

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors



Date: August 5, 2026
Location: Matter More Coffee
Called to order: 6:40pm
Adjourned: 9:30pm

1. Roll Call & Quorum

Board Member	Role	Present
Rona Levin	President	Y
Doug Shipley	Vice President, Director of Ops	Y
Mike Doyle	Secretary	Y
Dan Raatz	Hockey Director	Y
Tom Reed	Member at Large	Y
Niel Brooks	Member at Large	Y
Brian Karg	Treasurer (non-voting)	Y

Quorum confirmed: Yes

Team Liaisons

Team	Liaison	Present
10u	Megan Posey	Y
12u	Melissa Coffiey	Y
14u	Nicole Moore	Y
16u	Jay Grable	Y
18u	TBD	N

2. Introductions

- *Introduction done by all.*
- *Role of team liaisons reviewed. Intermediary between the board and the team. Articulate both ways to the team and to the board. Hold questions until the end. Closed session if there are private meetings that need to happen.*

3. Approval of Agenda & Previous Minutes

- *Agenda: Approved*
- *Previous meeting minutes: May Posted/ July Distributed*
- *Note all minutes are posted to the website.*

4. Finance Review

- Account balances
 - \$49k Operating
 - \$3.5k General Fundraising
 - \$11k Scholarships
 - \$10k Working Capital
 - \$0k Team Fundraising Accounts
- Payments from today are not in the account yet.
- Teams keep 90% / 10% Goes to the organization.
- Relay (accounting system reviewed)
- Budget analysis – forecast vs. expenditures: on target
- Still need to move money from fundraising to operating income for practice jerseys. Looks to be less than \$3k.
- Givebutter accounts setup for each team. Please read what the money can and cannot be spent on.
- The money for the jerseys and socks will be billed to the families once they are received.
- Paid for 1 tournament/team from the fundraising account.
- All tournaments have been paid for. Roughly \$28k. 4 tournaments/team. Will be billed after the tournament.
- Deposit for National Bound team have been paid for but not the entire balance.
- Event fee is for the watch party from the Canes playoff run. Need to move money to cover the expense for fundraising dollars raised.
- Polar Ice bill for August will be \$3,281.

5. Board, Legal & Policy

- Tom's exit & open board seat planning CLOSED SESSION
- Fundraising
 - Defer team specific restaurant nights until later in the season 10/15 to give all teams an opportunity to organize.
 - Stay away from gift cards unless it's specifically for fundraising raffles. Gift cards if received should be given to the organization.
 - Ask before you solicit.
 - Open requests -
 - Fayetteville Marksmen - ok to go to information session
 - BWV - table until mid october
 - Blanket sales for 12u - approved.
 - Request made that each team designate 1 person to submit the requests.
 - Request made that only 1 person on each team have access to the fundraising account per team.
- Player Health and Safety Policy Approved via email. Just needs to be published.
- Sign off on policies - the kids and a parent first night of practice or before the first game. Doug to do.

6. Hockey Operations – Hockey Director

- Coaches Meetings
 - Scheduled for 8/14/2026 (all coaches)

- *Roster Submittal*
 - *Jenny is working on submitting all of them*
 - *Submitted Assistant Coaches to Jenny for compliance*
 - *Potential to add additional players (16u, 18u)*
- *Coaching Platforms*
 - *Ice Hockey Systems*
 - *The Coaches Site*
 - *Did not get grant from CAHA to offset costs for the platforms.*
 - *Look to get sponsorships/donations to offset cost.*
- *Coaches Reimbursement*
 - *Did not get grant from CAHA to offset reimbursements.*
 - *Look to get sponsorships/donations to offset cost.*
 - *1 coach said he would like to reduce his pay by \$250.00 and would like us to use it for other items. CLOSED SESSION*
- *Practice Schedule*
 - *Finalized and posted to Crossbar.*
 - *18u will have joint practices with Jr Pirates in Greenville, NC.*
- *League Schedule*
 - *Finalized (waiting on times for away games)*
 - *Exhibition Games (Head Coaches and Managers are working to fill slots)*
- *Open Game Slots*
 - *Every attempt will be made to utilize the ice or will attempt to sell.*
- *Tryouts*
 - *Potential for players from UNCW tryouts.*
 - *18u Goalie Out / Goaltender from Charlotte is trying out this Saturday.*
 - *Need to offset 18u tryouts for next season.*
- *18u*
 - *12 Skaters, 1 Goalie*
 - *Have 2 or 3 Jr Pirates skaters and 1 Goalie outstanding*
 - *Dues (Jr Seahawks Players different than Jr Pirates) depending on when and how they utilize their practice ice.*
 - *Home Games (Wilmington and Greenville)*
 - *Submitted for National Bound.*
- *Potential to have 4 refs for training purposes at no cost to organization*
- *CAHA Annual Meeting*
 - *Waiting to get slides from meeting*
 - *Was not able to attend the entire meeting.*
- *CHL*
 - *Risk of CHL disbanding after this season (lack of participation for teams and board members)*
- *ACHC*
 - *Can we push them to say when playoffs will be.*
- *Player Retention*
 - *Practice players*
- *Build an alumni page - previously approved.*
- *Post those who made the Carolina Alliance - approved.*

- *Player equipment - liaisons to pass along to their teams to check their helmet expiration otherwise they will not be able to participate. Remind families to check all equipment/sizing before the season starts to ensure everyone's ready.*

7. Committee Updates

- *Compliance: Jenny working on those who have certifications that are needed or expiring.*
- *Grants:*
 - *CAHA was not approved.*
 - *Canes was approved. Amount is TBD.*
 - *NC Outdoor Grant - pending. Hopefully we hear in September similar to last year.*
 - *Military Households - needs to be submitted by individual families.*
 - *There is a Blackbear Grant - Dan to send information.*
- *Merchandising:*
 - *Pure Hockey orders should have been fulfilled.*
 - *Other vendors are active.*
- *Public Relations:*
 - *Active post regarding kids who are active this summer.*
 - *10u and 12u rosters were posted.*
 - *14u and 16u rosters to be posted.*
 - *Player profile campaign to be done similar to previous years.*
- *Fundraising & Events:*
 - *Megan Posey - a potential candidate for chair.*
 - *Shake Shack Night*
 - *Chipotle Night*
 - *Red Robin Night - 9/29*
 - *Working on Power Bowls Night (Maybe all season long?)*
 - *Org-wise fundraising efforts*
 - *Polar Ice - Seahawks Night (Rona)*
 - *Pints for Pucks*
 - *Other ?*

8. New Business

- *None*

9. AOB / Open Forum

- *All positions being filled at the team level - assistant coach, team liaison, team manager, locker attendant, music, fundraising, penalty box, horn and live stream.*
- *Kickoff party - 8/23 (Dunk Tank - Doug?, Mobile Rink - Doug?)*
- *Liaisons Open Mic*
 - *10u - no*
 - *12u - no*
 - *14u - no*
 - *16u - no*
 - *18u - n/a*

10. Closed Session

- *Started 8:55*
- *End 9:30*

11. Next Meeting(s)

- *Board Meeting – 9/9 at 6:30pm*
- *General Meeting – 10/8*