

CCJHA Board of Directors March 2026 Meeting Minutes

March 11, 2026

Joe Zerbst, President
Jeff Peltier, Vice President

Dustin Armbruster, Treasurer
JoLynn Pietila, Secretary

Call to order: 6:30 pm

Present: Joe Zerbst, Jeff Peltier, JoLynn Pietila, Dustin Armbruster, Ryan Galerneau, Jeff Baril, Calvin Larson, Jennifer Capello, Mark Hendrickson, Rudy Gemignani, Amy Blake (via phone), Ryan Bennett and Jason Swain

Absent: Stacy Bussiere, Colleen Mayra

Guests and Public Comments

- Danielle Hendrickson
- Michael Hermann
- Jim Cortright: his son played hockey for the first time this year and he thought the season was fabulous and all managed very well

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes from last month's meeting was made by Jenn Capello, seconded by Dusty Armbruster; the motion carried. An oral VOTE was cast to approve last month's meeting minutes: all present voted YAY, zero nays, zero abstentions.

Treasurer's Report

Balances:

Board Balance: \$147,104.86; QB: \$128,594.64

Referee Balance: \$6,427.98

Markham/Kero Savings: \$5,057.79

Bills Paid:

- Ref Paychex, Payroll taxes: \$82.00
- Ref AssignR, Payroll: \$3,574.05
- Ref AssignR, Payroll: \$2,771.95
- Ref AssignR, Payroll: \$51.25
- Center Ice, pucks: \$525.00
- Center Ice, puck bags (to be reimbursed by Booster Club): \$460.00
- ValueCore CPA, Accountant Fees: \$60.00
- BR.ICE Goalie Coaching: \$412.50
- Intuit (office supplies): \$38.00
- Center Ice (pucks): \$175.00
- City of Houghton–Dee–January Ice: \$14,225.00
- Village of Laurium–Gipp Ice 2/15: \$525.00
- City of Hancock–HoCo February Ice: \$11,068.75

Coaching Reimbursements:

- Zach Babcock: \$58
- Jeff Baril: \$123
- Ted Sturos: \$153
- Jamey Markham: \$58
- Shane Anderson: \$173
- Adam Kerry: \$113
- Nick Rilei: \$153

State Playoff Registrations:

- 10UAA J.Peltier Construction: \$950
- 14UAA G&J Site Solutions: \$1675
- 12U Girls Mineshaft Sportsplex: \$1,150
- 19U Girls Harter's Auto Supply: \$1,500

Bills Outstanding:

- None

Donations / Payments:

- None

Notes:

- MTU Ushering Payouts (\$2,064.00 total/\$48 per person)
 - JPC (Jeff Baril) 15 participants: \$720
 - Upward (Joe Zerbst) 4 participants: \$192
 - Fine Line (Dustin Armbruster) 4 participants: \$192
 - Pat's Foods (John Pietila) 8 participants: \$384
 - G&J Site Solutions (Dan Juopperi) 12 participants: \$576
 - G&J Site Solutions (Brandi Hainault–part 2 for states)

A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented was made by Jeff Peltier; Rudy Gemignani seconded; the motion carried.

An oral VOTE was cast to accept the treasurer's report: all present voted Yay, zero nays or abstentions

Program Director Report

- Ideally a Try Hockey For Free event would occur, but no current plans for one
- The missing iPad at the Dee was found in the concession stand
- The form for association awards was emailed out to all registrants and will also be posted on the website–the Board encourages all to fill this out
- Congrats to UpWard Orthodontics (12UB) and McDonald's (10UB), who both won the InterCity Games

Coaching Director Report

- Coaches need to complete their Google form for awards so that they can be ordered for awards night (ASAP)

Equipment Manager Report

- Puck bags for coaches were ordered but will be saved for distribution next season
- Rudy is working on getting equipment and jerseys back and organized from the season
- Goalie equipment needs to be organized and distributed to those that need it for spring/summer
- The issue of what to do with old travel jerseys was discussed
 - A motion was made by Dusty Armbruster and seconded by Jeff Peltier to sell the old travel jerseys for \$20/piece. Amy will help Rudy in setting up a signup for them on Crossbar. The motion carried. An oral VOTE was made to sell the old travel jerseys for \$20/each. All present voted Yay, zero nays or abstentions.

A motion to purchase 1 more case of pucks was made by Colleen Mayra; seconded by Calvin Larson. The motion carried. An oral VOTE was cast to approve the purchase of 1 case of pucks: all present voted Yay, zero nays or abstentions

Officials Report

- Jason gave an overview of how the season went—some mentoring with a third ref occurred this year with younger/newer refs to help with positioning, etc. and was successful. Ideally, this would continue to happen, if budget allows
- Jason would like to address coach communication with refs at the beginning of next season

Registrar/Safe Sport Report

- Ryan Galerneau will become the new registrar for 2026-2027; thanks for Ryan Bennett for all of his work
- Policy is needed in Handbook for SafeSport team traveling requirements, per USA Hockey
- A request to register a team for the Cheese Cup was made
 - A temporary CCJHA registration will be set up to help the registrar in rostering a team with skaters from outside of the CCJHA

Booster Club Report

- Colleen will be resigning as Booster Club President at the Annual Meeting
- The board will look into if the Booster Club can be absorbed into the Fundraising Committee since we no longer have concession stand hours and responsibilities
- Possible dates for Awards Night: April 22nd, 29th or May 6th

Finance Committee Report

- Grant money from the David Wiitanen and Slim McLean Memorial Youth Hockey Fund can be used next season to help train and retain referees

Tournament Director Report

- Nothing to report

Travel Committee Report

- The committee needs to meet soon to discuss when to pick coaches for next season

- Feedback from travel coaches is that they would like later tryouts

Webmaster Report

- Nothing to report

Sportsmanship & Behavior

- There was a formal written complaint regarding a situation that escalated between a volunteer and a coach. The committee met and decided that Jeff Peltier will talk to them/give them a warning since it is the end of the season.

Coaching Committee

- Nothing to report

Fundraising Committee

- Nothing to report

Old Business

- MAHA Revisions to CCJHA Bylaws Revised Draft
 - The Bylaws need to be edited soon to reflect updates and changes
- The following positions are going to need to be filled:
 - Scheduler
 - Booster Club President (unless the Booster Club gets dissolved)
 - Secretary

New Business

- Committees need to meet and get work done before the Annual meeting

A motion was made to approve all reports as presented by Jeff Peltier; seconded by Dusty Armbruster. The motion carried.

An oral VOTE was cast to approve all reports as presented: all present voted YAY, zero nays, zero abstentions

- The next CCJHA BOD monthly meeting is scheduled for **April 8, 2026** at 6:30 pm in the Dave Wiitanen room at the HoCo.
- The CCJHA 2025/26 Annual Meeting will follow immediately after the regular meeting in the Dave Wiitanen room at the HoCo.

Adjournment

- A motion to adjourn was made by Calvin Larson, seconded by Jeff Peltier. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:59 pm.

Minutes submitted by J. Pietila, Secretary