

August 2026 LFYHA Board Meeting Minutes – 8.17.2026

PRESENT: Kari Houle, Megan Schulte, Lynn Houle, Robin Pohlman, Lisa Bitz, Don LaBorde, Andy Petersen, Heather Brill, Emily Branum, Kimberly Hilmerson, Staci Stoerzinger, Chris Dobis, Ben Newman, Justin Welle, Cameron Voigt

Call to Order: 5:30pm

1. Approval of Agenda

- a. Motion to Approve Agenda: Heather Brill
Motion 2nd: Emily Branum
All in Favor – No Objections – Agenda Approved

2. Secretary's Report – Megan Schulte

- a. Approval of July Minutes: Kim Hilmerson
Motion 2nd: Staci Stoerzinger
All in Favor – No Objections – Motion Approved

3. Treasurer's Report – Lynn Houle

- a. BMO Checking:
 - i. Ending Statement Balance as of: 7/31/2026
\$4,343.84
 - ii. Ending Register Balance as of: 7/31/2026
\$4,343.84
- b. Mid MN FCU Checking:
 - i. Ending Statement Balance as of: 7/31/2026
\$64,814.73
 - ii. Ending Register Balance as of: 7/31/2026
\$64,469.73
- c. Mid MN FCU Concession:
 - i. Ending Statement Balance as of: 7/31/2026
\$1,794.15
 - ii. Ending Register Balance as of: 7/31/2026
\$1,794.15
- d. Concession Stand Petty Cash:
 - i. Ending Statement Balance as of: 7/31/2026
\$0.00
 - ii. Ending Register Balance as of: 7/31/2026
\$0.00
- e. Mid MN FCU Savings:
 - i. Ending Statement Balance as of: 7/31/2026
\$24,400.45
 - ii. Ending Register Balance as of: 7/31/2026

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- f. Edward Jones Money Market
 - i. Ending Statement Balance as of: 7/31/2026
\$20,255.31
 - ii. Ending Register Balance as of: 7/31/2026
\$20,255.31
- g. Other Notes: Net income for the month was 13,371.05 due to skater registrations and home tournament registrations. Edward Jones accounts have been transferred to a new advisor.
- h. Motion to Approve July Treasurer's Report: Kim Hilmerson
Motion 2nd: Staci Stoerzinger
All in Favor – No Objections – Motion Approved

4. Gambling Report – Robin Pohlman

- a. Ending Checkbook Balance as of: 7/31/2026
- b. Ending balance: \$101,885.61
- c. Taxes to be paid: \$4,584.55
- d. Net profit/loss for July: \$-3,420.95
- e. RTO: \$2,030
- f. Rent: Rustic: \$5,574.54
- g. Main Gate: \$2,641.34
- h. Ballroom: \$
- i. Misc expenses: \$101.05
- j. Other Notes: Lower taxes paid this month. Miscellaneous expenses were for supplies, totes, etc. Raffle tickets are in and the cost was \$354. There were site inspections at both locations, couple of minor things but they have already been fixed. Audit is still in process. Still haven't received an invoice from Paper Storm. Teresa is ready to take over for Beth. Beth will be compensated for her time spent with transfer. After further research on how gambling taxes are calculated we have a better understanding and can be more logical going forward on how we want to spend money made by gambling.
- k. Motion to approve a donation of \$10,514.36 from gambling to LFYH to cover tournament registrations: Kim Hilmerson
Motion 2nd: Heather Brill
All in Favor – No Objections – Motion Approved
- l. Motion to Approve July Gambling Report: Kim Hilmerson
Motion 2nd: Staci Stoerzinger
All in Favor – No Objections – Motion Approved

5. Concessions Report – Lisa Bitz

- a. We need to purchase a new pizza oven, the price ranges from \$175 - \$250.
- b. Motion to approve the purchase of a new pizza oven not to exceed \$300:
Heather Brill
Motion 2nd: Andy Petersen

All in Favor – No Objections – Motion Approved

6. Referee Coordinator's Report – Don LaBorde

- a. We have two new adult refs that are interested this year.

7. V/P Tournament Director's Report – Andy Petersen

- a. Busy month with registrations. We need one more team for both Peewee B and Squirt B, others have been filled.

8. Scheduler's Report – Matt Poepping – Not Present

- a. We will start scheduling district games later this week.

9. Registration Report – Heather Brill

- a. Board members need to check USA hockey registrations.
- b. Crossbar has an account with an outstanding balance of \$103. This was likely a credit card issue and it is believed that the balance was paid via cash. We will update this manually and we can review this monthly going forward.
- c. We currently have 103 skaters registered for the season. There are some new families, 8 ice mites and 2 mites. Only one player has said they are not coming back. More registration reminders were sent to ice mites and mites.
- d. Craft fair parking dibs hours will be available. Based on previous years, we usually make about \$1,500. We need to go heavier with the hours in the morning, adding an extra individual for early hours and minimize the later shifts. Hours are earned by hours worked, no extra hours for kids being present.

10. Member at Large Report – Emily Branum

- a. Nothing to report

11. Fundraiser's Report – Open Position

- a. Nothing to report

12. Publicity Report – Kimberly Hilmerson

- a. Will continue to post about registration and align with recruitment efforts.

13. Girls Coordinator's Report – Staci Stoerzinger

- a. Girls co-op teams are also working through ordering new jerseys. Individual players will be ordering on their own so if LFYH covers the cost of the jerseys like the co-ed teams it would be a reimbursement. It would only be 3-4 players this year and it could potentially be reimbursed through Crossbar.
- b. Motion to approve covering the cost of jerseys for girls co-op players with the same stipulations and conditions as LFYH: Emily Branum
Motion 2nd: Heather Brill

All in Favor – No Objections – Motion Approved

- c. Retention and Recruitment Committee: Yard signs and vehicle stickers are here and ready to be dispersed. Postcards will be dispersed at elementary schools for prek – 4th grade students. Flyers with QR codes will be posted in community businesses. Open skates have been scheduled (ice time will be TBD). Social media presence – 3 posts a week. More to come on events during the season, plans include utilizing older kids in the program to create mentorship opportunities.

14. Coaches Coordinator's Report – Chris Dobis

- a. 15 coaches have filled out the survey so far, at least one at each level. As September gets closer, we will have to start finalizing coaches.

15. ACE Coordinator/Committees Director's Report – Ben Newman

- a. Fall camp will start September 14th, 3 days a week, 16 sessions total. We will continue to work with the high school team. In the past, the head coach set the price and the money went to them to disperse. This year we can set aside \$2,000 to pay the three coaches involved and reserve the rest of the money made for LFYH.
- b. Pep camp was the first week of October last year. We want to continue it again this year with 10-12 sessions. We didn't charge any extra for registrations, only paid the coach. Ben Newman will coach again this year with support from the team coaches.
- c. Net sizes at squirt and 10u levels are changing to smaller ones. The change will be in phases. We already have the nets. PDC will have to decide what we want to use as an association.
- d. Try out dates – Waiting on confirmation from Northern Lakes.
- e. Learn to skate – Last year's registration was through community services. We had 6 sessions running from October – November. It worked well last year so we will do it again this year, just need to connect with community services on registration.

16. Facilities Director's Report – Justin Welle

- a. So far we have 11 equipment rentals, need to determine dates and communicate to the association.
- b. We received \$500 from the gear up grant for new equipment.
- c. Outdoor rink – Not a lot of interest from people in wanting to look into a wood rink project, people don't want to take on the project. Received some quotes on replacing the current rink with poly and fiberglass options. Poly - \$20,000 just for product without install. Fiberglass - \$50,000 at the existing size plus an additional \$30,000 for installation. There is one more individual from St. Rosa lined up to take a look at things, otherwise options are limited.
- d. Jerseys will be ordered on the August 20th.

17. President's New Business

- a. Arena board update – Interviews for the new rink manager will start and official arena board business will continue. Ice rates are \$190, \$5 per year progression and will continue to go up. The surrounding area rates are \$210.

18. Open Floor

- a. Cameron Voigt discussed ice mite and mite coach compensation expressing that coaches would like to have dibs hours covered rather than be compensated. The board will continue to evaluate different options as decisions are made for the season.

19. Meeting Adjourned: 6:30pm

- a. Motion to Accept: Kim Hilmerson
Motion 2nd: Heather Brill
All in Favor – No Objections – Motion Approved

20. Next meeting will be held – Monday, September 21st, 2026 at 5:30pm at the Exchange Arena.