

Meeting Minutes

Jaguar Hockey Club Board Meeting

March 23, 2026

Meeting Called to order by Melisa Kochniarczyk at 7:00 PM

▪ Roll Call

- Lauren Walsh, Griff Schiele, John Wirkus, Eric Scott, Melisa Kochniarczyk, Ryan Melling, Melissa Reese, Jim Seiwert, Denise Spreeman (Via Phone), Mike Lazzari, Sarah Dean, Elyce O'Sullivan

▪ President's Address

Lauren Walsh

○ Girls

- Girls are off and running. We will have a 12U team combined with a few 10U players. Some girls are double rostered with their coed teams. Girls will attend skills with their coed age level. 1 tournament at the end of May.
- Every other week. On Mondays, 6:35 @ Inwood we will have a Jaguar Girls Ambitions Skate. \$40 drop in fee. The registration link is on our website.

○ Bi Laws

- Will need to vote on the Boosters & Foundation By Laws

○ CUHL

- Tryouts are over. Results have been posted. All teams should be in Crossbar now.
- 2 tournaments
- 1 team practice per week
- 1 skills session per week
- Goalie clinics
- jerseys - \$45 will be using the same spring jerseys as last spring. If you already have them, you can reuse them without issue.
- This week we are off.
- 1st week in April, there will be 1 touch/skills per team.
- Fridays 7-8pm will be a Jaguar Ambitions Clinic. \$40 drop in fee. Registrations will be available on the website soon.
- There is also a skills drop in option for those players not playing spring. Registration is on our website. \$40.

○ Jog

- Currently working with JOG to figure out pricing and see what they can do for mockups of our current travel jerseys and such. Hoping to come to an agreement and move forward for fall.

○ AHAI

- President's Meeting 3/30/26

○ General

- I want to personally thank Denise and Mike for all of your years of service to the Jaguars. We truly appreciate all that you have done.

▪ Approval of Meeting Minutes

○ February Minutes -

- Motion for Approval by Colleen Krol, Second By John Wirkus, all in favor

▪ Treasury Report

Griff Schiele

- We have \$10,000 in outstanding checks
- Working on transferring money from the Booster account to the main operating account.
- Working on the Spring Budget
- Taxes - Foundation have been filed - Boosters and Main Operating will be filed by April.
- Monthly Reminder to put the right entity on Checks
 - Jaguar Hockey
 - Jaguar Boosters
 - Jaguar Foundation

- **Vice President of Hockey Operations** **John Wirkus**
 - Survey results are in and we had a really strong response. There were 220 registered players last fall & we received a response from 120 of them. That is over 50% Google does a nice job quantifying data. I will be moving forward and digging into all of it.
- **Vice-President of League Affairs** **Eric Scott**
 - NIHL (Eric Scott)
 - Nothing to Report at this time
 - NWHL (Melisa Miller)
 - Talked about spring - Jaguars don't put teams in for Spring
 - CUHL (Eric Scott)
 - The club had 2 out of 3 mite teams make it to Championship Sunday. Both teams took their opponent into OT but came up short and both received a 2nd place banner.
 - CSDHL - (Eric Scott)
 - Applications for major/minor will go out April 1 and be due May 1. All clubs that were in the league this past season will automatically receive an email with the application link.
- **Secretary/Registrar** **Melisa Kochniarczyk**
 - Spring Rosters (Google Doc) have been sent off to all the managers
 - All of the Fall patches from USA Hockey have been distributed to managers
 - The Vipers Tournament for U16, U18 & Girls have fully been paid for
 - Ice Dogs Mites - Bantams have been paid or a Deposit has been paid
 - Yellow Jackets Squirts - PW's have been paid for. Sending an email to send a check for the balance
 - Will start entering USA Hockey rosters into the portal and officially hit send on April 1 when Spring opens
 - I have created a Spring 2026 folder with all the receipts for tournaments uploaded and shared with Griff and Lauren.
 - Senior Night was a big success thank you everyone who attended and helped out! I couldn't have done it without you.
- **Development Coordinator** **Colleen Krol**
 - Winter Session Ended - We had a bunch of kids move to travel
 - 450 Tickets for the wolves game were sold
 - Spring Schedule is being worked on
 - Looking for help PeeWee & older - will sign off on community service hours
- **Chairman of Rules & Ethics** **Ryan Melling**
 - For the Fall/Winter Season, the club has addressed 19 R&E infractions/Violations
 - 3 Coach Violations
 - 5 Player Violations
 - 12 Parent Violations
 - 1 team violation
 - Since last month we have had 4 additional R&E infractions - 1 Player, 2 Parent & 1 team, no suspensions were issued
 - Moving forward, teams need to recognize the protocol of chain of command. In addition to the chain of command, teams need to realize some information is privileged to coaches and managers in order to secure a controlled, civil and protected approach to resolving issues within games & instances where emotions run high.

Director of Fundraising

Melissa Reese

- Poppin Popcorn Fundraiser: ends tonight...we have sold almost \$10,000 worth of popcorn!
- Banner Program is closed at this time, no new banner requests will be accepted. After March 31st any banners not renewed will be removed in June when banner installation happens. The families that need renewals were sent 2 emails reminding them to do so.
- Fantasy Hockey is doing great! We just completed week 14 and only 1 week didn't have any Jaguar winners. We have one more week left of this fundraiser.
- Spring Flower Fundraiser is returning April 1st and will end on April 24th. All orders will be picked up at RejuveNate in Crest Hill. Once I receive the website and flyers for our fundraiser it will be sent out to families.
- Fun Pasta is returning May 1st through 16th...more detail to follow.
- Reminder that ALL fundraising checks need to be made out to "Jaguar Booster Club".

- The fundraising page has been updated with fundraising details that are currently available. Please keep checking the webpage to stay current with fundraising opportunities.
 - **Concessions** **John Wirkus**
 - Sent Insurance & W9 to Seat Geek and CU1.
 - Slammers Draft is done. We have a lot of Slammer Events to replace the low amount of Seat Geek Events
- **Director of Marketing** **Jim Seiwert**
 - Nothing to Report
- **Director of Technology and Communication** **Denise Spreeman**
 - Nothing to report
- **Ice Scheduler** **Jim Seiwert**
 - Nothing to report
- **Member at Large** **Mike Lazzari**
 - We raised over \$4700.00 for PHAT from the Veterans vs Coaches
- **Equipment Manager** **Elyce O'Sullivan**
 - Spring jerseys are in progress - should have ASAP
 - Mite - Bantam wear Black socks
 - Midgets wear Purple
 - A few sock orders are waiting for payment and then I will hand those off to the families.
- **Manager of Managers** **Sarah Dean**
 - New Spring manager handbooks have been made, and will have to update contact information with new board members.
 - Meeting with new managers first week of practices and will schedule soon
 - Parent team meetings are on a shared google sheet, I will need R&E or executive board members to attend. The Google sheet was shared with managers and the executive board.
- **New Business**
 - Vote on By Law for Boosters & Foundation
 - John Wirkus Motioned, Mike Lazari second, all in favor.
 - Stadler has new Spring Swag coming soon - keep an eye out.
 - **Open Board Positions**
 - President - Lauren Walsh
 - Secretary / Registrar - Melisa Miller-Kochniarczyk
 - Development Coordinator - Colleen Krol
 - Rules & Ethics - Ryan Melling
 - Ice Scheduler - Kristen Dondlinger
 - Treasurer - Griff Schiele
 - Concessions (Advisor Position)
 - Equipment Manager (Advisor Position) Elyce O'Sullivan
- **Old Business**

Meeting Ended 7:37 PM Colleen Krol Motioned - John Wirkus second
- all in favor.