



LDC Youth Hockey Inc
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
June 14, 2026
6:00-8:00 PM
Litchfield Civic Arena

Members present: Jason, Bill, Patrick, Sarah, Micki, Maria, Stephanie
Members Online: Leah, Luke, Pete, Stacy
Members Missing: Chris, Steve, Brett

Meeting called to order @ 6:00, with a motion by Sarah to approve last months meeting minutes, 2nd by Micki.

Monthly Reports

●President

Has been in discussion with City of Litch regarding the concession stand agreement for next season which expires in August, should have this buttoned up in the next month and ready to move forward for next season.

Treasurer-

General Account balance-\$50,856.07

Equipment balance- \$1908.37

Perennial balance- \$6106.86

Thrivent balance-\$4593.73

● **District 5/VP-**

Team fees will go up from \$85 to \$135 next season. HP Tier 1 is looking for a boys coach for fall session. Teams can go out of state to play games & tournaments just across the border but not Wisconsin Dells or Bismarck. Hutch & River Lakes Girls programs are struggling for girls, they may have 15U teams, we are in the same boat, D5 would allow us to merge together for next season if needed to make a team work..

There will be 8 squirt A teams in D5 next season, Hutch, River Lakes, Sauk Rapids will not

have a squirt A team. Team declarations should be ready by mid-september. Presidents meeting will be held in August, all association presidents have to attend. Registrar meeting will be held mid-july via zoom. The next D5 meeting is via zoom as well.

- **Secretary/Tournament Coordinator**

Signing up for tournaments for next season.

- **Registrar**

Received all coaching interest surveys back, 1 new potential coach has moved to town and reached out. She is getting ready for registration which opens 7-6-2026.

- **Fundraising**

Started the root beer float process, hoping to buy things on sale this season to try have better margins compared to last season. He is thinking about options for our raffle next season, perhaps a cash (50/50 split the pot) or a gun raffle would be an option, we could also ask teams to sell tickets at jv/varsity home games next season to help drive ticket sales. Pete will put together an email with Micki to continue the brainstorming about this and will discuss at the July meeting.

- **Advertising, Recruitment & Retention**

Working on watercade parade, will put out for dibs hours for truck/trailer for the float. What kind of swag do we want to hand out this time around, the foam pucks are \$1.42 each, do we want to order them again this season? Last year we ordered 500 pucks and had extra to give away. Bill made a motion to buy 500 pucks again, 2nd by Micki these are for the parades this summer. Leah will email Cathy at Ramsey Printing to order them up. We will open dibs hours for the cokato and dassel parades this summer as well to see if we have anyone willing to step up and put these together. We will also look for pricing on 30 LDC Hockey yard signs to sprinkle along the major roads for registration, these will be generic without dates so we can re-use them each season.

- **Equipment**

We applied for the Dicks gift cards again, waiting to hear back on the results of that.

- **Concessions**

Do we have the right to refuse events going forward? We are running into issues with making money on certain events and we should refuse to open for events that don't benefit us. More to come on this one.

Can we bump new family dibs hours from 5 to 10 hours due to hosting more events and having 2 concession stands to run. Motion by Micki to increase dibs hours from 5 to 10 for new hockey families next season 2nd by Stephanie. We need to update the LDC website to reflect this and the required 23 dibs hours for all returning families as well.

- **Safe Sport**

The website is open for background if the board wants to get theirs done.

- **Dibs**

Nothing new

- **Mites**

Nothing New

- **Hockey Advisory Committee**

Nothing new

District Tournament Coordinator

Nothing new

OLD BUSINESS:

Fees for next year, raise them or no?

With the cost of ice going up last season all around us do we want to raise fees for next season slightly? A 3% increase would be \$45 for bantams, \$42 for peewees/12U and \$36 for squirts/10U. Motion by Micki to raise fees, 2nd by Sarah, motion carries, will update the registration costs online accordingly.

Set tryout dates- October 3-4

Litchfield is set to have ice ready on 9-21-2026 and if so we will move tryouts up to 10-3 and 10-4. Jason will follow up with Chadd to make sure ice will be ready at that time.

Set Jersey try on dates

We will have a jersey try on date at Litchfield and DC, July 13th 6:00 - 7:30 and the 14th from 6:00 - 7:30 at both locations, we will email the board to get people to cover. We will have all kids write down their 3 favorite numbers and we will manually assign them as needed to ensure we don't have multiple same numbers across the same teams..

NEW BUSINESS:

The weight room in Litchfield arena is getting revamped by the LDC booster club and they are wondering if we (the association) would be interested in using the weight room as a scheduled event so it's covered by the USA Hockey insurance. They would potentially like us to make a donation to them for the use of it. We are not sure if the donation would go to the city of Litchfield or to the booster club, as the city owns the facility. No action taken on this item.

Next meeting July 19th, motion to adjourn at 7:32 Micki 2nd by Sarah.