

**Date:** June 24, 2026 Board Meeting Minutes, 6 p.m.

**Present:** Ben Knepper, Lisa Armstrong, Justin Everson, Jody Neff, Jenna Borgen, Jacob Schauf, Jeanette Goodlet, Travis Bown

**Virtual:** Shawna Ireland (joined 6:20pm)

**Absent:** Tony Malsom

**Call to Order Time:** 06:06 pm

A. Minutes:

- a. The minutes from May were reviewed. Travis made a motion to approve the minutes, and Justin seconds the motion.

B. Financial Report

- a. Jenna makes a motion to approve the financials, and Nette seconds.

C. Old Business:

- a. Rink Projects, repairs (Keeping on the agenda so we don't lose sight of):
  - i. Add trophy case & speakers in mezzanine
    - 1. Trophy cases in progress - Todd Bates leading
    - 2. Mount for speakers is here in concessions.
  - ii. Replace light switches with motion sensors - Tony
  - iii. New locker room
    - 1. Bench needs painting - Tony
- b. Possible rink improvements - *keeping on the agenda*
  - i. Gravel parking lot to add additional parking.
  - ii. Replace stand heater timer - Tony will replace- this summer.
    - 1. Heaters are functioning correctly, timers are sticking.
  - iii. Cooling tower area - cover - Tony waiting to hear back from Brayden
  - iv. Cut the blacktop away from the building and add rock to increase drainage. (J&A might be able to do this, Tony will check).
  - v. *Add a gutter to the front of the building. \* Approved at the April Meeting.* - Tony hasn't heard back from contact, but on his radar.
  - vi. Repair rink boards
  - vii. Repair the toilet in the men's room. - DONE
  - viii. Glass around penalty box - *tabled for now per Tony, would need some custom build.*
- c. 2027 State hosting application submitted by Jody. - DONE
- d. WAHA meeting updates (Shawna and Justin)
  - i. Division 4 confirmation - Nothing mentioned at Spring meeting, but WAHA looking to eliminate Division 4 completely and move to 3 Divisions - See WAHA Rule Change R-4

- ii. Shawna to send out summary of Rule Changes and links to all of the documents from the WAHA Spring Meeting. Please look over the Rules Changes at minimum and bring any notes or questions to the following board meeting.
- e. Home tournament flyer is done (minus Bantam dates).
  - i. Nette and Jody to connect on WAHA registration and final ad payment for MN ads. In Progress.
- f. Update on Cumberland Co Op Discussion - Follow up meeting still needs to happen - Nothing scheduled with Graham at this point.
- g. Golf Outing - Work in progress to get a list of past sponsors from Mark. - Jody will work on getting the list from Mark. We need a contact to own and organize this event. Is Travis interested?
- h. Additional CD investment with Sterling Bank
  - i. Leaving on the agenda so we don't lose sight of.

## **New Business**

- A. Work hours buyout - update policies to have a set \$25/hour buyout.
  - a. Did this officially get updated.
  - b. DECIDE AT AUGUST MEETING.
- B. Rink Tech this week
  - a. Assessing for leaks. Tony communicating with them.
- C. Association Communication
  - a. WAHA online listing updated with new contact info
  - b. Website Additions/Parent Updates
    - i. Updated handout on fundraising \$ and matches.
    - ii. Arena sponsorship flyer finalize.
    - iii. Crossbar information so they can get registered
    - iv. Gilligans fundraiser, Quanax Fundraiser.
    - v. FB events created for gilligans, parade.
    - vi. Designing 2026-2027 Registration
    - vii. MN Wild Preseason game
  - c. Google Listing - Nette to update
  - d. Marketing/Recruiting Committee will meet prior to next BOD meeting and begin planning social media and back to school outreach.
  - e. Any pertinent updates on the 2026-27 season co-op plan.
    - i. Graham and Ben have not met yet. Co-op is happening for sure.
    - ii. Branding
      - 1. Northwest Iceman Youth Hockey - plan for 2027 season
        - a. Budgeting plan for jerseys.
        - b. Custom socks / Jerseys
        - c. Current consensus from BCYHA board is to plan re brand into next season, start prepping families for it now and involve them in what we can such as logo selection.

- 2. Barron Chetek Cumberland and using this more when we register with scheduling.
  - iii. Ben provided updates on longer term county combined hockey teams.
  - iv. Scheduling Meeting - Graham and Kelsey
  - v. Bantam Tournament Dates (Iowa B team interested)
    - 1. Last year Bantam A 12/6, Bantam B 1/24
    - 2. List of 2nd year Bantams to be sent to Ben to reach out to families.
  - vi. RL Girls Co Op - Kristi Barclay attempting to get Barron Co 10U female team together.
- D. Fundraising and Grants
- a. Mite Equipment Grant - Submitted 6/16.
  - b. If approved we need to pick it up 8/1 in Steven's Point.
    - i. Tony, Shawna possibly. Nette also available.
  - c. Grass Roots Grant - Submitted. Purchasing 2 I pads if we get it.
- E. Upcoming Events
- a. 07/03/2026 - Summer Slapshot, parade 7/4/26
    - i. What other sign up shifts are needed and prep needed?
    - ii. Flyers printed? Venmo signs? Coffee cans brought over for baskets, raffle tickets.
    - iii. Nette and Jody
    - iv. Tony has two guns purchased (100 square boards)
  - b. 08/01/2026 - Quanex
    - i. Event is cancelled
  - c. 09/12/2026 - Golf outing. Fire Dept Tri tip feed is this same day.
    - i. Marketing Committee to create flyer ASAP based on last year's event flyer.
    - ii. Jenna getting the signs from Mark.
    - iii. Travis will be the the main contact for it.
    - iv. Jody has a digital list of sponsors.
    - v. Burgers and hotdogs?? Soda and water.
    - vi. Logos and payment at the same time (Jody and Jenna).
    - vii. Shawna - blackstone for golf outing?
  - d. Printed off UTV event calendar. [Google Calendar - July 2026](#)
  - e. 10/24/2026 - THFF/Trunk or Treat
- F. Rink Usage (Ongoing)
- a. Jamie Charron renting tables and chairs. - Jody the contact person
  - b. Field development potential
  - c. Pickle Ball, Basketball 3-3 Hockey tourney's in late summer?, Camps/Activities  
What else can we do that doesn't require major build
- G. Building Codes and Access
- a. Once schedules are assigned let's discuss who will get codes and if/when the doors will need to be unlocked for events.
- H. Nette needs to add board meeting minutes onto the website.

**Next Board Meeting:** 07/29/2026, 6 PM

**Meeting Adjourned:** Justin made a motion to adjourn, Jacob seconds the motion.

**Items for the next meeting:**

- Lisa on Maternity Leave, will be absent.
- Remind Ben to bring glasses.
- Golf outing sponsorship list and signs
- Revision to the work hours policy officially (August)
- Wreath sales info and moving that into a week sooner.