

Wayzata Youth Hockey Association
Board Meeting
7 April 2026

Present: Michelle Ugurlu, Ben Norton, Tia Senenfelder, Greg Gibson, Ryan Foltz, Miles Death, Ben Olson, Tim Jewell, Becky Draper, Anne Phaneuf, Chris Harrington, Lindsey Emery, Mike Grossman, Alan Gaffaney.

Secretary's Report: Anne Phaneuf

Request to approve March 2026 meeting minutes. MGrossman made a motion to approve; RFoltz seconded. Minutes approved.

President's Report: Michelle Ugurlu

- Discussed ideas for using unused ice. MGrossman summarized differences between USA Hockey and other policies in terms of insurance and coverage. We need rostered lists of participants on the ice at all times because then it is a sanctioned event, and we need coverage. This would help in situations where we might have an older player helping out on the ice with a younger team. One of the options would cost around \$7,500, which is not incidental when broken down by kids in the association. MUgurlu added if we have practices and scrimmages that need mentor players, we would need to roster them. Players could be double rostered in this capacity because it is a flex roster. Most of what we do will be covered by USA Hockey, but extra coverage would provide protection.
- Board Elections: Gina Carbo is not running again. Ryan Foltz will be back again - congrats! 280 members have voted so far. Voting closes on Friday, April 10th. MUgurlu will let people know either way after voting closes.
- Current Board members: if you have an association email, please only use this for association related things and clean it up.
- Executive Board Elections:
 - VP Girls Hockey: Becky Draper.
 - BNorton motioned to approve; MGrossman seconded. Motion carried.
 - VP Administration: Michelle Ugurlu.
 - BOlson motioned to approve; BNorton seconded. Motion carried.
 - VP Travel: Ryan Foltz.
 - AGaffaney motioned to approve; MGrossman seconded. Motion carried.
 - President: Ben Olson.
 - BNorton motioned to approve; LEmery seconded. Motion carried.
- Contracts:
 - Registrar- Sarah Cook received a raise last year with the change to Crossbar. That contract will remain for this year.
 - Director of Hockey Operations- Miles Death's contract was updated to reflect that he meets with every team during the season. Also will include reporting back to the Board

on a scheduled basis. The Hockey Development Committee will also work with the director as well.

- Membership and Operations- Tia Senenfelder's role can be more focused this coming year. Her contract is updated to reflect working more with sponsorships and strategic planning of the association. Her hours reflect that she did much more for us this past year, and her pay increase for next year will reflect this. This title will be changed to Program Director.
- Scheduling will move to Level Coordinators.
- Josh Jensen's contract was up on April 1, 2026. Before Josh was the tournament director, there were volunteer positions to accomplish this work. Now, there will be a Tournament Director and a Tournament Scheduler, ultimately breaking the contract into two. The previous salary will be split between the two. We have two people interested in these positions. MUGurlu requested the Board to look over the contracts so that we can approve them soon.

Charitable Gambling: (Tom Hewitt)

- Request to approve the following:
 - Expenses and taxes for May 2026: \$197,000
 - Reporting monthly results to the Board
 - Pay City of Medina taxes for March 2026: \$2,450.21
 - Pay City of Plymouth Q1 2026 taxes: \$15,959.98
 - Donation of \$200,000 to the City of Plymouth PIC
 - RFoltz motioned to approve; BDraper seconded. All approved.

Treasurer: Tim Jewell

We can bill parents for the association assessments through Crossbar. Other associations do this. It would keep a lot of incoming funds controlled and there would be less of a chance for any issues with collection. TJewell met with SCook to discuss, and it would be an option for us. Discussion revealed all of the benefits this option would provide, as opposed to parents using Venmo for all team transactions.

Director of Hockey Operations: Miles Death

- Survey results: overall rating 3.2/4 for our travel program. Over 80% agreed with the tryout placement. Mite surveys overall rating 3.5/4 with only 2 responders out of 75 rating a "poor" experience. 74% agreed with the 4, 4, 4 team structure for advanced mites.
- Held exit interviews with paid coaches and those went well.
- Held the first meeting with the Hockey Development Committee to set the calendar. The next meeting will include discussion on team leveling. Also will discuss dryland and paid coaches.
- Request to approve spending \$4,016.25 (approximately \$85 per team) to renew the Coaches Site membership. MGrossman motioned to approve; BOlson seconded. Motion approved.
- Coach of the year winners: Erik Wendell, Case Paxton, Brandon Able, Matt Steinmetz, Anna Schmidt, Sarah Jackson, Mike Roberts, Joe Pope, Yelena Kibasova
 - Will present plaques to winners and also publish all nominees to the association.

Membership and Operations: Tia Senenfelder

- Functional roles: cleaned up the roles and emails. Please look over and let Tia and Michelle know about updates before Flex Board Roster is due.
- BNorton and BOlson met with TMedia and we are ready to sign contract.
- Collecting on Volunteer hours.
- T-shirts handed out to celebrate the girls teams at Regions.

D3: Ben Norton

Get all tournaments that we are hosting by May 1st to D3, otherwise we will be fined.

BNorton motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:17 p.m. Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting is on Monday, May 4th.