

Butte Amateur Hockey Association (BAHA) Meeting Minutes, April 22, 2026

Call to Order

Jeni Mason
Jaki McCarthy
Kate Woods
Hunter Varney
Cheyenne Hollbrok
Jared Hansen
Jeff Dennehy
Rachel D'Amico
Mike Lasher
Chris Borton
Mark Ewanic
Bill LaVelle
Toni Byrne
Keonni LeProwse
Oly Peterson

Start – 6:37PM

Meeting Minutes- Approve Meetings Bill approves, Jaki seconds, all approved- approved

Welcome Mike Lasher- President Elect

Unfinished Business

1. Cooling tower update- The cooling tower in on site. Meeting last week with some of our folks from the rink. There are some concerns and a few additional components to get.
2. To-Do List- Reviewed
3. Fix Sprinkler System- winterized. Does need to be repaired before Summer. The control panel was shut down.
4. Zamboni update-
5. Jaies Heating and Cooling- Willing to work with the Association with all items regarding the cooling towers.

New Business

1. Chris Borton-Solar System/Going Green- discussed grant for solar power.
2. Kim Burnette-Leading fundraising/grant team- Kim Burnett will take over the fundraising and grants.
3. Toni Byrne-Big News- Raffle off tickets for Rock Creek Golf course. 250 tickets for \$100 each.
4. Travis Barry/Jeni Mason-Women's Hockey Team- Informed the board about the program they are trying to bring to Tech.
5. Scheduling for season- review in May
6. Zach Woods-Registration- Sibling discounts
7. Oly Petersen-Meat and Gun Raffle- picking winners each week.
8. Jared Hanson- hand full of interest in roller hockey during the summer. Bring a full structured proposal back to the board. Suggested the group paint the lines.

President's Report -Jeff Dennehy

1. No Update

President-Elect's Report – Mike Lasher

1. Recruitment to get more skaters.
2. Chad Senical from Helena put a group together from around the state to talk about numbers.
3. Motioned to shut adult program down until proposal on how they are going to run their program. Kate seconds-all **approved**
4. Reach out to other groups within the community to volunteer.

Secretary Report

1. Keep the registration rates the same. When need this approved by next meeting Two solutions to holding parents accountable. Kate motions Bill approves.

Treasurer's Report – Josh Harned

1. Current status of BAHA account(s)
 - a. Total Available Funds
 - b. Accounts Payable (bills to pay) and Receivable
 - c. M/S/P to pay bills – Motion to pay bills- Bills motions, Mike seconds- all approved.

- d. Outstanding invoices

High Performance Program Coordinator – Bill LaVelle

1. USA launched their development at 17u and 15u applications. MAHA's language for Tier 1 programs does not follow USA hockey languages.
2. Snowhawks are starting a AAA NAPHL with Canada in Billings.
3. NCAA eligibility for college only D 1 potentially. This is still being worked on. This can affect junior kids.

Rink/Building Manager – Jason Brown

1. Zamboni- two weeks, Mike will reach out to the board.
2. Storage- glass, boards, and now find a place for the cooling tower.
3. Rink manager-6 compressors need to be returned.

MAHA Representative – Katelyn Woods

1. Sarta money, submitted report. Should receive payment soon.
2. Attended Mill Levy to potentially get more grant money to help around the rink.
3. Pete Kamen is stepping down. MAHA board meeting is in June. Scheduling is in September.
4. TBID for the tourism. We may be a under surveyed market. Talk to Sarin or Hazlett.
5. Different opportunities to get other grants. Our County contact would write a letter of support.
6. Make sure we have permits.

Age Group Representative Director – BreAnna Evans

1. Not present

Registrar – Jaki McCarthy

1. No update

Referee-in-Chief – Mark Ewanic

1. No update

Next Meeting

May 11

Meeting Ajourned-10:30 p.m.

