

# MITCHELL SKATING & HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

## Board of Directors Meeting Minutes – July 2025

Tuesday July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025 – 6:30 pm – Bradley’s Meeting Room



### Attendance:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Darcy Sabers (Pres) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Josh Gebhart (VP)           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dustin Warnke |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nick Lemke          | <input type="checkbox"/> Megan Sabers                           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Phil Lee      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nichole Bussmus                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AJ Bauer – left @ 8:55 p.m. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bri Prickett  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jen Zens            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jennifer Maeschen           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nick Backlund |

**Guests:**  Lori Goldammer (Treasurer)  Kris Polreis (Coaching Director)  Mark Zens (SDAHA Rep), Levi Loken

**Quorum Met:** Yes

- Meeting was called to order at 6:34 pm by President Darcy.
- 00. Motion to approve the agenda with an amendment to new business regarding amending the May 2025 minutes related to the VP’s full name and updates to the signature card related to change in VP by Josh, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jen Z. Motion carried all voted aye.
- 01. Motion to approve previous meeting minutes for June 2025 with clarification of adding verbiage of Ashley Zimmer to the girls’ booster club signature card by Nick L., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Josh. Motion carried all voted aye.
- 02. Public Input – None.

### 03. President’s Report (Darcy)

- Welcome Fest at DWU on Sept 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025.
- Darcy signed us up and it can be a combo of Marlins with Lucky Devils men’s league to hopefully recruit college-aged volunteers or men’s league players.
- Information about current SDAHA board members was sent to board members for awareness.
- Darcy recently got the list of people who need SafeSport and background checks done and updated; she will notify the individuals to complete.

### 04. Treasurer’s Report (Lori) (not present)

- Motion to approve the June Financials Report by Dusty, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil. Motion carried, all voted aye.

### 05. SDAHA Delegate Report (Mark Z)

- Boys’ varsity tournament bid went to SF vs. Watertown.
- JV state tournament host had not been determined yet.
- Mitchell will host the Girls’ varsity tournament. A planning meeting was held on 7/7/25.
- SDAHA sent out an update regarding bylaws and kids playing out of state and how that relates to keeping them as SD registered players.
  - SF been most affected with that with kids playing on travel teams based out of NC.
- Northern Plains district meeting will be Sept 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> in Deadwood at Cadillac Jacks.
  - In the past the association has paid for Mark’s room due to him being the SDAHA delegate.
  - Mark planning on going and welcomed board members or others attend as well.
- Fall SDAHA meeting is planned for September 20<sup>th</sup> in Watertown.

### 06. Old Business

- Tabled from last meetings was the governance committee.
  - Need to review the handbook, code of conducts, etc. Planning for a small group to review those items for potential revisions.

### 07. New Business:

- DIBS meeting with Programs committee.
  - Need to get a meeting date scheduled and get involvement of the board for approval.

- Pre-season survey questions were sent in email to the board prior to the meeting. Goal to send out as an anonymous association-wide survey.
- A list of unregistered returning players was given to the board ahead of meeting for awareness.
- Sponsorship options & amounts were discussed. The form and website review/updates is in progress.
  - Discussed looking at potential changes in rates. Nick L. is working on a draft proposal for the advertising and where it's located to help identify a solid process and tracking of sponsorships.
  - Hoping to identify on-ice sponsors now before ice goes in. Discussed held on prices and additional options for that.
  - Discussion regarding sponsorship options and amounts are tabled pending further information to be reviewed.
- Amend May board minutes to remove Ben Grenier from signature card at Cortrust bank and replace with Josh Gebhart as the new VP.

### Committee Reports:

- 08. Buildings Committee (Phil)
  - Reviewed committee minutes.
  - Planning to add a few more members to the building committee to assist. Potentially Drake Hamlin, Bill Wyatt, and Nate Maeschen.
  - Committee to check on keypads with the locker room doors vs. current lock system.
  - Discussed replacing the net above the west end of the Toshiba rink since not doing the flooring project. Testing of the flooring identified the product would not work effectively.
- 09. Coaching Committee
  - Now part of the Hockey Development Committee (HDC)
    - Darcy has received some emails with interest from individuals for the different roles on the HDC.
- 10. Culture Committee
  - Reviewed committee minutes. No board action items.
- 11. Executive Committee (Darcy)
  - No report.
- 12. Financial Development
  - Meeting scheduled for the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of the month.
- 13. Programs Committee (Nichole) (not present)
  - July meeting was cancelled, no minutes to review.
- 14. Governance Committee (Eric) (not present)
  - Tabled from June meeting was needing a new board chair which will be Darcy.
  - Need to hold a meeting to start review of the handbook and policies to confirm compliance before start of next season.
    - Jen Z., Nick B., and Bri P. volunteered to review.
- 15. Executive Session
  - At 7:40 p.m., the board entered executive session.
  - At 8:50 p.m., the board exited executive session, no action taken.

### Information/Discussion

- Roller skating event. Discussed cost of event insurance would be \$175 for an event or could it run under the city like open skate.
- Darcy will send out the HDC interested individuals to the board for review and selection for each role.
- August Board meeting is planned for 8/12/25 at 6:30 p.m. in Bradley's meeting room.
- Motion to adjourn at 9:03 p.m. by Dusty, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Josh. Motion carried, all voted aye.