



River Falls Youth Hockey Association
Meeting Minutes
December 10, 6:00pm to 7:30 pm
Wildcat Center



Attendance

- **Present** - Danny Schnacky, Jody Christensen, Heidi Van Nurden, John Robinson, Brigid Burhans, Pat Gundersen, Megan Ross, Caryn Weingartner, Megan Wieser, Vanessa Withers, Kyle Wright.
- **Absent** - Ben Seiser.

Call to order - Danny Schnacky. 6:03pm

Approve Consent Agenda - Last Meeting Minutes & Current Agenda

- Danny made a motion to approve the consent agenda. John seconded. All in favor. MC.

Guest(s) Present & Comments

- None present

President's Report – Danny Schnacky

- Squirt A down a couple of skaters; possible knee for one and collarbone for another. Currently 8 skaters and a goalie. Danny spoke to Mike and Fran at WAHA regarding a “what-if” scenario; provided overview of parameters for D2 games-essentially we can pull to cover as long as opposing team is fine with it-no need for actual roster changes.
- Ice time requests. Discussion regarding December ice-time and limited practice availability at all levels. Determined some changes for next year regarding availability we offer D2 etc.
- Feedback from CPDC regarding goalies. Change in dedicated goalie training session has some friction; feedback (though limited) “more socialization with goalies across levels”. CPDC indicates the MEGA goalie training is a significant ‘level-up’ from prior program.
- Credentialing: 10U coaches up are now all rostered. Still 3 mite coaches that are outstanding and being chased for this. Mite level leads will be asked to hold these coaches off the ice.
- Cross roster and coop requests all approved at all levels.
- AV/Audio request. From Josh Eidem recommendations on new equipment etc.-will revisit.
- Chuck a puck item. Was not permitted per the AD during high school games. No longer an objection; will resurrect this for the last 6 games.

Treasurer's Report – Heidi Van Nurden

- Heidi provided an overview of our current financial position and relevant updates regarding recent expenditures. This included a review of her recent meeting with our insurance agent, particularly in light of keeping the ice year-round.
- Changes to insurance policy, reduce zam coverage as we have had zam over-valued, Heidi recommends reducing coverage on zam and using premium savings to increase the umbrella policy to \$2MM. John made a motion to approve the changes as presented. Megan R. second. All in Favor. MC.
- Concessions stand issues relating to cost and expenses. Heidi did a deep-dive on concessions staff with expenses etc. Eliminating some lines that are not making a profit, raised prices as necessary. Will continue to monitor.

Old Business.

- Rink Manager update. Interview guide out to the panel. 5 candidates applied presently. Will schedule interviews shortly.

- Old youth banners; will be disposed of.
- High school senior banners item is approved per outside vote via text.
- Survey results: Caryn presented summary results of the recent association-wide survey and will provide further summary to the board.
- Board member HS game assignments
 - Covered above in presidents report

New Business

- Building Operations
 - John made a motion that we purchase a spare compressor to have on-hand (\$8,000) based on Ben & Total Mechanicals recommendation; citing scarcity, increasing cost etc. Heidi seconded. All in favor. MC.
- Heidi to follow up with the school regarding the scholarship award with the school councilors etc.

Board Comments; Q&A on submitted monthly Operations Committee Reports

- See reports below.

Comments, Announcements, Other Business

- Moving D2 games for rescheduled Fusion games. Moving game for playoff game. Will need to pay D2 \$150. SQC game. Fusion maybe 1/15. They will cover the cost.

Adjourn

- John made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Danny seconded. MC. Meeting adjourned.

Confirm next meeting time

- Next board meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 14th, 2026 at 6pm at Wildcat Center.

Committee Reports

- See below

December 2025	Monthly Update	New Business Agenda for Discussion or Decision
On-Ice Operations		
Off-Ice Operations	Looking for a new equipment manager for next season, this role currently gets full hours, but will be looking to lower that to 25 hours for the 26-27 season. If anyone has anyone in mind let me know. Tournaments are on track,	
Building Operations	Total Mechanical began the new annual contract 12/09/25 and were out at the rink for the monthly inspection. Recommend purchase of spare compressor for the engine room - approximate cost of \$8,000. Concerns should we have a failure are increasing cost, increased scarcity and long lead times.	Purchase of a spare compressor to have on-hand.
Member Recruitment & Retention		
Fundraising & External Relations		
Financial Operations	Met with Tim Newton-North Tech Insurance to review policy. Getting quote to increase umbrella 1M to 2M to 3M. Change in operations will not impact coverage needed.	High concession expenses-will provide summary