

Black River Youth Hockey Association

Annual Meeting- Minutes

March 19, 2025

Call to Order The Annual Meeting was called to order by Cliff at 6:30 PM.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

- *Annual Meeting 2024:* The minutes were reviewed.
- *February Meeting Minutes:* Jesse motioned for approval. Dan seconded the motion. All were in favor, and the motion was carried.

Reports

President's Report The President expressed gratitude to the association for attending despite the challenges posed by the weather. Appreciation was extended to all Team Board Representatives for their time and effort over the past year. Special recognition was given to the parent representatives for their outstanding performance and their ability to navigate various challenges. It was noted that there were frustrations with the Referee Coordinator due to certain factors, but these issues are expected to be addressed and alleviated in the coming year.

Treasurer's Report Kate was absent from the meeting. No formal report was given aside from Jill's balance sheet and profit and loss sheet.

Questions were raised regarding the balance sheet and profit and loss sheet:

- The "Miscellaneous Fundraising Income" line was clarified to represent funds raised through Pizza and Blankets sales as well as Wilds ticket fundraising.
- For "Miscellaneous Fundraising Expenses," there were two significant items whose specifics remain uncertain.

It was noted that the Board had limited time to review the reports, as they were sent late unexpectedly. A more detailed breakdown of these items can be prepared and provided in the future.

Jared O. motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report. Stacy seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously

Tournament Report The tournaments were a success this year, with events held for each level, including both A and B brackets. Tournament profits exceeded \$13,000.

Fundraiser Report

- The Gun Banquet and Golf Outing will be held on the same day, May 10th. Tickets are currently available at the rink and can be picked up as needed.
- The Pizza Fundraiser generated \$3,000 in profit during its first year.
- The blanket fundraiser was a success. Larger blankets sold out immediately, while smaller blankets are still on available for purchase.
- A reminder was made for all members to sign up for work hours, as a full team effort will be needed to ensure the event runs smoothly and efficiently.

Election of Board Members The following positions were open for nominations and elections:

- President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Tournament Director
- Fundraising Chair

President Elect

- Nominations:
 - Nate Babcock was nominated by Bethany Hale.
 - Daniel Lamp was nominated by Emily Stanton.
- The President called for additional nominations three times.
- A silent ballot was held, resulting in the election of Nathan Babcock as President Elect for the 2025-2026 season.

Secretary

- Nominations:
 - Stacy Brown was nominated by Libby O'Neill.
 - Bethany Hale was nominated by Dan McCollough.
- Nominations were closed after three calls for additional nominations.
- Secretary for the 2025-2026 season: Bethany Hale.

Treasurer

- Nominations:
 - Katie Olson was nominated by Lisa McCollough.

- Kate Peterson was nominated by Libby O'Neill.
- Nominations were closed after three calls for additional nominations.
- Treasurer for the 2025-2026 season: Katie Olson.

Tournament Director

- Nominations:
 - Dan McCollough was nominated by Nate Babcock.
- Jared O. cast a unanimous ballot for Dan McCollough as Tournament Director.
- Jesse seconded the motion.
- Tournament Director for the 2025-2026 season: Dan McCollough.

Fundraising Coordinator

- Nominations:
 - Jesse Elmhorst was nominated by Jackie Finck.
 - Reyna R. was nominated by Emma Karls.
- Fundraising Coordinator for the 2025-2026 season: Jesse Elmhorst.

Election of Board Level Team Representative

Riley E nominates by Matt K as Mite Level Rep. Jared O cast unanimous ballot for cub level rep. Jesse seconds. All in favor, motion carried.

Dan L nominates Matt K as Squirt Level Rep. Jared O cast unanimous ballot for Squirt level rep. Jesse seconds. All in favor, motion carried.

Lisa McCollough nominates Christina King as Peewee Level Rep. Jared O cast unanimous ballot for Peewee level rep. Jesse seconds. All in favor, motion carried.

Katie Olson nominates Jenny D as Bantam Level Rep. Jared O cast unanimous ballot for Bantam level rep. Jesse seconds. All in favor, motion carried.

Katie Olson nominates Jessica Bush, Christina King nominates Lisa McCollough, Emily Stanton nominates Austin Janowski for girl level reps. Two positions available. Silent ballot was casted.

1. Jessica Bush as girl level rep
2. Lisa McCollough as girl level rep

Level Report

Bantam Level Rep Report Ashley shared that the team had an overall successful season. Despite being a larger team, they demonstrated strong collaboration and found effective ways to work together.

Peewee Level Rep Report Jenny reported that the team had an overall good year. With one large team, their biggest success was coming together, fostering teamwork, and genuinely enjoying their time together.

Squirt Level Rep Report The Squirt level had an overall good year, with the Squirt B team achieving particularly strong results. It was announced that Spring Camp for the Squirt level will begin next week.

Mites Level Rep Report This year, the combined total for Learn to Skate and Mites was 49 skaters. Efforts are underway to recruit more younger skaters to support the growth of the association. The team participated in eight Jamborees, including hosting a Home Jamboree that welcomed 11 associations and 450 skaters. A total of 34 kids have signed up for the Spring Camp. Gratitude was extended to the coaches and assistant coaches for their contributions to making the year a success.

Girls Level Rep Report The 14U team, though young, demonstrated strong teamwork and showed significant progress throughout the season as they continued to learn and grow. The first Girls tournament was a success, receiving numerous compliments from other associations.

Discussion: New Zamboni left California Monday morning should be arriving within the next few weeks.

Adjournment Jared O. motioned to adjourn the annual meeting on March 19th at 7:20 PM. Jesse seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.