

BCYHA Board Meeting Minutes

April 29, 2026

6:00 pm

Called to Order: 6:06 pm

Present: Nichole Brown (just staying until elections are done and new secretary has been decided), Ben Knepper, Lisa Armstrong, Tony Malsom, Justin Everson, Jody Neff, Shawna Ireland, Travis Bown, Jenna Borgen, Nette Goodlet, Jacob Schauf

Absent: N/A

Minutes:

- The minutes from March were reviewed. Tony made a motion to approve the minutes, and Ben seconds the motion.
- The minutes from the Annual meeting held in April were reviewed. Jody made a motion to approve the minutes, and Justin seconded the motion.

Financial Report:

- Jody brought the proposed budget for the 2026-27 season.
- New fiscal year, so there is no budget included.
- Jody has collected around 5k from families who owed for fundraising and work hours. There are only a couple outstanding payments for the previous year. Jody will continue to try to collect those
- Jon Halverson reached out to Jody about their outstanding balance due for fundraising via email. On another note, our by-laws state that our association will reimburse a family for a goalie stick. The Halverson's did purchase two sticks this year. If they can provide supporting documentation for the cost of a stick, we will offset the amount due for fundraising.

Tony makes a motion to approve the financials, and Travis seconds.

Budget for 2026-27

- The budget is based on the previous years revenues and expenses.
- Tony makes a motion to approve the budget after Jody updates the tournament amount (no state). Justin seconded the motion.

Officer Elections:

- President - Tony and Justin both suggested that Ben be President.
- Vice President - Tony and Ben both suggested that Justin be VP.

- Secretary - Nette would like to take over.
- Treasurer - Jody wants to continue being treasurer.

Old Business:

Leftover concession inventory

- Some inventory was sold at the gun show.
- Agree that Nichole will sell this to Cameron Baseball, and will let herself in to get the items.

Rink Projects, repairs (Keeping on the agenda so we don't lose sight of):

- Add trophy case & speakers in mezzanine
 - Trophy cases in progress.
 - Mount for speakers is here in concessions.
- Replace light switches with motion sensors
- New locker room
 - Bench needs painting
- Warranty work done on the furnace last week.

Possible rink improvements - **keeping on the agenda**

- Gravel parking lot to add additional parking.
- Replace stand heater timer - Tony will replace- this summer.
 - Heaters are functioning correctly, timers are sticking.
- Cooling tower area - cover
- Cut the blacktop away from the building and add rock to increase drainage.
- Possibly add a gutter to the front of the building.
 - Rough estimate for gutters to run on the east side of the building - \$3,000.
 - Jody motioned to approve the spend, Jenna seconded motion. All in favor.
- Repair rink boards
- Repair the toilet in the men's room.

Grants

- Jennifer Lehto still willing to do grant writing for us if we find additional opportunities.
- Rice Lake Community Health Foundation [Rice Lake Community Health Foundation | RLCHF.org](http://RiceLakeCommunityHealthFoundation.org)

Events

- VFW Gun Show April 17-18
- Circus - June 23
 - Not happening.
- Chetek Liberty Fest Parade - Saturday, July 4th.
 - Tony will call and get two spots next to each other.
- Gilligan's fundraiser - Friday, July 3rd.

- Set up 11-12pm
- Event 12-5 p.m. Good band following the event.
- \$200 value is dollar for dollar fundraising.
- \$100 raffle will be drawn this day.
- Sign up to be posted soon.
- Golf outing - Saturday, September 12th. - Next meeting in May.
 - Signage, Sponsorships
 - Small committee needed - Lisa has a lot of sign templates done already.
 - List of past sponsors., families get full credit for hole sponsors.

Additional CD investment with Sterling Bank

- Leaving on the agenda so we don't lose sight of.

WAHA proposal to move our association to Division 3

- Mark talked to Bob Normand today, got the impression that we were not going to be moved.

New Business:

- Work hour ideas
 - Buy out hours updating to eliminate buyout amount, make work hours a set dollar amount at \$25/hour.

Committee Reports

- Concessions - Jen Lehto will keep helping.
 - Lisa will transition the processes to Chevon Lewis.
- Marketing Committee - no update at this time.

Fundraising Updates

- UTV
 - Tony will handle raffle ticket distribution and tracking
 - Families that choose a business please let us know which business and be accountable for keeping that business replenished when they sell out of if they are not selling move them around.
 - 50% ticket sales to association members if you bring it to your own event.
 - Work hours if you sign up for an event we already have.
 - UTV EVENTS
 - Dairy Breakfast
 - Gilligan's event and Liberty Fest Parade
 - Barron Co Fair - opting NOT to do this.
 - Other ideas
 - Rice Lake race track - kid's night
 - PF Dairy Days
 - Farmer's Market at Country Lane Pantry
 - Tri county fair - Turtle Lake.

- Chetek Farmer's Market
 - Country Jam? - Tony working on that.
 - Oktoberfest in Dallas - JENNA BORGEN
 - Hungry Hollow - opting NOT to do this.
 - Ridgeland Tractor Pull - 9/6/2026
 - BCYHA Golf Outing 9/12
 - Winterfest Feb 2027 is the final drawing
- \$100 Tickets
 - Tony will handle these also.
 - 50% ticket credit.
- Kwik Trip Cards
 - Getting rid of cards and doing carwash cards only.
 - Carwash - Each family gets \$16 credit per card they sell.
 - Cost to buyer is \$36.00.
- Fundraising committee
 - No committee needed
 - Handout - one pager to families that explains the differences.
- Aluminum Cans
 - Will now count as work hours only for families instead of fundraising.
 - 1 work hour credit for loading dumpster.
- Restringing Nets - Tony ordering two more sets to finish the regulation size net frames that are here.

Scheduling of games/tournaments/advertising

- Co-op discussion with Cumberland
 - Cumberland Co Op
 - Needs to be a plan in place if we decide to permanently co op. If WAHA kicks back on the co-op, we need a contingency plan for CYHA to release their players to then register under BCYHA and fall under the CYHA bylaws.
 - Rebranding the teams to the Junior Iceman or the Iceman
 - Need to further discuss Logo use and Jersey options
 - Buyout with names, number stays with them
 - Ben and Graham spoke today. Meeting with their board to be scheduled prior to end of May - Ben to schedule this.
- Home tournaments - choosing dates will wait until after the meeting with CYHA.
 - Pee wee Tournament - December 11-13, 2026
 - Squirt Tournament - January 15-17, 2027
 - Both PW and SQ will be B and C level tournaments.
 - Register tournaments with WAHA - Nette and Jody
 - Scheduling - kick off meeting with Ben, Graham, and schedulers for mid June.
- Adding dryland trainings to practice schedules

Next board meeting: May 27 @ 6:00 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:14 pm- Justin made a motion to adjourn, Tony seconds the motion.

Items for next meeting

- Quanex summer party