

CCJHA Board of Directors February 2025 Meeting Minutes

February 12, 2025

Joe Zerst, President
Jon French, Former President
Ian Repp, Vice President

Keith Frick, Treasurer
JoLynn Pietila, Secretary

Call to order: 6:37 pm

Present: Joe Zerst, Jon French, Ian Repp, JoLynn Pietila (via phone), Colleen Mayra, Amy Blake, Ryan Bennett, Jennifer Capello, Jeff Baril, Ryan Bonini, Jason Swain and Rudy Gemignani

Absent: Keith Frick, Steve Mattson, Jeff Peltier, Stacy Bussiere

Guests and Public Comments

Calvin Larson was present.

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve last month's meeting minutes made by Colleen Mayra, seconded by Jon French; motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Balances:

- Board Balance: \$186,885.02; QB: \$185,162.02
- Referee Balance: \$2,185.42; QB: Need to balance
- Markham/Kero Savings: \$5,055.26; QB: \$5,055.26

Bills Paid:

- HoCo Nov. Ice: \$11,637.50
- HoCo Dec. Ice: \$11,025.00
- HoCo Jan. Ice: \$12,031.25
- Dee Nov. Ice: \$11,815.00
- MTU Ice: \$6,238.78
- MAHA: \$775.00 for 10UAA Entry Fee
- MAHA: \$1,125.00 for 12UAA Entry Fee
- MAHA: \$930.00 for 19U Girls Entry Fee
- Center Ice: \$954.96 for Equipment
- CCISD: \$97.74 for Printing for the November Gale Tournament
- Travis Hanson: \$1162.50 for reimbursement for the Girls' ice and referees
- District Fees to specific organizations

Bills Outstanding:

- None

Donations / Payments:

- James A Ruppe Foundation: \$2,000.00

To-Do:

- Evaluate registration costs for 2025-2026 season to provide to the next treasurer

- Balance Referee Fund: will need Amy's assistance with this

Notes:

- M&M Powersports paid their sponsorship fee so everyone is paid now

A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented was made by Ryan Bennett; Colleen Mayra seconded; the motion carried.

Program Director Report

- District Tournament results: 10UAA and 12UAA are both going to states; 14UAA lost to Marquette in the District final.
- There were complaints in regards to Marquette hosting Districts: no one in the penalty box/no awards ceremony for 10U or 12U, just a box of medals handed over
- Emails from the coaches stating these complaints was forwarded to Al Wakeham and the MAHA tournament state chair
- M&M Powersports made it to the semifinal but lost to Iron Mountain
- DB Tile won 1 and lost 2
- House playoffs start on 2/15 and will go through February/beginning of March
- Inter-city championship games:
 - Working on reviewing scores for standings
 - CCJHA hosts 14U and Calumet hosts 10U and 12U probably the first week of March
- 8U+ teams will go to a tournament in Calumet on March 7-9, 2025
- The 19U Girls team will be going to the state tournament March 13-15th
- There will be no scheduling of ice past the Old Timer's Tournament (March 14-16th)
- End of season Hockey Saturday:
 - 8U Championship will be on March 6th

- 6U Championship and games for 12U girls, 14U, 10U and 12U will be on March 8th
- There will be a Sign Up Genius for Board members to volunteer for these games
- There have been issues with games not being uploaded on Game Sheets (starting goalie needs to be stated, coaches and refs sign, etc.)

Coaching Director Report

- Nothing to report.

Equipment Manager Report

- Copper Shores Community Health Foundation grant for equipment
- There has been an issue with losing/missing pucks; a stamp of some sort might help

Officials Report

- Nothing to report.

Registrar/Safe Sport Report

- More work is needed on the organizational calendar

Booster Club Report

- Concessions still have a lot of holes to fill/many still haven't done their hours

- Most of the feedback from the email sent about this topic were people checking on their hours
- Awards are ordered for the Jim Markham Memorial Saturday, Inner City and awards night.
- To Do: Send email for nominations, hat tricks, shut-outs, etc. for MAHA review

Finance Committee Report

- Michigan Tech Athletics (Junior Huskies) will meet again as a committee to follow up: they will put together a scholarship and a mock-up for jerseys

Tournament Director Report

- Nothing to report.

Travel Committee Report

- Nothing to report.

Webmaster Report

- Emails from SportsEngine aren't accurate and need to be ignored.

Sportsmanship & Behavior

- Nothing to report.

Coaching Committee

- The position to head a coaching committee remains open.

Fundraising Committee

- Ryan Bonini has proposed potentially using a QR Code for fundraising; security issues with it need to be addressed first. It needs to be tied to a bank account.
- A plan to tie in a raffle to next season's registration was discussed.
- Other fundraising ideas were also discussed: jersey BINGO, squares, sticks, etc.
- The Chamber of Commerce for Bridgefest 2025 is looking for organizations to run things such as a dunk tank or bounce house. It costs \$400 to rent the dunk tank and then proceeds go to you.

Old Business

- MAHA Revisions to CCJHA Bylaws Revised Draft
 - The latest version was sent to MAHA with the affiliation agreement for 24/25; Al Wakham said they would be reviewed this winter by the MAHA bylaws committee.
- Growth Coordinator - Jenn Capello - nothing to report.
- Organizational Calendar to ensure the flow of approvals and organization processes
- There was discussion on the prospect of A team(s) at all levels for the future: how it would work, ice time consideration, coach approval, etc.
- Due to time issues, a travel coach application period will start on April 1, 2025 instead of March 1, 2025. This will allow for more time to figure out the details for next season. Coaches can be chosen for the May board meeting.
- NIHL - Decision will be made in the future on whether teams will be a part of this or not.
- Ice time policy for non-rostered or non-CCJHA registered players:
 - The proposed handbook amendment for who is allowed on the ice during CCJHA paid time is as follows:

Update to CCJHA Handbook:

J. Who is allowed on the ice:

- 1. Only USA Hockey-registered players are allowed on the ice.**
 - 2. Non-CCJHA registered, non-rostered players are not allowed on the ice.**
 - a. A process for registration and non-refundable payment can be created per coach request and CCJHA Board approval on a case-by-case basis.**
- A motion to vote to Approve the Handbook amendment was made by Colleen Mayra; seconded by Amy Blake. All present board members voted in favor of accepting the amendment, 0 nays.

New Business

- Set Awards Night Date and Time
 - Google Forms for Awards
- The Nomination of Rudy Gemignani for the vacant Board seat of Tom Glass was made by Colleen Mayra: All present board members voted in favor of approving him; 0 nays. The Board seat is through 2026.
- The next CCJHA BOD monthly meeting is scheduled for **March 12, 2025**

Adjournment

- A motion to adjourn was made by Colleen Mayra, seconded by Rudy Gemignani. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 801 pm.

Minutes submitted by J. Pietila, Secretary