2025-2026 Cottage Grove Hockey Association
CGHA Board Meeting

November 3, 2025 – Cottage Grove Ice Arena

Board Members (X = Present):

President: Dan Olson	x	Bantam Director: Alex Rettof	x	Girls Program Director: Tyson Terry	
Vice Pres. Ops: Dave O'Brien	x	Peewee Director: Chris Westphall	x	Girls 10U Director: Nicole Gilman	x
Vice Pres. Admin: Brian Buffie		Squirt Director: Chris Johnson	x	Girls 8U Director: Chris Kubesh	x
Registrar: Tom Wassmund	x	Mite Director: Zach Paulson	x	Junior Gold Director: Chad Rediske	x
Budget Director: Tom Johnson		Mini Mite Director: Tylor Kendle	x	Hockey Director: Nick Harris	x

Non-voting (X = Present):

Communications: Sharon Kortus	x	Fundraising: Andrea Erickson	x	Tournaments: Abigail Polson	x
D8 Liaison: Jake Benson		Ice Manager: Matt McMorrow	x	Mite Equipment: Nicole Tvedt	x
Apparel Manager: Ronda Ellevold	x	HockeyFest: Shauna Paulson	x	Volunteer/Dibs: Linnea Gamache	x
Webmaster: Andrea Harms	x	Recruiting: Shauna Paulsom		Tryout Committee/ Katie Dalzell	

Player/Coach Development Coordinator:Dan Ohlman	

Meeting Start:

- Meeting called to order at 7:03pm

Approve Previous Month's Meeting Minutes

- Motion by: Chad Rediske
- Second by: Dave O'Brien
- All Approved

Committee Reports:

- Recruiting (Shauna Paulson):
  - Nothing
- HockeyFest / Jamboree(s) (Shauna Paulson*)*):
  - Mite Jamboree schedule is just about done. Just put in request for Goldy, advanced working on store
  - HockeyFest we are starting to dive into.
- Goalies (Brian Buffie):
  - Nothing to report.
- Equipment (Nicole Tvedt):

    - The equipment room is empty, going to put in another order. Out of bags and helmets.
    - Let's see if numbers are going up to see if we need to be ordering more and increasing volume. Does the budget need to go up?
    - It would help if equipment is being exchanged or used that Nicole knows so it can be accounted for.
- Fundraising (Andrea Erickson):
    - Calendars are just about to be printed and should be done in 2 weeks. 6200 calendars ordered.
- Ice Manager (Matt McMorrow):
    - Our district decided 15 A's are in district 2, so figuring out ice time because they need 90 minutes.
    - Talked to the rink, possibly building an outdoor cover rink.
    - The November schedule is out and December is being worked on.
- Tournaments (*Abigail Polson)*:
    - Full for the Turkey tournament.
    - Looking good for the rest of the year.
- Volunteer / Dibs (Linnea Gamache):
    - Turkey Tourney DIBS have filled up quickly-only a few spots left
    - There have been several emails about the required hours for DIBS 7or 8. They see 7 hours when they log into their DIBS account. It is 7 hours.
    - Are we giving board members of other boards their Dibs? Yes for voting board members.
- Communications (Sharon Kortus):
    - Please make sure if you are not going to be at a meeting and have something for the agenda, to send me an email with your notes so I can put them in the minutes.(Send it to me even if you sent it to someone else.)
    - If you need an email sent out please send it to my email. If it is sent in Group Me it sometimes gets lost with all the different conversations.
- Apparel Manager (Ronda Ellevold):
    - It has been a struggle with Advanced Sportswear. Lots of errors and reprints, also in the fan store.

- Tryout Committee (Katie Dalzell):
    - Nothing to report

- Player/Coach Development Coordinator (Dan Ohlman):
    - Sending weekly and biweekly things out to the coaches.
    - Teams are working together.
    - Just getting coaches to understand how to use the ice.
    - We will be up here a lot to help out

- Webmaster (Andrea Harms):
    - Nothing to report.

- District 8 Rep (Jake Benson):
    - District 8 meeting, all district games are posted.
    - Spring HP planning has begun.
    - Try to form a 19U team. Looking to Co Op with a few associations.
    - If requesting a ref, they need proper notification, give them a couple days
    - There are 2 carbon copy score books to use if Game sheet and Ipads. If you use the carbon copy please return to the office.
    - Would like everyone to use Shot on goal.
    - Still looking for District hosts.
    - Teams, if players are ruled out for a concussion, they have to get medical clearance.
    - Next meeting in January.

Board Member Reports:

- Registrar/Administrator (Tom Wassmund):
    - 730 kids registered, lost 7 girls to high school hockey.
    - All teams are rostered.
    - Several coaches are still not registered.
    - CEP report updated this morning. Please check your coaches to make sure everything is done. Coaches can not be rostered until then.
    - If you have a problem with the Game sheet send me an email. Tom can fix it.
    - Still need about 60 birth certificates.
- Budget Director (Tom Johnson):
    - Sent out the budget that needs to be approved.
    - There were increased fees in equipment, ice and costs.
    - Deficit balance of $66,395
    - Motion to approve budget. Deficit of $66, 935 by Tom Johnsoon and 2nd by Dave O'Brien. All approved
- Junior Gold Director (Chad Rediske):
    - 4 hour Dibs if only a Junior Gold player. If they have another family member playing association it will still be 7 hours.
    - 16 players and families have come to the meetings. High school try outs start on November 10th so we will get more next week.
    - Still thinking we will have about 30 players or so.
- Bantam Director (Alex Rettof):
    - Just dealing with tournaments and refunds.
- Peewee Director (Chris Westphall):
    - All teams are doing well.
- Squirt Director (Chris Johnson):

    - Things are going well. A couple jersey issues.
    - Tournaments worked out.
- Mite Director (Zach Paulson):
    - Teams are up and running. Things went smoothly.
    - A box of socks went missing.
- Mini Mite Director (Tylor Kendle):
    - We are on the ice. Things are going really well. Kids are learning quickly how to skate.
    - The meeting went well with about 100 people.
    - Will host a 5U meeting this week.
    - Let people know about the gear rental early.
    - On Ice helpers are not allowed on the ice unless registered as a volunteer and older than 13 and rostered to their team.
    - Started reaching out to previous directors to see what worked and didn't work and will put it down for future directors of this level.
- Girls Program Director (Tyson Terry):
    - Girls HS team formed. We lost 6 A players, 1 B player. Payments have been stopped for those families and working on getting refunds to players who are leaving. I would like to propose for next year that we streamline the process and will be determining what that looks like before registration opens next year. Possibly holding off on forming teams until after high school tryouts. Finalizing a "refund" structure that is black and white with girl dollars agreed to at registration. We are one of a small number of associations that actually refund players after they make a HS team. Does that need to change?
    - Teams and coaches are finalized, tournaments are finalized with 3 teams playing their first tournament this weekend (Blaine).
    - All CEP issues should be cleared up. Working with coaches to be sure to get CEP/continuing Ed. booked and completed ASAP and not wait til December.
- Girls Program 8U Director (Chris Kubesh):
    - Evaluations done and all started.
    - Working with coaches to have plans.
- Girls Program 10U Director (Nicole Gilman):
    - Doing really well.
    - B1 wants to opt out of districts. Can't see where to opt out.
    - One of the coaches at 10U level wants to do Bronze level goalie USA hockey education.
- Hockey Director (Nick Harris):
    - Mite and mini-mite practices make sure we are utilizing the ice and keep kids moving.
    - Hudl and Instat is good for now.
- Vice President of Administration (Brian Buffie):
    - Nothing to report.

- Vice President of Operation (Dave O'Brien):
    - Covering entrance fees to high school games.
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- President (Dan Olson):
    - There was an injury during try outs. The family was upset that the kid was hurt in the locker room alone with try outs being closed to parents. We will need to make a plan for next year.

New Business:

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General Membership Concerns / Discussion:

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Adjournment:

- Meeting adjourned at:
    - Motion by: Chris Westphall
    - Second by: Chris Kuebesh
    - All Approved