

# Green Bay Area Youth Hockey Association Board Meeting Minutes

<b>Date:</b> March 10, 2026	<b>Time:</b> 7:02PM – 9:04PM	<b>Place:</b> Rinkside Room/Cornerstone
<b>Meeting Called By:</b> GBAYHA Board of Directors		<b>Type of Meeting:</b> GBAYHA Monthly Meeting
<b>Meeting Facilitator:</b> Nick Glander		<b>Notetaker:</b> Jessica Kimps
<b>Board Attendees:</b>		
Nathan Conoley* <del>Mike Dahleen</del> Joni Gegare* Nick Glander	<del>Sarah Golden</del> Robin Hester Jessica Kimps Kelly Losey	Nick Maricque <del>Dave McDowell*</del> Natalie Mitchell* Jessie Pondell* Mike Szkodzinski – Cornerstone Rep
		Amanda Sargent* - left early Nicole Smith* Tori Szkodzinski – left early *current term ends April 14, 2026
Joey Gerarden – Hockey Director		
<b>Guest Attendees:</b>		
Mikaela Messerschmidt, Amber Baugnet		
<b>Meeting Topics</b>		
<b>Topic:</b>	<b>Presenter:</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Call to Order Roll Call	Nick G.	Nick @ 7:02PM
Approve Agenda	Nick G.	1 <sup>st</sup> - Natalie 2 <sup>nd</sup> - Amanda All in favor, none opposed.
Approve Prior Meeting Minutes	Nick G.	1 <sup>st</sup> - Amanda 2 <sup>nd</sup> - Natalie All in favor, none opposed.
Raffle Ticket Drawing Winners	Nick G.	1 - \$500 winner 4 - \$50 winners 1. \$500 – Cory Kasten 2. \$50 – Nick Anderson 3. \$50 – Jereme Jensen 4. \$50 – Jon Shallow 5. \$50 – Kristofer Engebret Picture completed and email sent to Jayne Sharka
Presidents Update	Nick G.	<p><b><u>WAHA State Champions - Congrats to:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10U Co-ed (Squirt) Gold</li> <li>• 12U Co-ed (PW) Gold</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Austin Bush Memorial Tournament – Squirt C</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Terry and Nan Bush</li> <li>• Discussed with him what we used the scholarships for to date.</li> <li>• Terry and Nan would like to sponsor the trophies for the tournament going forward.                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Nick will follow up with Don on that.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b><u>USAH National Championship</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Updated – 141 open volunteer spots, working with GBAYHA families to sign up for their shift. Will encourage people to sign up for more shifts. Large fundraiser for GBAYHA. Will send</li> </ul>

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		<p>notifications encouraging people to attend, will be a lot of highly skilled hockey players here, would be a great thing for kids to watch.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2027 – May be hosting another national tournament next year, still working through the details and waiting for formal announcement on if we were awarded.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>End of Year Survey</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parents - 90 responses to date.</li> <li>• Coaches - 7 responses to date.</li> <li>• Will continue to monitor incoming responses and go over results in June Meeting</li> </ul>
<p>Cornerstone Update</p>	<p>Nick G.</p>	<p><b><u>Cornerstone Rink 4 Update:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fundraising at \$20.2M. 2.8M is the fundraising goal.</li> <li>• Still on track for Fall 2026</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Cornerstone Update:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Will be restructuring roles / duties / personnel this summer. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Jay Boxer and Jayne Sharka will be retiring in summer of 2025</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Is looking for a full-time maintenance / janitorial professional.</li> </ul>
<p>Director of Hockey</p>	<p>Joey Gerarden</p>	<p>Coaches Meeting held on 3/9/2026 – working on determining coaching committee members, realigning needs. Some highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Received some great feedback on IHS, has some ideas on how to implement more usage next season.</li> <li>• Reviewing current mite structure to get back to more emphasis on skill development and less focus on tournaments every weekend</li> <li>• Evaluating warm up structure, thinking more opportunities for activities prior to warm ups. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Maybe do a 3-3 tournament to start things up.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Will be reviewing spring hockey opportunities going forward with departure of Jay Boxer, will be trying to create more opportunities for all.</li> <li>• More ideas to grow the game.</li> </ul>
<p>Agenda Topics</p>	<p>Nick G.</p>	<p><b><u>Fundraising – Chair – Dove M.</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Braided Bread Raised \$864.</li> <li>• <u>Blizzard Ticket Promotion</u></li> <li>• <u>Jersey Sale Fundraiser</u> – Kelly is calculating total for that. – about \$4,600 so far, will use money for that to go toward next season registration or to offset jersey expense.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Golf Outing</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lead – Sarah Golden</li> <li>• Friday July 10<sup>th</sup> – Mid Vallee – starting to contact sponsorships.</li> <li>• Registration is open – invite people to go out and golf.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>April Board Elections</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Google Forms Doc ready to go</li> <li>• 8 positions open – Kelly Losey is resigning (aging out), Dove is aging out as well, Jessie Pondell will not be rerunning.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Draft / Review Volunteer List</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Roles / Tasks</li> <li>• Get a running list of volunteer opportunities to give members opportunity to sign up for what they might like to help with to earn their volunteer hours.</li> <li>• Have some more opportunities of things people can do during the week to help out not just working tournaments. (Have been receiving feedback that people want to help just don't know what there is out there that they can do other than sign up to work actual shifts.</li> </ul>

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Future Topics	Nick G.	Future: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GBAYHA Goalies Discussion</li> <li>• Fees - Reducing Practices</li> </ul>
Treasurer’s Report	Tori	Concession stand kickback: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aug. - \$15.69</li> <li>• Sept. – \$287.22</li> <li>• Oct. - \$230.20</li> <li>• Nov. - \$1,262.12</li> <li>• Dec. - \$1,583.94</li> <li>• Jan. - \$2,699.48</li> </ul>
Closed Session	Nick G.	Nothing at this time.
Motion to Adjourn		Motion to adjourn at 9:04PM 1st: Jessica Kimps 2nd: Kelly Losey All in favor, none opposed

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NEXT BOARD MEETING – TUESDAY – April 14, 2026– 7PM



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Committees/Positions	2025-26 Leader Name(s)	Additional Comments
<b>Hockey Operations / Coaching Committee</b>		
Hockey Director	Joey Gerarden	
<b>Fundraising - Chair – Dove McDowell</b>		
GBAYHA Fundraising	Dove McDowell / Kelly Losey	
Tournament Raffle Coordinator	Amanda Aplin	Need 1 more person
Scripts Coordinator	Melissa Phillips	
Calendar Raffle	Mandi Thiel	Need 1 more person
50/50 Gambler game	Amanda Aplin	
Apparel	Nicole Smith	
<b>Registrars / WAHA Compliance – Chair – Natalie Mitchell</b>		
Registrar	Amanda- Finance Natalie Mitchell- all other things	
Safety Coordinator	Natalie Mitchell	
Cultural Education Liaison	Natalie Mitchell	
Conduct Committee	Megan (Chair) Steve Linssen	
<b>Growth Committee – Chair - Nathan Conoley</b>		
Youth Girls Growth Liaison	Jessie Pondell	
Youth Boys Growth Liaison	Nathan Conoley	
Cultural Growth	Jessie Pondell, Nathan Conoley, Natalie Mitchell	
Try Hockey for Free Coordinator	Nathan Conoley	
8U Mites Liaison	Lizzy Ariens	
<b>Volunteer Hours Coordinator – Chair – Joni Gegare</b>		
Volunteer Hours / Credits	8U - Abbie Gazella 10U – 14U– Joni Gegare / Jessica Mercheck	
<b>GBAYHA Positions – Chair – Kelly Losey</b>		
Manager & Locker Room Coordinator	Kelly Losey / Robin	
Goalie Liaison	Mike Dahleen	
Goalie Equipment	Jeremiah Muenhow	
Equipment/Jerseys	Amber Baugnet / Kelly Losey	
Tournament Coordinator	Kevin Leigang	