

**Escanaba Area Junior Hockey Association**  
**Regular Monthly Meeting**  
**April 9, 2025**  
**HIT Concession Area**

- I. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order by President Trevor Sholten at 6:00pm
- II. Roll Call
  - a. Board Members –
    - i. Present: Trevor Sholten, Andy Wilson, David Spilling, Holly Seidenstucker, Amanda Knuth, Korinne Lamoreaux, Jennifer Blickham, Caley Corbett, Chris Korpi and Matt Hughes
    - ii. Not Present: Michelle Freel
  - b. General Membership – Nick Blankenheim, Josh Lancour, Jordy Maloney, Joe Knuth, Rachel Grenfell, Carly Vertz and Mike Lasecki.
- III. Approval of the Agenda – Motion made by Jennifer Blickham to approve the agenda, seconded by Korinne Lamoreaux. Motion carried.
- IV. Board Reports
  - a. Secretary’s Report – Minutes from the March 12<sup>th</sup> meeting presented as written. Motion made by Korinne Lamoreaux to approve the Secretary’s Report. Motion supported by Jennifer Blickham. Motion carried.
  - b. Treasurer’s Report – Make guidelines or set limits for next year’s year end parties.
  - c. Division Director's Report
    - i. IP (Maki/Blickham) – Looking for someone to take over next season.
    - ii. Mites (Open) – 4 head coaches volunteered and 7 assistant coaches.
    - iii. Squirts (Lanaville) – Girls need more room.
    - iv. PeeWees (Lasecki) – Nothing.
    - v. Bantams (Lasecki) – Nothing.
  - d. Standing Committee Reports
    - i. Complex (Fisher) – Nothing new.
    - ii. Sponsors (Vertz) – Nothing new.
    - iii. Coaches (Hughes) – student coaches need to have a USA hockey form and should not be scrimmaging with players.
    - iv. EAJHA Growth Coordinator (Blickham) – still needing season recaps from some coaches. Also looking for someone to take over next season.
    - v. Scheduling (Korpi) – Tournament cancelled for April 26-27, open ice times and DIBS need to be added for open skate.
    - vi. Concession (Corbett) – Need the new permit. Looking to fill open skate slots.

- vii. Equipment (Lamoreaux) –Looking for goalie sticks for Mites, found a quick-change set of goalie pads, probably still need one small size of goalie equipment. Most jersey’s back, going to assess the amount we have for each size.
    - viii. Fundraising (Vertz) – Should we look into fundraising for the ice repair?
    - ix. Referees (Johnson) – Covered below.
    - x. Sportsmanship & Behavior (Knuth) – Nothing new.
    - xi. Safe Sport (Hughes) – Nothing new.
    - xii. Registration (Freel) – Keeping an eye out for the email.
    - xiii. Tournaments (Lamoreaux) – Nothing new. People asking for a 3 on 3 tournament in the spring or fall.
  - e. CUP Report – Meeting on 4/12 at 9am
  - f. NIHL Report – Nothing new.
- V. Correspondence
  - a. Email – None.
    - i. Mite move-up to Squirt – Mason Hayes and Sawyer Leckson– tabled until we get the numbers for next year.
  - b. Mail – Return to sender, lottery tax form and State Sales Tax Levy.
- VI. Action Items Follow Up
  - a. Michelle/Amanda – look out for the email around May 1<sup>st</sup>, must respond yes or account will be locked out.
  - b. If you are not paid for opting out or missing DIBS for first half by spring ice, you are not able to participate in spring ice.
  - c. Coaches meeting - do we continue with AA teams or go back to two house teams?
    - i. Bantam’s want the option for AA team, will need more players from outside the association to make it work. PeeWee’s would also like to continue with AA. Squirts are not sure if there are enough players for AA team.
  - d. PeeWee Tournament check reimbursement. Done.
  - e. Figure out how to get Michelle off Facebook. Still not sure how.
  - f. Coach’s season recap due to Jen. Still missing a few.
  - g. Nicole will get new envelopes and labels for the concession stand. Done.
  - h. New NIL rep – recruit AA coach once they are selected
  - i. Add Nick Blankenheim to Sport Engine so he can start seeing how it all works and responding to requests. Done.

- VII. Old Business
  - a. Grants – On hold
    - i. Community Facilities Direct Loan & Grant Program – Rural Development – UPARR
    - ii. Land and Water Conservation Fund – Ironwood used this grant
    - iii. USA Hockey Foundation Grant – includes brick and mortar projects
      - 1. Looking for people who have experience applying for grants. Possible Caley’s mom could help.
  - b. Returning out of association players – players would like to come back even if they do not make the AA team. Tabled until we get our numbers for next year.
  - c. AA coach requests – start requesting coach’s applications. Due by next board meeting.
- VIII. New Business
  - a. Coach USA Hockey fee reimbursement – procedure to get – keep the same
  - b. Equipment return date/procedure – text Korinne when items are turned in and left in the office. Make sure to write the player’s name and what team they were on and put it in the bag.
  - c. Donation amount for Enhance Esky ODR Fundraiser – We made \$145 and will give a \$150 donation.
  - d. Official Fees – review amounts we pay to see if they are competitive with the area. Overtime pay if having to cover more than 2 games per day. Reimbursement of USA Hockey Fee if they ref a certain number of games. Post on Facebook about needing referees with the link to USA Hockey with the details.
- IX. Public Comments/Concerns of the General Membership – None.
- X. Action Items –
  - a. Coaches turn in season recaps to Jennifer.
  - b. AA Coach applications due by May 14<sup>th</sup>.
  - c. David to send \$150 donation to Enhance Escanaba.
  - d. Andy contacting Meier’s Sign about the new sign for Bantam State Champions.
  - e. Add amount to the Ben Otradovec Memorial Scholarship in the Bylaws.
- XI. Next Meeting – May 14, 2025, at 6:00pm in the HIT Concessions Area
- XII. Adjourn – The meeting was motioned to adjourn by Korinne Lamoreaux and supported by Jennifer Blickham. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 7:06.