

NTS Co-op Committee Meeting 7/27/2026

The meeting opened at 6:30.

Present were Alex and Steve from St Francis, Jason and Steve/Heather from North Branch, and Jeff from Cambridge-Isanti. Joe was absent.

Board approved the minutes from 6-1

Steve T suggested that we send out an announcement about the new website. Jeff said that he is able to pull last years registration from Sports Engine to retrieve emails. Alex asked about an NTS FB page. Apparently we have one, but we don't know who has administrative access. North Branch is the association in charge of communications this year and will handle NTS emails as well as FB posts once there is administrative access. Jeff will inquire about that with CI.

Grade Waiver projections were discussed. Currently, it is likely there will only be one.

15U – Jeff reported that Princeton is not likely to have either a 15U or 12U team. He suggests we offer to let those girls waive in. Steve T reported that parents were asking about making two teams at the 12U level. Alex asked about D10 policy regarding if an association can't have a team. Jason confirmed that D10 would rather waive all the affected players into a single association as opposed to them going to different associations. Jason will communicate with Colleen expressing an interest in taking all of the Princeton players at 15 and 12U. We discussed the potential issues and goalie coverage at the 12U level and decided to move forward with exploring that option. Jeff indicated that there are options if needed for the remaining 15U players should the HS take all of the second year players.

Tournament Update – Steve T reports that he received an email last week indicating changes in one of the 15U tournaments. We will get a refund and need to find another option because they changed to only having A teams participate. He will follow up to confirm and find another option if needed. All other tournaments are set.

Updates – Steve told us that St Francis is having a positive coaching meeting and they are opening it to the parents on August 4th.

We discussed try out dates. Alex said there was a change and she will send that out to be posted.

St Francis is also going to engage Cal Miska alternating Mondays. They will continue with MEGA Goaltending. They are looking at contact training. St Francis is doing pre-season

training and it is open to NTS players. They are doing learn to skate, try hockey, and In The Sticks.

Jeff said they have preseason skating dates set. They had to push their registration closing later than they hoped (August 31) because of the change to Crossbar and they needed to leave enough time for registration after they were ready to open. They are changing how they run the Miska training to better handle keeping the skills closer among the players on the ice. CI is also running a goalie clinic that is open to NTS players.

We discussed if we want to have assigned training or if we want to continue to allow the NTS players to attend extra clinics at all of the associations. We decided to continue as we have been doing this year, but to track attendance to evaluate. NB does not have the capacity to add NTS players to the goalie training.

Jerseys – Concerns were expressed about ordering from overseas because of shipping delays and potential time involved in making any corrections. We decided to have C-I handle the uniforms again because of the local connection and because they believe the issues from last year have been addressed.

Parent committee – Alex suggested that we ask parents if they have interest in a committee as part of our email announcing the new website. Heather will write up an initial letter and will include an ask about who is interested and how much time they are able to devote.

The meeting closed at 8:30.

Dates to remember:

August 4 – Positive Coaching Training, St Francis American Legion

Parents 6:00-7:00

Coaches 7:15-8:45

August 18-21 Brick Wall Goalie Camp, Cambridge Isanti

August 24-September 9, Sharpen Your Edges Clinic, St Francis

(9/12-9/15) In the Sticks Tournament

Preskates: time TBD

Thursday, September 11

Friday, September 12

Monday, September 15

Try Outs

Scrimmage 1, 9/18/25

6:00-7:00 12U

7:10-8:10 10U

8:20-9:20 15U

Goalie Skills 9/20/2025

9:00-11:00

Skater Skills 9/20/2025

2:40 - 3:40 10U Skaters

3:50 - 4:50 12U Skaters

5:00 - 6:00 15U Skaters

Scrimmage 2, 9/21/25

8:00-9:00 15U

9:10-10:10 12U

10:20-11:20 10U

Pool Play, 9/23/25

6:00-7:00 12U

7:10-8:10 10U

8:20-9:20 15U