charitable Gaming Report by Cathy Cheatham**

Approval of May, 2025 Actual Expenses:

Rent	
Duffy's	\$875.00
Malone's	\$8,296.45
Maple Tavern	\$21,812.31
Games	
Pull Tabs Plus	\$5,337.13
3 Diamonds	\$12,549.50
Pilot Games	\$35,867.67
Payroll and Related Taxes	\$37,000.50
MN Revenue Combined Tax	\$92,700.000

City of Maple Grove Tax (Malones)	\$2,325.00
City of Maple Grove (Maple Tavern)	\$3,169.00
City of Osseo Tax (Duffy's)	\$114.00
Amazon	\$119.32
Office Depot	\$380.08
CG Made Easy	\$659.00
File Depot	\$1,246.86

Donations Made:

OMGHA \$100,000

Approval of June, 2025 Actual Expenses:

Rent	
Duffy's	\$875.00
Malone's	\$10,062.72
Maple Tavern	\$20,215.40
Games	
Brainerd Games	\$13,499.11
3 Diamonds	\$12,747.72
Pilot Games	\$37,143.18
Payroll and Related Taxes	\$20,345.65
MN Revenue Combined Tax	\$93,196.00
City of Maple Grove Tax (Malones)	\$4,474.00
City of Maple Grove (Maple Tavern)	\$1,686.00
City of Osseo Tax (Duffy's)	\$555.00
Charitable Products	\$235.49
Amazon	\$236.77
Dollar Tree	\$13.63
USPS	\$9.35
State of MN	\$150.00
CG Made Easy	\$659.00
File Depot	\$1,225.81

Approval of July, 2025, Not to Exceed:

Rent	
Duffy's	\$875.00
Malone's	\$10,000.00
Maple Tavern	\$21,000.00
Games	\$70,000.00
Payroll and Related Taxes	\$22,000.00
MN Revenue Combined Tax	\$100,000.00
State of MN (Annual Fee)	\$1,050.00
City Country Ins (GM Bond)	\$100.00
Supplies	\$1,500.00
Merchandise Prizes	\$2,000.00
CG Made Easy	\$700.00
File Depot	\$1,700.00

● **Approval of 2025/2026 Budget**

Brandon Erickson moved to approve the 2025/2026 budget, Nick Rice second; approved.

● **Approval of May and June, 2025 Meeting Minutes**

Bryan Canfield moved to approve the May and June Consent Business, Nick Rice second; approved. Motion passes.

● **President's Report- report by Colin Steen**

- Established a role to focus on our 'back office' efficiencies and capabilities - Chris McLeod will lead this effort alongside the exec committee.
- Worked with D3 on team declarations, more to come in the weeks ahead.
- Toured MGCC 3rd arena with the Spiideo team re: an installation of a camera for the new rink.

● **District 3 Updates- report by Nick Rice**

- Ice scheduling meeting coming up on August 5th at PIC
- D3 wants to have cross association Mite Jamborees, ideally in January or February
- D3 is looking to fill a new position as "Mite Director"
- Machel needs approved board roster before she can approve team rosters
- Would we be interested in hosting the 2027 JG A, B and U16. D3 has been selected to host.
- Might be an opening for a D3 Girls Coordinator
- Work with Goalie coordinator for any concerns around level of play...Paul will approve waivers for Goalies only before tryouts

- **Secretary Updates- report by Kellie Smyth**
 - Met with Registrar to confirm all details ahead of 8/1 launch
 - Met with Ruth to discuss upcoming season and prepare for Travel Managers
 - Met with Nicole to discuss the Skate it Forward program
 - Please complete your USA Hockey Registration, Safesport training and background check by Sept 1. Once complete, please send all information to Emily Grossman (Emily.Grossman@target.com). We are not able to roster teams until our board roster is complete so please don't wait. Background checks are good for 2 years. Contact Backgrounds@omgha.com if you have any questions
 - Contact me to schedule rooms for meeting at the Community Center
 - Meeting with Experience Maple Grove on 7/25 as I will serve on the board as a representative for OMGHA

Hockey Updates

- **Boys Traveling – report by Jason Rogowski**
 - Tryout ice is booked
 - Team declarations were submitted and reviewed by D3
 - Team meeting again in August to finalize tryout details
- **Girls Traveling – report by Brandon Erickson**
 - Girls travel committee met 17 July to check in on team formation, registration estimates, and to continue tryout planning. Committee plans to meet again in August to continue tryout prep.
 - Members of the girls travel committee met with the Maple Grove and OPC high school head coaches on 15 July to discuss the upcoming season.
 - Tryout dates are in the final approval stages with the ice scheduler.
- **House Report – report by Hailey Fischer**

Recruiting Efforts

- Community Events
 - Great turn out for the Brooklyn Park Tator Days Parade on May 31st
 - Upcoming:
 - Maple Grove Days Parade – July 17th and Booth July 19th
 - Osseo Lions Roar – September 6th
- 2025-2026 Official House Theme - “Drop the Puck. Not the Vibe.”
 - Parade Shirts – ordered from Letterman and used at BP Parade
 - Yard Signs – ready to be put out early August
 - Early Registration Shirts – received design options from Letterman
- Elementary Open Houses
 - More details to come as we get closer to those dates
 - Water bottle stickers and candy

Try Hockey for Free

- THFF Coordinator – Sarah Nevin
- Jennifer is working on adding Facebook events and paid ads

- Upcoming Scheduled Dates
 - July 20, August 3, August 17, September 13 – National Event, September 22, October 7, October 19 – Girls Only, November 5
- Dates to schedule
 - USA Hockey THFF – March 6

Intro to Hockey

- Scheduled

HEP Evaluations

- Dates Scheduled – October 4th and 11th at Osseo West

OMGHA 3o3

- Scheduled

Meetings/Misc Events

- Girls Open House – options for location to host?
- New Parent Orientation (requested Ballroom 10/7)
- House Coaches Meeting (requested Ballroom 10/14)
- House Coaching Clinic (MGCC 10/14)
- Manager Meeting (requested Ballroom 10/20)

Director Roles

- Girls – Chris Docken
- Mini Mite/Mites – Dustin Fulton

Supermites – Andy Pierskalla

Storage Shed

- Shared with Nicole Hurt (equipment rentals)
- Potential stick drive

- **Skills and Development – report by Andy Hedlund**
 - More than halfway through 10,000 shot club, over 275,000 shots recorded, last year we had 500,000.
 - Close to end of D camp, one more night this week.
 - Solidifying fall camp ice times.
 - Continuing to work on ice schedule and will put out skills clinic information once that is finalized.
- **Diversity and Inclusion- report by Nicole Hurt**
 - Skate it forward (based on pay it forward movement) – 1 of 11 associations chosen for pilot year. A major part of this program is to communicate out the precarious nature and threat there is to community hockey in MN. Need to make sure the next generation of kids and play hockey. Will receive \$250 for every play 8 and under in Brooklyn Park.
 - Equipment drive in early September – location TBD, good opportunity to donate equipment to rental program.
- **Jr. Gold**
 - Ordered home jerseys
 - Looking at 4 teams this year, goalies will be in need.
 - Ice request for camp in October and tryouts in November.
 - Filled Junior tournament on Feb 6-8 with 12 teams in less than a day. Need to finalize the ice.

- **Tournaments**

- 3 of 6 tournaments are filled – PeeWee team and U15B and junior gold – people on waitlist for all tournaments.
- A few spots open for remaining tournaments and actively outreaching – nothing to worry about.
- Finalizing rules for all tournaments and submitting to D3. Working on all ice schedules for D3 in early September.
- New apparel vendor to sell at tournaments – should see some fun new apparel.
- Finalized partnership with TPI Hospitality that helps book hotel rooms for out-of-town attendees.

OMGHA Partner Updates

- High School Coaches
- Arena Managers
- Marketing / Sponsorships
 - Looking forward to kicking off a great season.
 - A few projects:
 - Unified logo
 - Database of photos
 - Kicking off mouthguards

Administrative Updates

- Volunteer Coordinators
 - Potential we may take over MGCC concessions.
 - Going to up DIBS hours this year by 1 hour – 15 hours for 1-player families and 21 hours for 2 player families.
 - If you want to buyout at registration it will be \$750, if you decide you want to buyout after registration it will be \$850.
- Registrars
- Equipment
- Election Committee
- Player Safety
- Grievances

Old Business

New Business

Nick Rice moved to adjourn the meeting; Kyle Sletten second; meeting adjourned at 8:41 pm.