

De Pere Youth Hockey Board Meeting
 February 3, 2026 6:00pm Called to order at 6:01pm
 Meeting adjourned at 7:47pm



Board members present	Dave Antilla	Sara Baierl	Brandon Bergner	Greg Binsfeld	Cassie Brill	Sandi Delvaux	Jason Gerhard	Matt Jensen	Michelle Kuehl
	Bill LaBelle	Ashley Mitchell	Rob Norwood	Chris Sands	Dena Sands	Tina Sumner	Mike Thompson	Tiffany Weckwerth	Adam Zunker

PRESIDENT-Jensen

- ★ Ice Fee Assistance Fund
 - Criteria to receive assistance (look to WAHA for how other organizations do this)
 - Free lunch criteria: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ixJVTmvl3W9obJA9xyb1C-t2evqk5Jne/view?usp=drivesdk>
 - RaiseRight– pass-on when people are done with the program?
 - Add a spot on Crossbar when people register to donate extra money to help skaters
- ★ Senior Scholarship Program
 - Recognition of a senior that came through the DPYH Program
 - Criteria for recipient?
 - How much?
 - Have we done this before?

VICE PRESIDENT/OPERATIONS COMMITTEE-LaBelle

- ★ Coaches who have not met their requirements
- ★ A temporary coach's card can be purchased to cover a coach until the next year (association will not pay for the card...it would need to be purchased by the coach).

TREASURER-Mitchell

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January Treasurer Report (Balances from Bank Statement)

Checking Balance as of 12/31/2025: \$112,239.23

Money Market Balance as of 12/31/2025: \$212,812.44

Withdrawals Made - Details:

December Ice: \$26,631.02
 Credit Card (Concessions, Apparel): \$9,391.58
 Penalty Box (Socks, Warm-Ups): \$5,659.80
 Brown County Ice Mgmt (Concessions): \$1,622.00
 Coaching Reimbursement: \$598.78
 GB Referee Scheduler: \$503.00
 Ref Payments: \$1,580.00
 True North Scrip: \$810.00
 Deposit Returns & Fees: \$232.00
 Raffle Payments: \$200.00
 Gift Card: \$100.00
 Crossbar Monthly Fee: \$69.00
 Bank Fee: \$54.70
 Office Supplies: \$26.90
 Skate w/Santa Cookies: \$24.80

Withdrawals Total: \$47,503.58

Deposits Made - Details:

Registration: \$18,453.27
 Square: \$4,460.38
 Venmo Cashout (Registration, Tourney Reimb, Raffle Calendar): \$3,399.57
 Concessions Cash Deposit: \$3,453.00
 RaiseRight Scrip: \$3,120.86
 Rink Floor Donation (Scheel's, Evenstad, Signature Auto, Sovereign): \$2,750.00
 Mite Tourney Reimbursement: \$1,071.00
 Schneider Donation: \$250.00
 Raffle Calendars: \$200.00

Fidelity Charitable Donation: \$100.00
Money Market Interest: \$220.69

Deposits Total: \$37,478.77

Checking Balance as of 1/31/2026: \$98,094.16
Money Market Balance as of 1/31/2026: \$216,932.70

Uncleared Transactions Items – January Ice \$xx; BCIM (Concessions) \$xx; Coach Travel \$139.40; School House \$113.75; Ref Checks \$4,272.00; Raffle Checks \$300.00; Valley Popcorn \$344.55

SECRETARY-Delvaux

- ★ Next board meeting is March 3, 2026 (I will not be at the meeting)
- ★ Board Member Nominations [update](#)
 - If you are considering a position with the board, please sign up by February 13th because we are working on setting up mentoring opportunities to discuss what each role entails
- ★ Update Shared Google Drive files/folders
 - Can I go through and delete old files and make it more organized?
- ★ Monthly newsletter
 - Open board positions
 - Volunteer hours
 - Raise Right bonuses
 - Schedule for the month
 - March Meltdown information
 - Sending out survey this week: <https://forms.gle/BVrhszXKofbbEVrW8>
 - Floor fundraiser-we are so close (\$39,700)

COMMUNICATIONS/WEBSITE- Weckwerth

- ★ Registration for spring hockey: Live this week
 - Adding \$20 to out of association members
 - Coaches will have 1 player fee be waived for coaching
 - Bill will reach out to coaches
 - Peewee & Bantam locker room monitors will get volunteer hours
 - Will look into having high schoolers help out for volunteer hours
- ★ March Meltdown: Live this week
 - Will send out communication this week

FUNDRAISING-Binsfeld/SPONSORSHIP- Gerhard

- ★ 50/50
 - Profit: \$3,564

EVENTS/VOLUNTEERS-Baierl

- ★ Do we need a committee or leader to organize March Meltdown?
 - Will work with Tiffany
- ★ Volunteer hours to clean the rink for State Tournament
 - 8-10 volunteers
 - Wednesday & Thursday, February 18 & 19??
- ★ Communication to members, volunteer hours are not just concessions. Need to be open to help with other tasks to make DPYH run smoothly
- ★ Are the coaches that didn't complete all their requirements getting all their hours, who is communicating this to these coaches?
 - **YES, but we will make an exception this year and give above coaches half of their volunteer hours since they volunteered for half of the year**

REGISTRAR-D. Sands/S. Winters

- ★ Registration numbers - detailed report: [2025-2026 Registration Report](#)
 - Request for roster changes due to injured goalie - on hold/goalie is able to play again
- ★ Coach and Volunteer Requirement reporting - detailed report: [2025-2026 Coach and Volunteer Requirements Report](#)
- ★ Coaches NOT ABLE TO BE ROSTERED or REDLINED ON ROSTER

Last	First	CEP Level	CEP #	CEP Expires	Modules	Team	Note/Comment
Evenstad	Scott	N/A	N/A	N/A	CFD, MT08	Mite Blue Shark	Did not complete clinic; Evanstad/Gilliam are only two coaches for team
Gilliam	Zach	N/A	N/A	N/A	MT08	Mite Blue Shark	Did not complete clinic; Evanstad/Gilliam are only two coaches for team
Hebl	Ryan	N/A	N/A	N/A		Squirt C	Did not complete clinic or MT08 module; stated helping with practice only
Henkemeyer	Nicholas	1	142867	12/31/2004		Mite Blue Ranger	Did not complete MT08 module
Jensen	Jereme	4	501693	12/31/2026	BA14MD18, CFD, MT08, SQ10	Peewee B	Did not complete PW12 module
Lasecki	Benjamin	N/A	N/A	N/A	MT08	Mite Blue Predator	Did not complete clinic; listed as head coach

- ★ Learning - redlined coach that completed requirements was resubmitted and approved on the roster - how does this influence decisions from last month (see below)?
 - Open Question: do we require these coaches to complete all requirements - including CEP/Online modules - to participate and/or earn volunteer hours? **YES, coaches not meeting requirements should not continue to participate with the teams per the roster note**
 - Open Question: do we require these coaches to be rostered to participate and/or earn volunteer hours? **YES but we will make an exception this year and give above coaches half of their volunteer hours since they volunteered for half of the year**
 - New Question: If a coach is redlined temporarily, what impact does/should it have to volunteer hours? **They will get half of their volunteer hours**
- ★ Planned improvements for next year
 - **Strengthen communication:**
 - Send organization-wide email encouraging coaches to register early.
 - Draft email that the Hockey Director can send to coaches outlining requirements and due dates.
 - Identify how to better communicate requirements with Mite coaches.
 - Begin automated requirement emails earlier.
 - **Align/Simplify Monthly Reporting:** Make it easier for Hockey Director leverage reporting to enable coaches to complete their requirements prior to the due dates/deadlines.

SCHEDULER-Zunker/Kuehl

- ★ Spring hockey 2026 ice has been blocked
 - Can we offer free registration for “leads” to take accountability and run the program? Do we have dependable DPYH families to assist with the program?
 - Recommend 4 for Mites (most difficult) / 2 for Squirts, PW & Bantam
 - Mite recommendation - Megan Noltner (overall) & hopefully 3 on-ice coaches (asked Megan and Travis for input)
 - Squirts - open
 - PeeWee - open (Sheboygan volunteer outreached - Corey Rauch)
 - Bantam - Recommendation of Nick Instejford, Ron Charbenau and Brett Losey (if kids sign up as they have assisted in the past)
 - Confirm ref payment strategy - amount and “new” vs. “established” refs
 - \$25 per game and both get the same amount
- ★ Confirm if March 7th THFF is something we should block
 - **No, we will skip this year due to lack of equipment and someone to organize**

EQUIPMENT MANAGER-C. Sands

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TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR-D. Antilla

- ★ SNC Print Center information
- ★ Referee list-Michelle will get to Dave

RECRUITMENT-Norwood/Thompson

- ★ Kiwanis Memorial Day parade
 - Registered for the event
- ★ March 3rd THFF Event
 - **No, we will skip this year due to lack of equipment and someone to organize**

CULTURAL LIAISON- Brill

- ★ Updates
 - 4/4 End of Season Gamblers outing: Peewees doing the exhibition game; link to purchase tickets will go out to all members soon (next week?)

- Trying to schedule Food Drive ice time prize with Adam
- Sending out survey this week: <https://forms.gle/BVrhszXKofbbEVrW8>
- Will reach out to schools to recognize teams who make it to state tournament
- ★ Decisions/discussion needed
 - How do people “officially” show interest in non-voted positions? e.g., Jake Noltner would like to do Gamesheets next.
 - Who owns voting preparation? *The Committee shall collect biographies of candidates and format them, in its sole discretion, for distribution to members prior to the voting period.*
 - Do we promote local summer programs?
 - AJ ran the summer program last year, and hoping he will run it again this year

MAINTENANCE LIAISON-Bergner

- ★ Dehumidifier PO will be getting signed this week
- ★ Painting the locker rooms
 - Is being paid for by Don
 - Locker rooms will be available for use this weekend
- ★ Discussion on a communication to the user group on damage in the locker room and possibly changing our locker room policy to limit damages in the future
 - Coaches and locker room monitors should be checking locker rooms before and after use

DP/IA ASSESSMENT UPDATE

- ★ **UPDATE: February 18th the city will be voting on the future of the ice rink**

- ★ **From Marty:**

Think I sent something out a bit ago that the meeting will be at the February 18. I will send a reminder out to all the groups again next week (most likely). That being said, I only send it to the organizational lead person as I don't want to get into a situation of having to email 100 different people.

But to answer your question, I always get nervous about trying to predict what the council will do. However, after talking at great length with the Mayor and our City Manager, I think there are two options the Council is not considering. One would be to close the rink and the other would be to blow up the rink and start over. Myself, the Mayor and the City Manager believe the council fall somewhere in the middle.

We will be recommending one of three options to the council...which would be the three scenarios we presented to them previously. Option 1 would be status quo, Option 2 would be do a large renovation and update in the tune of about \$2mil, and Option 3 would be do a large renovation and update in the tune of about \$4 mil.

The \$2 mil option fixes and updates what is there. The \$4 mil option replaces the front of the building.

- ★ **WHAT IS NEXT:**

- Connect with other user groups - gain alignment on our intent/ability to fundraise to support the options
- Progress of floor fundraising - should we put a push to the organization or community to ask for donations?
- Catapult
 - Met with Mike to give him packets of information on suggestions on how to reach out to different types of organizations for fundraising

ASSOCIATION MEMBERS

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Off-season topics:

- ★ Changes to by-laws
 - Voting members
- ★ Payment issues
 - How do we handle situations where families have yet to provide any payment by the end of the year?
 - Scholarships??
- ★ Financial policy for broken/missed payment plans
 - Do they need to be updated with consequences and options?
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