



Camillus Youth Hockey Association

Board Meeting Minutes

WAVES Ambulance Station – Camillus, NY

July 16, 2026 | 6:30pm

Attendance / Quorum

Present: M. Craner (President), Matt Liadka (Vice President), C. Sandford (Secretary)

N. Bucktooth, N. Cormier, J. Leubner, S. Mercurio, M. Rapple, J. Weaver

Virtual: J. Heron (Treasurer), R. Thompson, E. Binns, J. Moulton

Scheduler: Steph Murphy

Quorum: Established.

1. Ice Scheduling / Upcoming Ice Meeting

- Steph Murphy reviewed preparations for the July 30 ice meeting and requested direction from the Board regarding event dates and team-specific ice needs.
- The Board discussed reserving ice for the Mite Tournament, tentatively following the prior-year pattern of January 8-10, and agreed that CHA should again apply to host a JAM if awarded one.
- Travel 3v3 and Snowbelt 3v3 ice will be planned consistent with prior seasons.
- Steph requested a team-by-team list identifying required ice, preferred ice, practice-sharing expectations, and scheduling parameters. The Board agreed that consolidated direction would be provided rather than piecemeal requests.
- Projected Mite numbers were described as similar to the prior season, with teams expected to be at or near capacity. Scheduling will need to account for the number of teams sharing practice ice and the need for outside ice slots.
- Steph will continue finalizing preseason ice while the Board develops the regular-season scheduling parameters.

2. Approval of June 2026 Meeting Minutes

- Approval of the June 2026 meeting minutes were tabled for July meeting; for completion by Secretary.

3. Treasurer's Report

- The July financial report was reviewed and presented.

Financial report is available to organization members upon request

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Motion: Nicole Cormier made motion to accept July's Treasurer's Report

Second: Jess Weaver

Vote: Unanimous

Motion: Passed

4. Tabled Items

- Registration dates and costs, previously tabled, were moved to New Business for discussion later in the meeting.

5. Old Business

PeeWee and Bantam Snowbelt Team Updates

- The Bantam Select tentative roster was issued after one player elected to join another organization. The anticipated roster was 18 skaters and two goalies. Coach Drew Bucktooth was consulted regarding the larger roster.
- The PeeWee House/Snowbelt group faced a similar numbers issue after evaluations, with several players leaving CHA or registering elsewhere. The Board discussed operating one larger team rather than attempting to create two undersized teams.
- The Board expressed concern about relying on out-of-district additions to create a second team based on prior experience and discussed sending direct registration links to players already identified for select teams once rates were finalized.

Fundraising

- A potential golf tournament at West Hill was discussed. Information received indicated an approximate cost of \$40 per golfer, capacity of up to 92 golfers, and a \$100 shotgun-start/course-closure fee or deposit, subject to confirmation.
- Food options would need additional planning, particularly for dates after October; donated or catered food was discussed.
- No vote was taken on the golf tournament. Additional information will be circulated and potential food donations explored.
- Restaurant fundraising nights, including Chipotle and Panera, were also discussed as easy-to-administer fundraising options during the hockey season.

Girls Program Ice Arrangements

- Girls program ice arrangements remained unsettled. The Board discussed developing a team-by-team list of ice needs for scheduling.
- A possible 10U girls travel option elsewhere and related player/coach decisions created additional uncertainty, so the matter remained in progress.

6. New Business

Meeting with Eric Bacon

- Matt reported meeting with Eric Bacon on June 30. Matters relating to discipline were reserved for executive session.
- Eric reiterated his support for CYHA and willingness to assist the organization as issues arise.

Jerseys / Apparel Store

- The Board discussed opening a preseason apparel store so established teams could order rink suits, shells, socks, practice jerseys, and other needed items before the season.
- A new Victory two-jersey sublimated option was discussed as a lighter and potentially less expensive future alternative to the current Champro reversible jersey.
- Because of timing and the recent jersey change, the Board leaned toward keeping the current Champro jersey for the 2026-27 season while reviewing samples and considering a broader uniform change for a future season.
- The apparel vendor may be able to keep the store open year-round with direct-to-home shipping for much of the catalog and may offer a rebate based on sales.
- The immediate plan was to move forward with the apparel store, notify travel coaches about rink-suit availability, and include shells and socks as needed.

Player Development Clinics

- The Board reviewed the proposed early-season development clinics and scheduling with the Town of Camillus. The plan was designed so clinics would not reduce regular team practice opportunities; alternate ice would be used as needed.
- The proposed fee was \$110 per player for six early-season clinic sessions for the 10U, 12U, and 14U groups.
- The 12U girls program was discussed separately because many players are out of district and also have access to other development sessions. Optional participation for eligible girls was discussed.
- The Board had an extended discussion regarding whether the clinic fee should be mandatory, attendance concerns, the value of the program, competitive offerings from other organizations, and the overall registration fee structure.

2026-27 Registration Fees / Dual Rostering

- The Board discussed a proposed \$135 increase for 10U, 12U, and 14U, which would include the \$110 clinic cost plus a \$25 organizational cushion.
- Potential increases for 16U, 18U, split-season players, and dual-rostered players were discussed, but questions remained about how to avoid double-charging players who participate on more than one CHA roster.
- The motion was amended to remove the 16U and 18U increases and to address those divisions and dual-roster situations at a future meeting after additional research.

Motion: Matt Craner moved to set the 2026-27 registration fee for 10U, 12U, and 14U at \$700 for the season, including \$110 for six early-season development clinics.

Second: Jason Heron

Vote: 10-2. No abstentions were recorded

Motion: Passed

2026-27 Budget

- Jason advised that finalizing registration rates would allow him to complete the 2026-27 budget. The budget will be finalized for a future meeting.

Central Section / Summer Hockey Updates

- Matt reported on a June 29 meeting with Kirk Avery regarding Central Section annual-meeting updates. No changes discussed were considered especially impactful to CYHA.
- The Board also discussed enrollment in the West Genesee/Town of Camillus summer hockey program. Participation remained uneven across age groups, with several divisions below capacity.
- Division Director reports were deferred until the regular season when there would be more active division business.

7. Open Forum

No open forum discussion

8. Executive Session

Motion: With no additional Open Forum items, Jess Weaver made a motion to enter Executive Session.

Second: Niki Bucktooth.

Vote: Unanimous

Motion: Passed

9. Adjournment

Public meeting adjourned Approximately 7:40pm and moved into executive session