



# EPHA Hockey Development Committee

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September 16, 2025

**Present:** Jessica Kiecker, Ryan Richards, Aric Day, Maria Waltman, Lincoln Nguyen, Dani Benson, Joe Bianchi, Jason Blake, Joe Krmpotich, Steve Persian

**Absent:** Mike Sarazine, Maria Waltman

Call to order: 9/16/25 @ 7:05 Eagles Nest

## Notes

- Preseason Clinics Plan:
  - Have started. Plans used that align with the concepts/skills we have agreed on for the levels in development model
  - For Squirts transition to organization under teams for a remainder of the pre-season extended practices
- Tryout drills review:
  - Finalized the Bantam and Peewee Drills
    - Agility/Skating
    - 1-on-1 tip/screen
    - Across ice 3-on-3
    - Zone 2-on-2
- Leveling & Team size decisions: Utilization of pre-season clinics. Those not fully defined with use tryouts to further provide talent analysis data.
  - Squirts: 6 teams- A, B1, 3- B2, C
  - Peewees: 5 teams- AA, B1, 2-B2, C
  - Bantam: 4 teams- AA, B1, B2, C or AA, B1, 2-B2
  - 15U: Partnership with Bloomington. All options on the table as it is a numbers game pending high schools tryouts outcomes.
  - 12U: Partnership with Bloomington, only option. EP players able to tryout for the A/B1 teams at Bloomington
  - 10U: B1 and B2 or B1 and 2-B2 (3 teams is able to get to 34-36 skaters)
- Player Development Framework
  - Modifications made to concepts and habits, will have final version to use by next meeting
  - Leads to work on drills samples with goals of connecting with coaches at each level a minimum 1x per a month
  - Will present the Development Framework to coaches at the Coaches meeting on 10/12

## Action items

- Tryout drills for Squirts/10U
- Final team leveling for Bantams



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