

**Duluth Amateur Hockey Association
Board Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, February 25, 2026
Incline Station/Spot Bar meeting room @ 7:00 p.m.**

Board members: Ethan Ault, (W) Craig Moe (At-Large), Brian Houck (At-Large), Rolf Flaig(W), Bill Whiteside (At-Large), Dave Moline (East rep), Ryan Sandefer

Board Members absent: Fred Lewis (East),

Sub Association Representatives: Justin Finke (Piedmont), Jeff Reisdorf (Denfeld), Alex Eurlle (Duluth Heights), Jennifer Lovely (Portman), Jason McDonald (East), Nick Licari (Glen Avon), Quin Flaig (Icebreakers),

Sub Association Representatives absent: Darrel Eckenberg (GMP), Tyler Yentsch (Woodland),

DAHA Staff: Jason Hirt, Casey Kudler, Clare Markley,

Staff absent: Open Executive Director position

Secretary's Report:

Approval of January Minutes emailed 1/26/25 Motion Ethan 2nd Quin – unanimous.

Agenda: Approved Unanimous.

Call to Order: 7:02pm

Treasurer's & Finance Committee's Report: Bill Whiteside

Financial update - discussion

January Finance committee commitment to propose alternative billing system for 2026. – not able to meet in February

President's Report: Ryan Sandefer

Interim Executive Director Plan

Executive Director's Report: defer to President.

Players and Coaches Development Committee Report: Casey Kudler

PCDC – 9 teams going to regions this year vs 8 previous. Squirt program – all B2 teams within top 50% of Districts. Concerns about tournament competition level for East PW B2s.

Projections of Squirt to Pee wee. Also considering two Squirt B1 Teams.

Parents Survey, Coaches Survey. Mite 3 on 3 first week of April.

Rule and Grievance Committee Report: Ethan Ault –

Two Active Cases of Parent Conduct

Rink Association Committee Report: Jennifer Lovely –

- Jamboree payout updates
- Outdoor rink remapping update – Incomplete in February. Should be complete in March.
- Interest in youth house teams and Learn to Play – more grant work with Ashley
- Get squirt group to meet with rinks - Casey

Facilities Committee Report: Fred Lewis / Jason Hirt

- Zam Purchase update – '95 Zam 500 \$12500 – \$1500 travel – 2500hrs service – excellent maintenance log + reference from RR. \$7300 repairs to old Fryberger Zam.
 - Heritage agreement is more favorable than originally thought.
 - Motion to approve partnership for \$10k with Heritage that would give them access to a Fryberger Zam for breakdowns. Motion Rolf, 2nd Nick. Unanimous. No Abstentions.
- Fryberger evaluating heaters and Livebarn.
- March 15th last day of ice – GA Jamboree.

- Post final day clean up
- Concession evaluations.
- MDH dinged Woodland – Jennifer will investigate requirements for ServeSafe

DAHA Office Update: Clare Markley-

Working to replenish the Hank Jensen Fund. There were 8 applications in 2025. Derek Montgomery Foundation also helped families with sub associations fees and assessment fees. Requests from two J-Gold members for help on final assessments. Motion Rolf, 2nd Ethan to provide \$400 each to J.Gold. Discussion. Clare to bring Thank you card for DMF. Unanimous no abstentions.

Coaches appreciation event.

D11 tournament concerns – Clare has schedule of all D11 tourneys – Clare to distribute the schedule and take feedback for March meeting.

Old Business:

November Meeting – extended discussion on registration decline (squirt teams down, Learn to skate down), long term viability of Denfeld. Tabled multiple months - **Tabled**

New Business –

Learn to Play – Ashley Hirt – Couple dozen participants.

Summer special session for Learn to Play

August 21 – Movies in the Park

Staff excused for Closed session

End Time: 8:39pm

Motion to close Jeff. 2nd Craig. Unanimous.

Next meeting: Wednesday, March 25th, 2026, 7:00pm Spot Bar