

Plainfield High School Hockey Association

Meeting Minutes

June 9, 2025

The meeting was called to order at Canlan Ice Sports in Romeoville by Rob Blanco at 7:01 PM

Roll Call: Robert Blanco, Sara Gentile, Chet Hrycyk, Craig Terdich, Melissa Preisler, Kari Waters, Jeannette Hrycyk, Nerissa Huegel, Andy K (Jaxson P's grandpa)

Last meeting's minutes were approved by Sara Gentile, Craig Terdich.

Coaches Update:

- Spring Season went well. Saw improvement as the season progressed. Coaches are having individual player meetings to discuss thoughts on the upcoming fall season.

Treasurer's Report:

- Chet reported on the club's financials:
 - \$27, 207 in checking account
 - HD's salary for 2 months to clear still
 - Leaves \$15,000 - \$16,000 for summer spending
 - Summer program costs will be paid for by player registration fees
 - DC Account - \$950
 - Bosi Fund - \$11,911
 - Fiscal year closes on 7/31 – tax filing due Sept.

Old Business:

N/A

New Business:

- A. Senior Scholarship Program
 - Awarded to one (1) Plainfield High School Senior per fall season
 - Used for any type of schooling (University, Community College, Trade School, etc.)
 - Information would be provided to players and parents directly and listed on the website
 - \$1,000 to \$2,000 amount - TBD
 - Qualifications
 - Good grades
 - Great teammate
 - Great on ice and off ice presence with coaches & players
 - Demonstrates leadership
 - Written essay on why the player believes he/she deserves the award
 - Volunteerism*
 - Letter of recommendation*

B. Summer Skates / Off-Ice

- Summer Skates will be on Thursday's from 7p to 8p at Canlan.
- 1st date is Thursday **June 26th at 6:40p** (Canlan scheduling issue)
- Remaining dates are:
 - Thurs July 10th – 7p to 8p
 - Thurs July 17th – 7p to 8p
 - Thurs July 24th – 7p to 8p
 - Thurs July 31st – 7p to 8p

C. Conditioning Camp

- Not sure of week just yet – need to determine tryout dates.
- Week of August 4th IF tryouts are week of Aug 11th
- Week of August 11th IF tryouts are week of the 18th.
- Looking into ice schedule with Canlan to utilize the most time for an entire week (Mon to Fri)

D. Jersey Sizing

- Two (2) Early Bird Sizing's:
 - June 26th – During 1st Summer Skate at 6:40p
 - July 10th – During 2nd Summer Skate at 7p
 - Order must go in by July 12th to receive the jerseys in time for the start of the fall season.
- Sizing can be done during the week of Conditioning Camp, if necessary
- Sizing can also be done during the week of Tryouts; however, jerseys would not arrive until late October.
- Costs: Typically \$150 each jersey / \$60 shell / \$40 each pair of socks (subject to change before tryout dates are listed)
 - You may purchase items individually.
- Club will be changing from Red and White fall jerseys to White and Black.
- Rob Blanco will get a mockup of the new jersey for review and discussion.
- The jersey will not be sublimated; the logo will be stitched.

E. Tryouts

- Dates TBD & will be announced as soon as possible.
 - Tentative Week of August 11th
 - Tentative Week of August 18th

F. AHAI Annual Meeting & Leadership Conference – 5/31/25

- The Highschool championship games will NOT be at the United Center next year due to the Olympics in town and the Blackhawks ice usage schedule with the UC.
 - Tentative/Proposed new location is the Allstate Arena – TBD
- No significant rule changes / neck guards still mandatory
- Varsity will drop down to three (3) referees
- JV will stay at two (2) referees

Questions regarding scholarship program:

Q: Are dual roster players eligible?

A: Yes – board discussion will take place for finalization of program details.

Q: Where will the money be distributed to?

A: Tentative - the players parent(s) – board discussion will take place for finalization of program details.

Q: Should the player be playing for Plainfield Predators all four years to be eligible?

A: Unsure – board discussion will take place for finalization of program details.

Open Floor

Q: Will fall practices still have an early Monday time slot (4pm)?

A: We will have an early practice slot for the fall season; not sure if it will be Monday. We will run a similar practice plan as last year.

Q: Is fall tournament information available yet?

A: Not yet. Sometime in July is when the tournament schedule is posted. We will work to determine where we should go and where we fit for each team. There are at least three local tournaments to look at. Typically go away during MLK weekend and CCM weekend as our local rinks are being used for tournaments.

Q: If the club changes to a new black jersey, will spirit wear be available in the same fashion (black jersey sweatshirt) like the jersey style?

A: Chet will contact the company who creates our spirit wear to work with getting merchandise that matches the new jersey.

Q: Is SafeSport required every year for those that require it?

A: Yes – August is when the USA Hockey # expires and when the new SafeSport requirement would need to be met/completed.

Next Meeting: July 7, 2025, 7:00 pm at Canlan Ice Sports with a tentative early bird fall jersey sizing

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm – moved to adjourn Chet Hrycyk, second Craig Terdich