



**St. Francis Youth Hockey Association  
Monthly Meeting Minutes**

**April 19th, 2026  
East Bethel City Hall  
Submitted By: Vince Beaman**

**ROLL CALL**

Voting Members Present	Voting Members Absent
President: Alex Goodwin Vice President: Zach Koering Secretary: Vince Beaman Boys Director: Jason Hehir Community Outreach & Social Media Director: Carmen Turbitt Concession Manager: Josh McDonald Equipment & Apparel Director: Kendall Koering Gambling Manager: Sam Molitor Girls Director: Steven Tourville Goalie Director: Matt Wodziak Hockey Director: Tim Olsby Mite Director: Chuck Benik Registrar & SafeSport Coordinator: Meg Maanum Tournament Director: Nichole Cota Volunteer Coordinator: Venessa McConkey	Treasurer: Brianna Picotte Fundraising & Sponsorship Director: <b>OPEN</b> Ice Scheduler: <b>OPEN</b> IT Director: <b>OPEN</b>
Non-Voting Members Present	Non-Voting Members Absent
Assistant Mite/Recruitment Director: Brandi Midkiff Assistant Treasurer: Melissa Anderson	

**VOTING QUORUM (13):** Yes

**GUESTS:**

**CALL TO ORDER:** < A. Goodwin > called the meeting to order at < 5:59M > at East Bethel City Hall.

**MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL:**

Motion to approve March meeting minutes and accept them as proposed, made by < V. Beaman > and seconded by < Z. Koering >. No opposed, no abstained; motion passed.

**AGENDA:**

- **President**
  - Introductions
  - Board Member Expectations & Code of Conduct
    - SFYHA is a nonprofit organization (501c3)
    - Key Fiduciary and Legal Responsibilities
      - Duty of Care – acting with competence and diligence
      - Duty of Loyalty – placing the organization’s interest above our own
      - Duty of Obedience – ensuring compliance with bylaws and regulations
  - New Member Updates/Reminders
    - New Board Members: Transition, Photos
    - Email, Teams & SharePoint Access
    - Crossbar Content Updates
  - ALEC & Hockey Director Conference
    - May 1<sup>st</sup> and 2nd at Marriott Hotel in St. Louis Park
    - Steven and Chuck Attending for SFYHA
    - Most associations are having attendees stay at the event hotel for networking and additional meeting opportunities
    - Motion to approve up to \$600 for hoteling for SFYHA attendees, made by < A. Goodwin > and seconded by < J. Hehir >. No opposed, no abstained; Motion passed.
  - Survey Results
    - 66 of 235 member complete the survey (28%)

- Results very similar to last year
- Initial Analysis:
  - What did SFYHA Do Well? – strong coaching, culture, development opportunities are creating positive player experience and building momentum for the future
  - What can SFYHA Do Better?
    - Mites – inconsistent experience across teams, better visibility to Board/leadership, leveling
    - Traveling – standardized coaching philosophy, more equitable and player-focused experience
- Next Steps:
  - Executive Board to analyze and identify themes
  - Focus on 1-3 key areas of improvement
  - Assign owners to create action plans
- **Vice President**
  - No updates
- **Treasurer**
  - Current State of the Account: \$29,065.69 in operating cash
  - Concessions: \$24,456.12
- **Secretary**
  - Bylaws Annual Review and Updates
    - Slight wording adjustment to the Volunteer policy and point the Bylaws to the SFYHA website Volunteer page
    - Motion to approve, adopt and publish the updated Bylaws, as detailed, proposed and reviewed, made by < V. Beaman > and seconded by < Z. Koering >. No opposed, no abstained; Motion passed.
  - Open Board Positions
    - Fundraising + Sponsorship Director – Nate Hamment
      - Motion to approve appointing Nate Hamment to the open board position of Fundraising and Sponsorship Director, effective immediately, made by < J. Hehir > and seconded by < M. Maanum >. No opposed, no abstained; Motion passed.
    - IT Director – no interest
    - Ice Scheduler – no interest
  - Newsletter Topics
    - Pioneer Days Needs – Truck + Trailer
    - Volunteers Hours Posted
    - Shooting Challenge Reminder
- **Gambling**
  - Account Balance (March): \$117,194.03
  - Gambling Report (March)
    - Gaming Revenue: \$70,525.35
    - Gaming Expenses: \$36,090.99
    - Net Profit: \$12,215.57
  - Charitable Contributions: \$20,000
  - Motion to approve the membership of revenue and expenses given for March 2026 made by < Z. Koering > and seconded by < J. Hehir >. No opposed, Abstained: S. Tourville, Motion passed.
  - Motion to approve May 2026 estimated allowable expenses up to the amount shown in the gambling activity report, made by < Z. Koering > and seconded by < J. Hehir >. No opposed, Abstained: S. Tourville, Motion passed.
  - Motion to donate \$20,000 to St. Francis Youth Hockey < V. Beaman > and seconded by < M. Wodziak >. No opposed, no abstained; Motion passed.
- **Old Business**
  - Tryout Pinneys (Kendall)
    - Recommending Tahoe for practice jerseys and tryout pinneys
    - (\$8 per pinney + \$14 for printed) x 200 pinneys = total \$4,400
    - Motion to approve spending \$4,500 toward new tryout pinneys, as detailed and described, made by < V. Beaman > and seconded by < M. Wodziak >. No opposed, no abstained; Motion passed.
  - Tournament Planning (Nichole)
    - Initial Travel Leveling Plan:
      - Boys: BTB1, PWB1, PWB2 (this group only lost 2 games as a SQC team 2 years ago), SQB1, SQC.
      - Girls: 15UB, 12UB1, 12UB2, 10UB1, 10UB2
      - All plans subject to change based on final registrations and tryouts, but initial direction for Tournament booking, which is starting to open
    - Black Out Dates
      - MN Deer Nov. 7 (Opening Weekend Only): For Peewees and Bantams (hunting age youth)

- Avoid holidays, IF possible, but many tournaments are being created around holidays (Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas)
  - SFYHA Hosted Tournaments
    - PW Shootout: Oct 23-25 (PWB2)
    - Candy Cane Cup: 12/18-12/20 (PWB1) - HS game will be this Saturday as well
    - Potential to look at Squirt C hosted opportunity
- 2026 Pioneer Days + Booster Days (Carmen)
  - Pioneer Days – Registered and spot is reserved in parade
    - Need a truck and trailer volunteer/support
    - Include in the Newsletter to request from the membership
  - Booster Days – Reached out to confirm participation
- **New Business**
  - Class of 2026 Overnight Party Donation Request (Alex)
    - Request received from SF HS seniors with a general donation to the high school overnight party
    - Ask students to send an official email to request a specific donation request
  - Apparel Store Option – Pure Hockey (Kendall)
    - More options than currently getting through other suppliers
    - 8-week turnaround (slightly longer) but no order windows. Open all the time
    - Support for bigger events like tournaments/jamborees with discount cards
    - Ship direct to customers
    - Are we spread too thin with options: SFYHA, Lettermen, Innovations Plus, Pure Hockey
  - Mite Jamborees (Chuck)
    - SFYHA to cover hosted jamboree + 1 additional jamboree
  - NTS Co-Op Agreement Update (Steven)
    - Current Co-Op agreement is expired
    - Discussing updated details within the agreement
    - More to come in sharing information after further discussions with other Associations
    - NTS Committee Meeting – next Sunday (4/26)
  - North Branch Discussion (Zach)
    - Executive Board met with new NB board members
    - Discussed overall numbers, starting with Bantams based on current needs, and conversation evolved to other options and/or re-considering co-oping at the youth traveling level, and potentially A Mites
    - Both associations agreed to review internally with their larger boards before any further conversations happen, and, if warranted, further small group meetings could occur.
    - SFYHA board expressed general concerns with history between Associations and working together after the previous co-op ended
    - Consensus to move forward with conversations with the North Branch Board
    - Next Steps (each step contingent on previous step gaining general approval):
      - SFYHA Executive Board meets with small group from NBYHA for further discussions of ideal collaboration
      - Information share-out/communication to both Association Memberships for discussion and feedback
      - Re-grouping of small groups to discuss framework of a new co-op deal
      - Review of co-op details within each Association Board for feedback/approval

**ADJOURN:**

Motion to adjourn the meeting at < 8:42PM > made by < A. Goodwin > and seconded by < M. Maanum >. No opposed, no abstained. Motion Carried.

**MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:42PM**

**VOTING RECAP:**

<b>Previous Month Minutes</b>	Motion to <b>approve March meeting minutes and accept them as proposed</b> , made by < V. Beaman > and seconded by < Z. Koering >. No opposed, no abstained; motion passed.
<b>ALEC &amp; Hockey Director Conference</b>	Motion to approve <b>up to \$600 for hoteling for SFYHA attendees attending the ALEC conference</b> , made by < A. Goodwin > and seconded by < J. Hehir >. No opposed, no abstained; Motion passed.
<b>Annual Bylaws Review</b>	Motion to <b>approve, adopt and publish the updated Bylaws, as detailed, proposed and reviewed</b> , made by < V. Beaman > and seconded by < Z. Koering >. No opposed, no abstained; Motion passed.
<b>Fundraising and Sponsorship Director Appointment</b>	Motion to approve <b>appointing Nate Hammett to the open board position of Fundraising and Sponsorship Director, effective immediately</b> , made by < J. Hehir > and seconded by < M. Maanum >. No opposed, no abstained; Motion passed.
<b>Gambling Revenue and Expenses</b>	Motion to approve <b>the membership of revenue and expenses given for March 2026</b> , made by < Z. Koering > and seconded by < J. Hehir >. No opposed, Abstained: S. Tourville, Motion passed.
<b>Gambling Next Month Allowable Expenses</b>	Motion to approve <b>May 2026 estimated allowable expenses up to the amount shown in the gambling activity report</b> , made by < Z. Koering > and seconded by < J. Hehir >. No opposed, Abstained: S. Tourville, Motion passed.
<b>Gambling Charitable Donation</b>	Motion to <b>donate \$20,000 to St. Francis Youth Hockey</b> , made by < V. Beaman > and seconded by < M. Wodziak >. No opposed, no abstained; Motion passed.
<b>Tryout Pinneys</b>	Motion to approve <b>spending \$4,500 toward new tryout pinneys, as detailed and described</b> , made by < V. Beaman > and seconded by < M. Wodziak >. No opposed, no abstained; Motion passed.