



Minutes for the Annual Meeting of Wildcat Youth Hockey Assoc. Members

May 28, 2026 @ 7:00 PM via Google Meet
Meeting presided over by President Micki Smeeding
About 15 members present
Annual meeting for fiscal year July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026.
Secretary: Susan Senti

WELCOME

Micki Smeeding called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm

AGENDA: Welcome ▪ Approve 2025 Annual Meeting Minutes ▪ WYHA Financial Update ▪ 2025-2026 Season Recap ▪ Looking Forward ▪ Recognition ▪ New Business: Open Board Positions & Newly Elected Board Members ▪ Adjourn

BUSINESS

1. approve 2025 annual meeting minutes
2. approve 2026 annual meeting agenda

Acknowledge 2025 Annual Meeting Notes

Review 2025 notes/minutes

Dan made a motion to approve last year's annual meeting minutes, Pete seconds the motion, no objections, minutes were approved unanimously.

2026 Annual Meeting Agenda

Dan made a motion to approve the agenda for the 2026 Annual Meeting, Pete seconds the motion, no additions, the motion was approved unanimously.

WYHA Financial Update

President Micki Smeeding reviews 2025-26 FY financials

Key points:

Budgeted items overview

Substantial gain on the season - \$30k - we are a non profit organization, our goal is to break even

Club continues to hold a strong cash position

What we do with our budget surplus:

Dryland Training Center Addition & rink improvement fund

Maintain scholarship fund

Equipment & Gear for THFF and smaller sizes
Buy more ice

2025-2026 Season Reporting

President Micki Smeeding reviews key points of past season

Key points:

Continued improvement of evaluation process

Many tournaments were booked prior to the season start

Bantam A paid for their own head coach

Blanket and yard sign sales

Season successes-

45th Anniversary

Channel 15 Morning Show Appearance

Helmet stickers

Try Hockey For Free

150 Skaters between Fall and Spring sessions

Closer working relationship with WDIR

Coaches Game

End of Season Party- large turnout despite torrential downpour

Communication/Social Media

Sent 5 teams to state! The most of any region 4 association!

Representation at Kohlman Cup- 9 skaters and 1 coach

LTS had 109 participants- doubled enrollment from session 1 to 3

Season challenges-

Lower than expected numbers for bantams- region-wide (Suspect COVID related- 2012s did not get a second mite year)

Tournament Bookings- C and C2 Tournaments book fast

Opponent scheduling starts before us- planning to work on this with Don for next year.

Outdoor Rink - Weather. Working with Waunakee to purchase boards to help with this next year.

Gear Sale- did not get enough gear to hold a sale, planning to hold a sale during fall 2026 THFF

Dryland/Skills Suite

Looking Forward

President Micki Smeeding reviews key points of next season

- Key points:

Facilitate Player Development Creatively on and off ice

Continue building the Wildcat Way

- Promote involvement through service

- Promoting Positive Culture

Girls Hockey

- 8U Girls Only Team

- 8U Girls Tournament Team

Applied to Host 2027 State Tournaments (as well as 2028 and 2029)

Projected teams 2026-27:

Midget- 1

Bantam: 3

Peewee: 4

Squirt: 4

8U: 6

6U: 5

projected 258 skaters - slightly lower than last season

Looking Forward:

Possible ice rental increase

Possible increase in officials dues

Fundraise with purpose and raise funds- equipment sale, boards may be sold (check mezz page on the website)

Equipment swap - asking families to donate equipment

Recognitions

President Micki Smeeding recognized 2025-26 Board Officers

President - Micki Smeeding

President Elect - Dan Heldmann

Past President - Bryan Ellefson

Secretary - Susan Senti

Treasurer - Ashley Van Ooyen

Hockey Director - Brian Stark

Assistant Hockey Director - TJ Marks

Our executive members, ALD's, appointed members coaches, managers, and parents and thanked them for their efforts

- Coaches, managers, and parents
- Learn To Skate and Learn To Play Crew
- Allan Schmid - Accountant
- The Ice Pond Team
- WDIR and helping to connect our two organizations
- Aaron Kirby - Poppy Waterman Ice Arena
- Bakke Recreation and Wellbeing Center
- Stoughton Park and Recreation

New Business: Newly Elected Board Members for 2026

- President elect: Chris Behrendt
- Hockey director asst.: Matt Saltzberry
- Treasurer: Ashley Van Ooyen
- **Still seeking a tournament director**

WYHA Annual meeting adjourned at 7:21 PM