

Owatonna Youth Hockey Association

Monthly Meeting Agenda

Monday January 26, 2026 7 p.m.

Four Seasons, Owatonna, MN 55060

Board of Directors (X= present and E= excused, A=absent, unexcused)

President – Steve Rick	X	Mikel Akers	X	Nick Lewis	X
1st Vice President – Eric Standke	X	Jen Culligan	X	Brandon Lubich	X
2nd Vice President – Ricky Magana	X	Nick Flatgard	X	Scott Mohs	X
Secretary – Andy Winkels	E	Chad Hacker	X	Alex Peterson	X
Treasurer – Chris Teeters	X	Cassie Johnson	X	Colleen Rehman	X
Non-Board Member - Admin. Director - Mary Kelvie			E		

1. Call to Order- Meeting - Steve R. called the meeting to order at 07:01 PM
2. Roll Call-
3. Guests-
4. Review and Approve current agenda. Steve R wanted to add to the agenda, discussion for employee pay for charitable gambling staff with addition of new locations. Motion was made by Alex P. and second by Mikel A. to the addition to the agenda.
5. Review and Approve December meeting minutes. Motion was made by Eric S. and second by Scott M.
6. Financial Report - Steve R. noted the report looked good. Scott M. made a motion to approve the financial report, second by Mikel A.
7. Gambling Report - the report was emailed and Steve R. reviewed it on his phone. December report shows 40,000 more than last year, Inside Swing location was active as of Dec 1, 2025 and its going well. The November financial report showed office supplies impacted total expenses and its highlighted in the report. Mikel A made a motion to approve the amended November financial report and Scott M second. Nick L. made a motion to approve the December gambling report with the November corrections, Mike A. second.

Nick L made a motion to approve January gambling expenses, Chris T. second.

8. Old Business

Sponsor Update - Alex P. noted that 95% of invoices for sponsorship have been collected. Federated Insurance sponsorship will not move forward, they will reconsider being the sole jersey sponsor next year. Otherwise sponsor engagement has been going well. Olmsted Medical committed \$2,000 for mites and mini mites.

Tournaments.

Ideas to increase numbers of players. There is a subcommittee that has been working to brainstorm some ideas. The subcommittee did not meet in December due to holidays.

Mite Update. Request to attend more jamboree are being made, but they are being denied. The ice schedule shows our mites are on the ice more than our peewees and bantams. Board members have been individually approached by parents, but the feedback varies. There is a strong passion for some, but there are parents that are also expressing that its too much. For clarification, our mites are currently scheduled to be on the ice three times a week, our peewees are only on the ice twice a week. With the mixed feedback and continued request for additional jamborees outside of established budgets, the board will establish expectations and a budget for next season.

9. New Business:

Hockey Director Report.

Breakfast Club - Wags was out with family matter - offering partial refund for missed sessions.

Our local point of contact for Spiideo is no longer Mark Spurgeon, he has since taken a different position in a different career path. Livebarn was again sold to a different ownership company, still yet to know what all these changes will mean for us.

Summer opportunities to be on the ice. Hawkeye Hockey has rented the ice and will be our summer provider, Coach Wags will also participate in those ice sessions. Nick Adamek is running Hawkeye. Next year OYHA will make sure to reserve the ice sooner.

Game analytics, we purchased a pack of 25 games, have yet to use many. The reports that we've received, feedback was position and a good tool. The expense and the information will be beneficial for our older/more advanced teams. The games we purchased don't expire this year.

Mite - Goalie Gear needed - our current gear is old and it needs to be replaced. We are trying to look at options to use the Dick's Sporting Goods grant money to buy quick gear. Two sets have been requested and the purchase has been approved, but have to look at what vendor to use. Also, as previously discussed, Hacker will be involved in discussion for expectation on what next year looks like.

Admin Director Report.

Monitor - Concessions / LiveBarn - here - being installed ASAP - will have one monitor with the ability to toggle back and forth between the 2 rinks.

Change in refs as required by D9 - 3 man SQ/U10 - new costs \$50/\$25/\$25 - results in an additional \$10 per game for the remaining 22 games for a total of \$220 more than budgeted amount
DIBs for the year posted minus Regions box workers (stats/scoreboard/box workers)
Mite Jamboree - smaller group this year so far
Working with Amy to get 1099 out for taxes
OMC trainers are going well so far.
Districts and Regions in planning stages with D9 and MN Hockey - ice reserved.
Next big projects - reimbursements for coaches expenses, cost analysis of concession items
Rink Buddy event for girls 1/29 vs Albert Lea last home game, Heather Walker and helpers have done an excellent job getting the girls excited about being together.

MN Paid Leave Act - .88% needs to be paid - currently set up association incur the costs. Discussion was had as to what it would look like if it increased in the future, what that percentage would mean to our budget. Current state law allows a certain amount of the .88% to be passed on to the employee. For the time being, the cost to the association was not budgeted, but it is nominal and wouldn't affect operation costs. Motion by Ricky M. to continue paying the full .88% with nothing passed on to our employees, and we will revisit if this amount is changed by state law, second my Eric S.

Gambling Pay Increase - discussion was had as to additional work that Colleen has taken at Inside Swing plus all the paperwork it involves. Steve R. will have further conversation with Colleen before proceeding with pay increases.

10. Adjournment: Eric S made a motion to adjourn, second by Scott M.

11: Next Board Meeting - **February 23, 7 p.m. Four Seasons**