PHA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MEETING DATE: August 12, 2026 @ 6:00 pm **LOCATION:** Sublette County Library - Board Room

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Board Members in attendance: Allysa Booth, Morgan Powers, Amber Anderson, Emily Lucke, Andrew Walker, and Tamara Currah
Other Attendance: Mindy Seehafer, Natalie Anderson*, Kristy Kolek*, and Tyler Hofer
Indicates Virtual Attendance
President Tamara called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

Approval of Minutes

- 7-8-2026 PHA Mtg Minutes

A motion was made to approve the July 8, 2026 meeting minutes.
Moved: Morgan Powers Second: Emily Lucke
Vote carried

Reports

Board Members

- President (Tamara Currah) - Tamara provided updates regarding WAHL. An update was also provided on the status of combining the PHA 14U Bantam team with the Fremont Freeze for the upcoming season. Tamara reported that White Pine Adventure Inn recently completed renovations and is interested in partnering with PHA by offering discounted lodging rates for visiting teams.
- Vice President (Colt Nelson) - Not in attendance.
- Secretary (Allysa Booth) - none
- Treasurer (Emily Lucke) - none
    - Financials (Mindy Seehafer) -

A motion was made to approve the July 2026 Financial Statements below:
July: GL, SFP, and SFA
Moved: Morgan Powers Second: Emily Lucke
Vote carried

A motion was made to hire Mandy Brisco to prepare and file PHA's 2025 IRS Form 990.
Moved: Morgan Powers Second: Amber Anderson
Vote carried

- Registrar (Morgan Powers) - none
- Scheduler (Andrew Walker) - Andrew shared his research regarding the challenges of recruiting officials, noting that parent behavior is the primary factor affecting recruitment and

retention. He also discussed opportunities to recruit High School players to become certified referees, reviewed the certification process and discussed the potential for Grant to host a Level 1 referee clinic.

- GameSheet (Amber Anderson) - Amber discussed the need to update the tablet at the rink in preparation for the upcoming season.
    - She also provided an update on the Pinedale Travel and Tourism Grant and reviewed the outstanding items needed to keep the grant process moving forward, including obtaining a certificate of liability insurance and documenting hotel contacts and discussions. Emily will look into obtaining the certificate of liability insurance.
    - Amber also provided an update on the Recreation Board Grant and emphasized the need to order the approved items. Amber and Emily will work with Grant to order the nets through the rink.

Committees

- Community Engagement & Recruiting Committee - Discussion regarding the Launch Party was deferred to later in the meeting.
- Fundraising Committee - The committee reported that approximately $7,800 has been committed in sponsorships to date. Efforts to secure an additional top sponsor are ongoing.
    - Foundation 23 - Amber provided an update. Further discussion regarding Foundation 23 and the scholarship program was deferred to later in the meeting.
- Coaching Committee - Tamara presented the role and position description for a Coach-in-Chief. The board discussed making this a board-appointed position rather than assigning the responsibility to a board member. The board identified several coaches who may be interested in serving in the role and discussed seeking input from the coaching staff regarding the position. Tamara will reach out to potential candidates and the coaches.
    - 6U Practice Format, Prerequisite, Learn to Skate - Discussion was deferred to later in the meeting.

Other Reports

- Pronghorns - Morgan reported that the Pronghorns are conducting a fundraiser and will provide the board with updated financial statements.

Comments from Attendees - None

Information - None

New/Old Business

1. Registration -
    a. 26-27 Registration Numbers - Morgan reviewed current registration numbers for the 2026-27 season. Registrations remain low; however, Morgan reported that approximately 24 players are expected to register for the 12U division based on outreach to previous players.
    b. Out-of-town Players

        A motion was made to approve Kolbee Curtis's request to join the PHA Girls team in order to support roster numbers.

        Moved: Morgan Powers Second: Andrew Walker

Vote carried

A motion was made to approve Brock Curtis's request to join the PHA 12U team in order to support fielding two complete 12U rosters.

Moved: Andrew Walker Second: Emily Lucke

Vote carried

A motion was made to approve James Anderson's request to play up and join the PHA High School team in order to support roster numbers.

Moved: Morgan Powers Second: Emily Lucke

Vote carried

c. Dual Roster/Player Up

A motion was made to approve Rhett Powers's request to dual roster on the 8U and 10U teams in order to support roster numbers.

Moved: Emily Lucke Second: Amber Anderson

Vote carried

d. WAHL Declarations - due Sept 12th. The board discussed the following WAHL declarations for the 2026-27 season.
   - High School B team
   - 12U A team and a 12U B team
   - 10U A team

2. Coaches/Teams
   a. 6U
      - **6U Practice Format** - Tyler presented a proposed format for the 6U program. He discussed that some younger or inexperienced players often stop participating around January. He proposed splitting the season into two sessions while maintaining a single registration. The board agreed with the proposed concept.
        - Session 1: October 28 through December 6, ending with the Rock Springs Tournament.
        - Holiday break.
        - Session 2: January 4 through March 14, ending with the Jackson Tournament.
      - **Try Hockey for Free** - The board discussed the Try Hockey for Free event. Tyler offered to assist with coordinating and scheduling the event with Grant. The board discussed **September 20 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.** as a potential date and time for the event. The board also discussed advertising the event through the schools.
      - **Learn to Skate** – The board discussed the Learn to Skate program and clarified that it is intended for participants who are learning to skate rather than as a skating clinic for experienced skaters. Experienced skaters will have the opportunity to further develop their skills at the PHA preseason skating camp with Tape2Tape. Tamara will reach out to who did it last year and see if they want to do it this year
      - **Equipment Checkout** - The board discussed setting an early equipment checkout date, as some families are eager to obtain equipment.
   b. **Assistant Coaches** – Tamara presented the assistant coach selections for the 2026-27 season. The board reviewed the proposed selections.

c. **Bantams** – The board discussed the Bantam cooperative team with Riverton. Riverton will serve as the host team, with Pinedale players registering through PHA and Riverton players registering through Riverton. Riverton is looking for additional Saturday ice time. The board also discussed several options for practice-only coaches at the 14U level. Morgan will work with Kelli on advertising the coaching position.
d. **12U** – The board discussed anticipated roster numbers for the 12U division and determined that PHA will need to declare two teams for the upcoming season. The board reviewed team structures used by other associations, available competition levels, and current player abilities and agreed that the teams should be structured as an A team and a B team. The board also discussed coaching needs, team management, and the use of impartial evaluators during tryouts. Morgan will work with Kelli to increase awareness of coaching opportunities within the 12U and 14U divisions through Facebook. Amber will prepare a letter to 12U families regarding the proposed team structure.

A motion was made to declare a 12U A team and a 12U B team for the 2026-27 season.
Moved: Morgan Powers Second: Emily Lucke
Motion carried by majority vote.

3. Board Liaisons – Tamara presented an overview of the role and responsibilities of a Board Liaison. The following liaisons were assigned to each team:
    a. High School – Morgan Powers
    b. Girls – Emily Lucke
    c. Bantams – Andrew Walker
    d. Peewees – Tamara Currah
    e. Squirts – Amber Anderson
    f. Mites – Colt Nelson
    g. Mini Mites – Allysa Booth

4. Scholarship Program - Amber presented a scholarship application form and discussed the use of Foundation 23 funds to support scholarships. The board discussed directing future scholarship donations through Foundation 23 and approved the scholarship application process. Amber will convert the application form to a Google Form to simplify the application and submission process.

A motion was made to transfer $1,000.50 of Foundation 23 funds into a separate account line to be established exclusively for scholarship funds. Future scholarship donations received through Foundation 23 will be deposited into this account.
Moved: Emily Lucke Second: Morgan Powers
Vote carried

5. Tape2Tape – Tamara presented a preseason hockey development camp provided by Tape2Tape. The camp will be conducted prior to the start of the season and will be available exclusively to players registered with PHA for the 2026-27 season. The camp will include four hours of instruction for each age division, with an additional two hours of body

checking instruction for eligible older players. The board agreed to the following tentative camp schedule:

a. Bantam/High School/Girls: September 8, 9, and 10 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
b. 6U/8U: October 12, 14, 19, and 21 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
c. 10U/12U: October 12 and 14 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Tamara will discuss the proposed schedule with Grant.

A motion was made for PHA to cover the $3,500 cost of the Tape2Tape camp.
Moved: Amber Anderson Second: Morgan Powers
Vote carried

6. Launch Party - The board discussed moving the Launch Party from its traditional September timeframe to later in the season to serve as a mid-season event. The board discussed incorporating Sponsor Night and other PHA activities into the event. As part of this discussion, the board reviewed potential dates for the annual Gear Swap.
    a. Gear Swap
        - Equipment collection: Week of September 28
        - Equipment pickup: October 12 and October 14

    Amber will follow up with Grant regarding Gear Swap.

7. 26-27 Practice Schedule - The board reviewed the proposed practice schedule for the 2026-27 season. The following first practice dates were discussed:
    a. Girls and High School: September 15
    b. 10U: October 19
    c. 12U: October 19
    d. 6U/8U: October 28

8. State Bids - The board discussed hosting opportunities for the 2026-27 WAHL State Tournaments and agreed to submit bids for Peewee A, Peewee B, Girls, and High School divisions.
    a. HS. Feb 25th - 28th
    b. Girls Feb 19th - 21st
    c. Bantam Mar 5th - 7th
    d. Peewee Feb 26th - 28th
    e. Squirts Mar 5th - 7th

9. Four Pines/concussion talk - The board discussed Four Pines' proposal to provide concussion training for PHA athletes, parents, and coaches. Tamara will follow up with the coaches and Four Pines to gauge interest and availability.
    a. The board also discussed the Sway concussion testing application, which can be used to establish baseline testing and provide concussion recovery guidance. Amber will gather additional information regarding the program.

10. Wyoming ESA - The board discussed the Wyoming Education Savings Account (ESA) program. Amber will gather additional information and report back to the board.

A motion was made at 9:03 pm to adjourn the meeting.
Moved: Morgan Powers Second: Andrew Walker
Vote carried.

Next meeting - Wednesday, September 9th @ 6:00 pm - Pinedale Library Conference Room