

HINSDALE CENTRAL HOCKEY CLUB

BOARD MEETING Willowbrook Ice Arena September 9th, 2026

MINUTES

Board Members Present:

Garrett Ryan, Louise Crabb, Rick Joutras, Kelly Staver, Cara DiPasquale, Mark Koneicka, Brandon Beck, Jennifer Tallard, Eric Daze, Ryan Sullivan

President's Report:

- **Team Managers**

Garrett will serve as the temporary JV Team Manager until another parent is appointed. Kelly will serve as the Varsity Team Manager.

- **Player Status**

Connor Trout remains injured and did not participate in the tournament this weekend.

- **Hardship Fund**

Hardship Fund applications are currently being considered for two families.

- **HUDL Camera**

Garrett will purchase a new camera stand and donate it to the Club. We still need a few additional volunteers to assist with the camera set up at games (suggested to add this to the registration next year as a volunteer option).

- **Senior Night**

Senior Night is slated for Saturday, January 9. We still need to clear date with Sue.

Hockey Director's Report:

- **Player Numbers/Rosters**

The club currently has 39 players overall.

- Varsity will have three Central States double rostered players from different outside clubs: Declan Baskel, Jack Klein, and Dominic Starek.
- In total, Varsity will have 11 forwards (two of them double rostered - Declan Baskel & Dominic Starek) and 5 defensemen (one double rostered - Jack Klein)

- **Scheduling / Purchased Ice**

- As of now we have over 30 games scheduled (with playoff & state tournament games it will be over 40 games for the season. Eric is continuing to work on booking games with non-IL West teams to utilize already-purchased ice.

- **Locker Room**

- Boys have selected their lockers. Coach Daze requested that the code on the lock to our locker room be changed.

Gear & Uniforms:

- Uniform orders have been submitted for 39 players. Patches ordered, as well. Estimated turnaround time is 4–6 weeks.

IL West / League Update:

- **Monthly League Meetings**
IL West requires representation at the monthly league meetings. Representatives should attend all Varsity games.

Social Media/Recruitment:

- **Team pictures** need to be scheduled to take place right after new uniforms arrive.
- **Recruitment Spreadsheet**
A new recruitment spreadsheet is underway.
- **Future Red Devil Skates**
Home opener kickoff/tailgate was discussed in connection with recruitment efforts. Planning on Saturday, September 26th ahead of JV & Varsity games.

Registrar:

- **Registrations**
37 players registered. Waiting on 2 more. 17 Varsity rostered (includes two goalies). 20 JV rostered (includes two goalies). Of the 20 JV players, 12 earmarked to move up to Varsity when/if necessary.

Events:

- **Team Meals**
Parents will be asked to host team meals. Tailgate option was also discussed as an alternative. Will also consider to Egg Harbor in Hinsdale.
- **Homecoming**
Garrett and Seby's dad will drive floats. Families will gather at J. Jordan to watch parade.

Treasurer:

- To date, we have collected roughly 50% of our fees, as most families selected payment plan.

Fundraising

- **Vertical Raise**
The Vertical Raise representative will attend an upcoming practice to speak with the teams regarding the fundraiser.

- **Net Game Pickleball Fundraising Tournament**

Schedule for the Saturday after Thanksgiving.

- **Parking Spots**

Mark will discuss with Kenny before announcing to the Club.

- **Corporate Sponsors**

Corporate sponsorship opportunities were discussed. Mark will look at past sponsors and see who might be interested in renewing for this season.

Next Board Meeting:

October (day TBD) @ 6:30pm at the Hinsdale Public Library