

Pawling Youth Hockey
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
August 6, 2025 8:00 PM, Google Meet

ATTENDEES:

Scott Chin, Alicia Harklerode, Jennifer Connolly, Liz Gabari, Rob Stecher, Dan King, Michael Bersak, Dianne Thomson

REPORTS:

President - Rob Stecher

- Coach's meeting/safety meeting to be scheduled Sept 7th or 14th
- Still looking for a board member for fundraising/sponsorship and a Snack Shack manager

Registrar - Alicia Harklerode

- BOARD ROSTER has been submitted and approved
- Missing USA Hockey numbers for one coach
- Coaches/Managers - Spreadsheet is up to date
- New 6U/8U Safesport module must be completed by Dec 31st
- All teams have been created in the USA Hockey portal - cannot submit rosters until all coaches below have cleared through USA Hockey
- Reminder, Mites B has 7 coaches - only 4 can be on the bench for games
- CHC Registrar kick-off meeting was July 22 - notes from that meeting were sent to the board
- Managers/volunteers also need USA Hockey #, background check and Safesport
- Need team Binders from last year

Treasurers - Jennifer Connolly & Dan King

- Account Balances as of: July 31, 2025 (Statement, Reconciliation, and updated Treasurer Report received)
- Problem with Crossbar - ACH transactions not going through
 - Jen to send an email to the membership if this is not resolved by tomorrow (8/7)
- Pawling Youth Foundation approved 2025 grant request for \$5,000 - boards ordered and paid/cleared on 7/1 - Jen is working on the Grant Report
- PLEASE push sending invoices to pyhtreasurer@pawlingyouthhockey.org
 - Dan is contact for Venmo reimbursements - all requests should be submitted using MoneyMinder feature - QR code should be posted online for reimbursement request and pushed to coaches/managers - this will allow someone to request refund by filling out a form and submitting a picture of receipt.
- Venmo account update

- Dan has done cost analysis between a business account and a basic phone. The cheapest option is a low cost provider (Tello) with a basic phone and basic service for \$5/month
- Budgets created in MoneyMinder for each age group will be a work in progress as detailed info comes in over the year
- Insurance for the storage facility
 - Will be most cost effective to go through the facility for \$14/month
- Investments to be made in treasury bonds (Dan to handle)

Master Scheduler - Liz Gabari

- Will need certificate of insurance for each rink (Jen to handle)
- Trinity Pawling ice is confirmed through the end of February
 - Filling in holes at different rinks, including potentially Dodge road for mites in October?
 - Prime goaltending Friday nights (same as last year)
 - Tri-State Tuesday training (Liz to follow up)
 - We will need to utilize Dodge Road for 2 Fridays when Trinity Pawling has events
- McCann / Ice Time
 - Awaiting updated contract
 - We still have a 1.5 hour credit
- Brewster Studio
 - Deposit paid
 - Will cancel some of the Studio slots we no longer need
- South Kent
 - All squirt and PW teams will have roughly 5-7 games at South Kent due to ice time constraints at TP
- Refs are booked based off our current schedules

Secretary - Dianne Thomson

- Publishable format for monthly minutes is ready
 - Updated as of July 2025 and on the PYH Board Google Drive
 - Do we want to publish on the website going forward?
- Bylaws update
 - 2019 bylaws were never officially adopted due to 2020 covid shutdowns
 - Have downloaded 8 other youth hockey organizations' publicly published bylaws for reference
- Communication
 - Picnic - Aug 24
 - added to each team's schedule in Crossbar
 - Email reminder will be sent ~1 week in advance

- We will book an ice cream truck - no need for families to bring desserts or appetizers; we can order more food from Village Pizza
- Need for board member for fundraising
- Request for someone to spearhead Pawling FD parade
- Spiritwear/skate suit stores

UNIFORMS - Mike Bersak

- Sizing for first two summer ices went well
- Second (main) bulk order placed Aug 4th

SPIRITWEAR - Dianne Thomson

- Coaches' skate suits order placed July 22
- Players' skate suit store and spiritwear store to be open Aug 8th-27th

NYR LTP

- Posted on social media accounts today. Please like and share
- Flyers for schools are updated and ready to print.
 - Dianne will contact the schools to confirm numbers and get approval for distribution 1st few weeks of school
- **All Mites, PW and Squirt teams will be away MLK weekend, so we will need help for LTP**

SPONSORSHIP/FUNDRAISING - vacant

SNACK SHACK - vacant

MISC OLD BUSINESS

- Mens' league starts 10/19

MISC NEW BUSINESS

- Consider a backpack/first aid kit for snack shack
- We will need a tall narrow locker to replace the shed for the Edge Boss gear and pucks