

SAYHA Development Committee
Tuesday, August 18, 2026

Present:

Curtis Emerson
DJ Salquist
Bryan Keown
Nick Freeman
Kc Kronlund
Anne Focht

Absent:

Henry Vick

Public present:

Jordan Burch
Alex Smith

Confirmation of Practice Schedule

1. Reviewed potential practice schedule to include a schedule before high school starts and after high school starts.
2. The schedule incorporates ice time for PeeWees and Bantams at Burnett Blizzard rink.
3. The schedule provides benefits for earlier practice times and during the week for younger hockey players.
4. Confirmed ice time requests from Rush.
5. Reviewed that zamboni responsibility is for the team starting practice (e.g. if PeeWees want fresh ice, then they are responsible to zamboni for their practice). This is a change from the previous year.
6. Reviewed dryland schedule and expectations that a coach or assistant must be present at all times when players are in the dryland space.
7. D.C. voted to approve the practice schedule. 6 yays, 0 nays.

Camp Opportunities

1. Rush requests ice time for a pre-season camp. SAYHA would receive the registration fees paid.
2. Northwest Express are interested in a pre-season camp for SAYHA skaters. Logistics not yet determined.

Coaching Assignments

1. Head coaches and assistant coaches have been identified for each level.
2. Confirm each coach is aware of WAHA training and expectations. Request Niki run report on Safe Sport training.

Learn To Skate and Learn To Play Hockey

1. Zach Dooley is finding a sponsor to assist families in paying for LTS and LTPH, which would require families to only pay for equipment rental fees.
2. First session of LTS and LTPH will be 10/17-11/7.

3. Try Hockey For Free day on 10/10 (this coincides with Jack O Lantern Fest). Will advertise LTS and LTPH at this event.
4. Flyers to go to schools to highlight these events and opportunities.

Mite Handbook

1. Zach Dooley created a thorough handbook to assist new coaches in developmental goals and expectations for young players.

PeeWee and Bantam Co-Ops with Burnett Blizzards

1. Co-op request will go before WAHA on Tuesday, September 1st.

Goalies

1. The Development Committee is aware of the shortage of goalie at Bantam level.
2. The Development Committee can dual roster players to assist with this shortage.
3. Recommend inviting potential second year PeeWee goalie parents to the next meeting to review this possibility.

Other Hockey Engagement Opportunities

1. Floor Hockey during the after-school program at Spooner Elementary.
2. 6:30-7:30AM on Mondays before school. Donuts included.
3. Chalk Talk monthly between Northwest Express coaches and SAYHA coaches

Next Development Committee Meeting will be on September 9th at 6:00PM