

# HINSDALE CENTRAL HOCKEY CLUB

## Board Meeting (x 2)

March 14, 2026 & March 22, 2026

Hinsdale Public Library

## Minutes

### **\*\*Final Meeting of 2025-2026 Board: March 14, 2026\*\***

**Attendance:** Jay Scharkey, Don Draudt, Julie Rzeppa, Jim Hamman, Louise Crabb, Kelly Staver, Jen Tallard, Rick Joutras

### **President's Report**

- **Head Varsity Coach & Hockey Director Appointment:**  
The board voted unanimously to approve **Eric Daze** to a \$40,000, three-year guaranteed contract, with a two-year option, as Head Varsity Coach and Hockey Director.
- **Assistant Coaching Agreements:**
  - The board discussed a proposed agreement with **Rob Bishop** for \$8,000 for one year. The board unanimously approved this proposal, contingent upon Rob Bishop's acceptance.
  - Follow-up is required with **Zach Laskowski** regarding his commitment for the upcoming season as JV Head Coach.
- **Bylaw Amendment:**  
The board unanimously approved an amendment to the "repo" clause in the bylaws to allow **Chris Kunitz** to assist with on-ice coaching for the current season. This was approved as an exception to the "patronage" rule.

### **Spring Showcase Update**

- Currently, only Hinsdale Central Hockey Club and DuPage Stars are registered.
- Outreach efforts have included emails and flyers distributed to coaches within the conference and beyond.
- The board is considering opening participation to U18 and U16 teams.

### **Banquet Planning**

- The board reviewed the banquet program, including roles and responsibilities.

### **Board Applications**

- Eight applications have been received for next year's board.
- An odd number of board members is required; the board is awaiting confirmation from one additional applicant.

## **\*\*New 2026-2027 Board Meeting: March 22, 2026\*\***

**Attendance:** Garrett Ryan, Louise Crabb, Rick Joutras, Jen Tallard, Kelly Staver, Brandon Beck, Cara DiPasquale, Eric Daze

### **New Board Organization**

The newly formed board met to assign roles for the upcoming season:

- **President:** Garrett Ryan
- **Treasurer:** Rick Joutras
- **Secretary:** Louise Crabb
- **Fundraising:** Mark Konieczka
- **Recruitment / Social Media:** Kelly Staver
- **Events:** Jennifer Tallard
- **Registrar:** Brandon Beck
- **Apparel:** Cara DiPasquale
- **Illinois West Representative:** Tony Harris

### **Committee Assignments**

- **Rules & Ethics Committee:** Louise Crabb, Tony Harris, Rick Joutras
- **Coaches Committee:** Garrett Ryan, Jennifer Tallard, Brandon Beck

### **Player Development**

- **Chris Kunitz** and **Ryan Sullivan** will assist with player development.

### **Coaching Update**

- **Zach Laskowski** will remain as JV Head Coach.

### **Spring Showcase Update**

- Efforts to secure additional teams are ongoing.
- The board agreed to cancel the second weekend of the showcase (previously scheduled for mid-May).
- The event will now take place only during the first weekend in May.