

MINUTES

Mesabi East Youth Hockey Board

Tuesday April 21, 2026 Hoyt Lakes Arena

In Attendance

President | Brad Engstrom: Attended
Vice President | Derek Hirsch: Attended
Treasurer | Hillary Hartleben: Attended
Secretary: OPEN
Ace Coordinator: OPEN
Registrar | Leah Nielsen: Excused
Tournament Coordinator | Stephanie Engstrom: Attended
Hockey Hut Manager: OPEN
Hockey Hut Co-Manager | Anneissa LeChevalier: Excused
Volunteer Coordinator | Cheyenne Thorne: Attended
Fundraising Coordinator | Dan Mackey: Excused
Apparel Coordinator | Angie Lesar: Excused
Equipment Manager | Katie Dinsmore: Attended
Scheduler | Kathy Undeland: Excused
Website Manager: OPEN
Clinic coordinator: OPEN

Special guest: Breanna Scott Mayor of Hoyt Lakes

Regular Meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Approval of March 22, March 29, and April 1 Minutes.

M: Derek S: Brad

Budget

General | Checking: \$30,389.51

General | Savings: \$35,420.48

Hockey Hut | Checking: \$15,225.31

Hockey Hut | Savings: \$25.13

M: Brad S: Derek

Old Business

- A. Board Sponsors
 - a. Tabled for May Board Meeting.
- B. Game Sheet
 - a. Tabled for a task during one of the months in August - November Board Meeting.
- C. CD Savings
 - a. Tabled for May Board Meeting.
- D. Mini Mite Donation
 - a. Plans have been finalized to host a swim party on May 2nd at Giants Ridge; remaining funds to be used for shirts.
- E. Equipment Rental
 - a. Inventory has been completed; current inventory is stable.
 - b. "Gear up MN" grant is available in May.
 - c. Goalie gear inventory still needs to be completed.
 - d. All the equipment has been returned.
 - e. Summer rentals participates | Hunter Thorne, Lane Mackey, Liam Thammavongsa, Mason Keranen
 - f. Plan needed for a summer rental date.
- F. Hockey Hut Inspection Report
 - a. Report signed of by Cali
 - i. Brad will connect with the health inspector to have an executed copy on file and update contact information to be with MEYHA e-mail.
 - b. Testing strips in the kitchen were identified as out of compliance and Cali notified Bucky and he was going to look into it.
 - i. Brad will follow up.
- G. End of season Equipment Inventory/Available Funds for Next Season
 - a. Repeat of Equipment Rental (Section E).
- H. Table setup at Mesabi Open House in End of August
 - a. Tabled for August Board Meeting.

New Business

- A. Handbook review
 - a. Review completed; will be posted on TeamReach for final edit and/or approval for May Board Meeting.
- B. Recap for Season End

- a. Discussions were held for tasks needing to be done to close out the current season.
 - i. Conduct a final inventory list for the Hockey Hut.
 - 1. Brad will talk with Bucky about what he would be interested in.
 - ii. Hillary and others interested will take inventory on Thursday at 3:30
 - b. Discussion on whether a deep cleaning is needed (tabled for further review).
- C. Cali Mirau Resignation
- a. Motion to approve Cali Mirau's registration and we thanked her and time and service, we will pay the stipend of \$100.
M: Brad S: Derek
- D. Non Voting Positions
- a. Tabled for the next board meeting once the handbook is approved.
- E. Election Results and Member Acceptance
- a. Derek was re-elected as Vice President and accepted the position.
M: Brad S: Hillary
 - b. Kyle Reddick was elected as Ace Coordinator and accepted the position.
M: Brad S: Derek
 - c. Anninessa LeChavalier was elected as Secretary and accepted the position.
M : Brad S: Derek

Action Items

- A. Association Outlook/Future Planning
 - a. A Google form will be created for interested participants in the MEYHA programs with results being discussed at May Board Meetings.
 - b. Discussion was held to set May-July Dates and allow for an hour before meetings to discuss ideas on how to discuss future planning.
- B. Season Registration and Tasks
 - a. Tabled sections C- F (part of Section B).
- C. Hockey Hut and Volunteer Hours Completion
 - a. Tabled (part of Section B).
- D. Close out Hockey Association Team Reach
 - a. Tabled (part of Section B).
- E. Website Changes
 - a. Tabled (part of Section B).
- F. Current Potential Numbers of Interested Players
 - a. Tabled (part of Section B).
- G. Summer Shots
 - a. Cheyenne will explore planning to bring the 10,000 shots as part of our summer program for association participants.
- H. City Hockey Hut Report

- a. Awaiting remaining inventory payments/donations to bring to completion. The report will be finalized once final inventory is finalized and disbursed.
- I. Set a Meeting Date for a Financial/Budget Meeting before May Board Meeting
 - a. Scheduled for May 13th at 5:00 pm, prior to the May Board Meeting.

Member Input

Tournaments:

- Tournament information from other associations are starting to be advertised; planning discussion will be held during the May Board Meeting after we review results.
- Create a Google Form to post on social media, request the school to share, and share with teachers to post on class announcements to gain interest.

Summer Hockey:

- The 10,000 Shots Program for prior association members moving to PeeWees can participate through RRYHA. Squirts, Mites, Mini Mites, and Learn to Skate can participate through MEYHA. Any other summer programming offered through RRYHA is done by other coordinators and not RRYHA.

Rink Rats:

- Shirts are ready to be picked up and will be disbursed once picked up.

Future Planning:

- Decision was held on whether the association will pursue being an available arena to be in the running to host a state tournament; district notification will be required if proceeding.

Next Meeting

The next regular meeting will be on the 20th of May at 5:00 p.m.. There will be a special meeting on 13th of May at 5:00 p.m. focusing solely on the budget for the 2026-2027 season.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m..