WHA Meeting Minutes
Date: Tuesday, October 13, 2026
Location: PLIA Community Room 1
Time: 7:00 pm Board Meeting

Board Members Present ☒ & Absent ☐:	☒ Todd Randall (President)	☒ Brent Boettcher, League Director A
	☐ (Past President)	☒ Clair Martinsen, League Director B
	☒ Nate Albertson (Vice President)	☒ Chris Gromis, At Large Director A
	☒ Allison Mathews (Treasurer)	☒ Nate Shuller, At Large Director B
	☒ Beth Schmeling (Secretary)	☒ Maggie Grohs, Development Director A
		☒ Dave Musielewicz, Development Director B

Other Attendees: Casey Shuller, Molly Randall, Lucas Deutsch, Kristina Sutten, Mark Moffat, Abby Eide, Kris Dorneman, Lindsey Dorneman, Amber Schleushner, Collette Kreuger
Call to order 7:00pm

AGENDA for October 2026. Alison Matthews *moved to approve the October 2026 Agenda, Seconded by Dave Musielewicz. Motion Carried.*
MEETING MINUTES for September 2026: *Nate SHuller moved to approve September meeting minutes, seconded by Chris Gromis. Motion Carried.*

1. **TREASURER'S REPORT**
   a. September Financial Review. *Motion made by Maggie Grohs to approve the September 2026 financials, Seconded by Nate Shuller. Motion Carried.*
2. **OLD BUSINESS**
   a. Review Rail Sheet/Action Item List- reviewed and updated
   b. Calendar/Task review- reviewed
   c. DIBS- proposal being brought by Abby E.- Would like to add set position DIBS points to the spreadsheet at beginning of the year to make it easier for tracking. Karen Gromis brought forward wanting to **NOT** collect DIBS checks this year. Discussion had on how to bring awareness to needing to complete DIBS. Believe with the transparency of cross bar it will be easier to track progress. Will send out a mid year tally to let families know If they are delinquent.
   Dave M. made motion to not collect DIBS checks at the beginning of the year. Seconded by Nate Albertson. Motion carried.
   d. Approval of Clair Martinsen for board position. This was done electronically prior to this meeting.
   Nate Shuller made the motion to approve Clair Martinsen appointment to League director B. Seconded by Maggie Grohs. Motion carried.

e. Jersey Update- Boys Varsity jersey came out looking peach in color. Reordering in a different color at the tune of $6,500 on top of the original cost to order. Discussion had about possible fundraising to off set cost.
Dave M. Made a motion to move forward with purchase of new jerseys. Second by Kris Gromis. Motion carried.

3. **NEW BUSINESS**
   a. Phone caddies in locker rooms (KG)- Suggested by a parent to have caddy in the locker room to put phones in when kids go into locker room. There is a huge liability to phones then being stolen. Coaches will reinforce cell phone policy. No caddies will be bought at this time.
   b. Laker Homecoming Committee (KG)- In the past Missy had a team to run homecoming. Will continue to have her take care of Laker Hockey Homecoming.
   c. State meeting update(TR)- Gentleman's agreement to keep admission at $8 at for all SD associations. Board Roster needs to be complete and updated with registrar. Player rosters due 11/13/2026. All 17 and 18 year old kids need to complete safe sport. Can not be locker room monitors. USA hockey has a lot of changes happening. 5 play down requests for Bantam A to Bantam B. All allowed to playdown and be able to play in the state tournament.
4. **OFFICIAL COMMITTEES AND CHAIRS-** reports if any information

Coaching Committee, Nate Albertson, Vice President and Lucas Deutsch, Staff- Everyone is on the ice. Bantam coaches have officially been assigned as of Sunday. Dalton Kreuger assistant. Ryan Linke head coach.
DIBS/Volunteer Committee, Sabrina Welder, Chair- See above
Registrar, Kay Hughes, Chair- working on pre season rosters. Will need to complete a Board roster and send to state.

5. **GENERAL COMMITTEES**

Marketing & Fundraising Committee, Chris Gromis, Chair- No program this year. Will all be on the Dak board. QR codes for roster.
Nominations Committee, Kristina Sutten, Chair- Looking for tournament coordinators/chairs. Reducing the amount of DIBS needed for tournaments by having each team cover their own penalty box position. Away and home.

Open Positions and Needs:

Tournament Committee, Nate Shuller, Chair- Still some spots left open on pee wee A and C. JV tournament has historically had problems being filled. Other levels are slowly filling in.
Grow the Game Committee, Mark Moffatt-Chair- 84 players in mite programs. 50 at learn to play. THFF event growth up by about 30%. Learn to play kids can not use crossbar as they do not register through WHA. Requesting an extension on team snap to facilitate team communications and scheduling.

- New Families & Players Liaison, Maggie Grohs- first new family meeting last night. 7-8 attended. Talked about doing meetings for learn to play.

Equipment Committee, Lindsey Stricherz, Chair and Lindsey Dorneman, Jersey Coordinator Jersey Coordinator assistant – Alison Gerrish- Lucas has ordered some equipment.
IT Committee, Dave Musielewicz, Chair- follow up with Jeremy on HUDL.

6. **STAFF UPDATES**

Operations Manager, Lucas Deutsch-Senior showcase. Should the association pay for the seniors to go still or split cost.
Motion made by Nate Shuller to approve association to pay for 50% of cost for senior to attend senior showcase and family responsible for the other 50%. Seconded by Dave M. Morion carried.

Bus trips are ridiculously expensive. Boys in January- $5,500. Girls Cedar Rapids- $7,100. Rapid City instead would be $6,500. Will need to poll parents to see interest in bus trips.

Motion Made by Nate Shuller to approve bus trips. Seconded by Magie Grohs. Motion carried.
Business Manager, Karen Gromis- Need to ask for locker room codes to be changed. Lucas will ask Tom to have them changed.

7. **FACILITIES**
8. **ASSOCIATION WIDE INFORMATION-** Amber S. brought forward a concussion management app. It would be through big stone. Get a good baseline. Ability for real time evaluation from baseline. Would need to go through Big Stone therapy for clearance to return to ice. That would be an out of pocket expense for the family.

ADDITIONAL EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF NEEDED)
NEXT MEETING DATE: November 10, 2026 7:00 PM, PLIA

Nate Shuller made motion to adjourn meeting. Seconded by Chris Gromis. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned 9:03 PM.